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NEW WARREN WEBSITE

Its Here!! The new Town website is up and running with many wonderful features Each department has their own page: you can sign up for notifications, alerts, activities, or events—your choice.

The Help Center will direct you to a few local websites, such as the VNA Northwest, Warren Volunteer Fire Company, State Police, CT DEEP to mention a few.

We are currently working on a Town Business Directory. If you would like more information on how to list your business on the website, contact Joanne at 860-868-7881 x101 during regular town business hours.



Come Check Us Out at www.warrenct.org

From the Office of the Selectmen

We have been very busy over the past few months.

The purchasing of two AEDs, a grant for another and the number of certified CPR/AED residents (nonfirst responders) in town has made it possible to become a Heart Safe Community. AED's are located at the Town Hall, Warren Town Beach and the last will float between the Community Center and Warren Woods. In the coming months, we will be replacing the roof on the Town Garage, which is in need of repair.

Volunteers are always needed for different committees and boards. This is a great way to get involved with the Town and sometimes to meet new neighbors. Contact the office if you have an interest in joining one of our boards or committees.



Wednesday, October 21st from 11:30am— 12:30pm.

Blood Pressure Clinics are hosted at the Town Hall on the first Tuesday of each month.

Look for more information on our website in the coming days for both services.

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Special points of interest:

- New Warren Website
- Fall and Holiday Activities
- Energy Assistance
- Fall Festival
- Voter Registration
- Warren Historical, Land, & Library News

Public Works/Highway Department

The Warren Town crew has been busy this year. Their major project has been replacing all of the cross pipes and drainage on Rabbit Hill Rd. from Tanner Hill to Route 341. This section of road was then repaved.

They are in the process of replacing the cross pipes on Reed Rd. as they get ready for next year's paving. The Council of Governments will be housing a road sweeper at our garage. We will be first on the schedule to use the equipment and receive it at a discounted price compared to other towns. The garage also houses a light tower and a portable electric sign for Home Land Security. Both items are available for Town use.

Warren Volunteer Fire Company

Saturday & Sunday October 10th & 11th,

10 AM to 5 PM | Rain or Shine

WARREN WOODS 255 Brick School Road

Adults \$5 | 2 Day Pass \$8 Children Under 8 FREE!

Rt. 45 or Rt. 341 into Warren & follow Fall Festival signs to Brick School Road

Garden Tractor Pull (Saturday) Antique Tractor Pull (Sunday) Country Crafts | Vendors | Magic Show Children's Activities | Crafter's Hall Fire Truck Rides | Chain Saw Carving Blacksmith Demos | Rummage Sale WAMOGO Ag Ed Programs | Petting Zoo Pumpkin Cannon | WAMOGO Timber Team

500' ZIP LINE & GIANT SWING

--LIVE MUSIC 11:00am – 3:00pm --SAT. - Hollister Thompson Band SUN. – The Regulators

WVFC'S FAMOUS OPEN-PIT ROAST BEEF COUNTRY STORE | HOMEMADE APPLE PIES BAKED GOODS | SOUPS | COOKIES CIDER | CHEDDAR BY THE POUND

Presented by and Benefitting the WARREN VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY



From the Desk of the Fire Chief, Robert Newton

As with most smaller communities, the services required to keep all systems running fall on fewer and fewer people. The same is true when it comes to volunteer organizations. The Warren Volunteer Fire Company is very dependent on people, who volunteer their time, to do the best they can to help their neighbors out in times of trouble. At this time, your Fire Company needs more hearty and helpful people, who will make themselves available in times of need.

If you are interested in finding out more, please give the Fire Company a call or leave a message at 860 868 2328 and we will get back to you.

Recreation Activities and Town Events

We've had a great summer of activities with an exciting response from the community. Our excitement has included trips to Yankee Stadium, Bronx Zoo, Ellis Island, Citi Field; paddle board and kayaking clinics with over 70 people participating; an increased usage of the Warren Town Beach; swim lessons; senior picnic with our friends from Morris; senior trips to Sheffield Island and Hartford Belle Cruise; a quality Acorn camp program for children; our ever growing Summer Concert Series and a successful Town Wide Tag Sale. We look forward to the upcoming FALL events that are outlined in this newsletter

As always, if you have an idea or comment about a program, please call the office at 860-868-7881 ext. 113 or email at <u>parkrecdirector@warrenct.org</u> Office hours are on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Additional information about our programs can be found on the town website at <u>www.warrenct.org</u>

To register for our trips, please use the generic registration/emergency release form on the town website.

For updated Town Information ...please click on the Facebook icon to find the Town of Warren Facebook page.





Saturday Sept. 19th Angevine Farm 3:30 - 6:30 pm

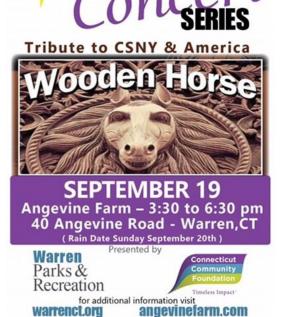
Our Summer Concert Series 2015 ends with a "<u>Concert on the</u> <u>Hill"</u> at <u>Angevine Farm</u> Saturday, September 19th, 3:30-6:30 pm.

Wooden Horse, a Crosby, Stills, Nash, Young and America tribute band will perform at Angevine Farm, 40 Angevine Road, Warren, on top of the mountainside overlooking the valley. This is a **FREE** community event sponsored by The Warren Parks and Recreation Department and the Connecticut Community Foundation,

Wooden Horse was founded in 2012 by Kurt Volland and Guy LaPointe, along with a talented collection of musicians from some of the area's top bands, such as kGb, Better Than Radio, and the 1800 Band. The "project" grew out of the desire of these musicians to take on the challenge of recreating the intricate vocal harmonies and musicianship of the groups: Crosby Still & Nash and America. This band has been formulated to perform in "concert-type" settings at festivals, fairs, and theatres.

Invite all your friends and family and enjoy a beautiful fall day in the country. The Angevine Farm Pumpkin Patch and Harvest Barn will be open 10:00 am - 5:00 pm, so plan an afternoon at the farm. Stop in the Harvest Barn for local Kettle Corn, honey, maple syrup and fall décor. Bring your blanket, chairs, picnic dinner and your camera; you'll be sure to make a memory. The area is host to many wonderful restaurants, so plan your evening accordingly.

For more information, visit our website at <u>www.warrenct.org</u> or <u>www.angevinefarm.com</u> Or call Warren Parks and Recreation office at 860-868-7881. ext.113





Picnic at the Morris Town Beach Pavilion

Thursday September 24

Events include a delicious lunch, sweet dessert, prizes, Live entertainment by Pierce Campbell (from the Kerry Boys) and a raffle all while enjoying our friends from Morris and beautiful Bantam Lake. Remember we hosted the Morris group on June 11th and had a great turnout. Please call the Park and Recreation office as soon as possible since we must order in advance of the date. COST \$10.00 per person



Wednesday October 14

<u>Connecticut Recovery Resource Authority</u> Lunch at East Side Restaurant in New Britain for Oktoberfest

Visitors to the CRRA Trash Museum, located at 211 Murphy Road in Hartford's South Meadows, may tour the 6,500 square feet of educational exhibits beginning at the Temple of Trash. Learn about the problems of old-fashioned methods of disposal, such as the "town dump." From problems, the tour moves to solutions, including explanations of source reduction, recycling, trash-to-energy and landfills.

You can also see our new group of exhibits explaining the link between recycling and energy conservation and a series of works on climate change created by University of Hartford students.

During the tour, watch our new single-stream recycling facility in operation. From the mezzanine viewing area -- and on our closed-circuit television system -- visitors can follow newspapers, cardboard, junk mail, bottles, cans and plastic containers from the tipping floor, through CRRA's state-of-the-art single-stream processing equipment and see them crushed or baled. Prepared recyclables are then shipped to



markets and made into new products.

Back in the museum, a mural by Higganum artist Ted Esselstyne depicts the history of trash management from pre-historic times to today. You can also see the amount of trash one person made in an entire year at Sustainable Dave's exhibit.

Lunch at East Side Restaurant

Enjoy a taste of Old World style restaurant specializing in German, food, beer and culture. It's like traveling to Germany - NO PASSPORT required

Cost for admission to Museum, lunch at East Side Restaurant and bus is \$26.00



Saturday October 17th

5K Cider Run at Warren Woods

The 7th Annual Cider Run presented by the Warren Parks and Recreation Department benefits the Warren Parks and Recreation Scholarship at the Connecticut Community Foundation. The race starts at 10:00 am with the KIDS Fun Run starting at 9:45 am.

Lady Katherine Cruise Thursday October 29th

What sounds more wonderful than enjoying a Fall Foliage cruise down the Connecticut River while savoring an amazing buffet and delightful live entertainment?! Nothing, I know! Please join us onboard the "Lady Katharine" where we'll do just that surrounded by our friends from Morris. What a spectacular way to spend an Autumn afternoon!



The Northwest Transit bus will at 9:30 am from the Warren Community Center. COST \$50.00 all inclusive!



Sunday November 1st Wicked on Broadway

Our first trip to The City this season will be on Broadway! Off to <u>The Gershwin</u> <u>Theater</u> for the amazing production of *WICKED*. If you are a Wizard of Oz fan, then this is the play for you! The untold story of the Witches of Oz is a musical based on the 1995 novel <u>Wicked</u>: <u>The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the</u> <u>West</u>, an alternative telling of the witches from the 1939 film *The Wizard of Oz*. We'll be attending a Matinee performance.

Motor Coach transportation, driver gratuity, and ticket to show \$118.00

Motor Coach transportation, driver gratuity \$38.00

Tuesday November 10th

Tanger Outlets at Foxwoods

Enjoy the day at the new Tanger Outlets location.

Northwest Transit Bus leaves the Community Center at 8:00 am

COST \$5.00 per person

More information about the outlets, please contact Don at 860-868-7881 x 113.





Warren Parks & Recreation Fall Fitness Classes

Mondays Core Strength Training 7:00 - 8:00 pm with Shannon Wednesdays Boot Camp 7:00 - 8:00 pm with Carla Saturdays Boot Camp - Muscle Conditioning 7:30-8:30 am with Carla

Warren Parks & Recreation Yoga Classes

Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:15 pm at Warren Woods with Ann Marie

Once weather changes classes will be at the Community Center from 5:45 - 7:00 pm

More information please call Ann Marie at 203-278-2148 _





Warren Parks & Recreation <u>Karate Classes</u> Fridays at Warren School

Program is run by Frannie Caco from USA MARTIAL ARTS... Friday night classes start at 6:30 PM for ages 7-12 and 13-70; 10 week session; Tuition is \$70 each and \$50 for family add-ons (\$10 additional for weapons class at 7:30 PM) Checks to Martial Arts. All classes at Warren School

Friday classes at 5:45 pm for Little Ninja (ages 3 & 4) and for Kid Kicks Class (age 5 & 6).

Contact Frannie Caco at 860-868-5031 or email caco06777@yahoo.com



Tuesday December 1st

XMAS Tree Shop in Orange

Join us for our favorite bargain haunt at the Christmas Tree Shop in Orange, CT. Keeping all your holiday needs in mind and you just might find many treasurers.

After shopping we will go to lunch at the Cracker Barrel Restaurant then a visit to the bakery outlets.

Northwest Transit Bus will leave from the Community Center at 8:30 am

COST is \$5.00

Wednesday December 9th - RADIO CITY

Bus trip into New York City......chartered coach bus will leave the Community Center parking lot at 8:00 AM. Enjoy the day in the city by shopping, going to your favorite restaurant, see the TREE, the window displays or go to the show at Radio City. The bus will depart New York at 6:00 PM.

Tickets for the bus only are \$38.00 per person.

Tickets for Radio City Music Christmas Spectacular are an additional \$50.00 per person. (Total for bus & show is \$88.00 per person) This is for the 2:00 PM show. Make this a special gift for Christmas and enjoy the day!

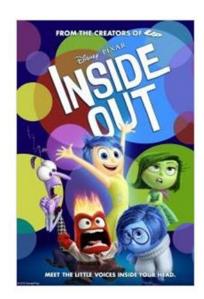
Saturday Night at the MOVIES

Our movie series will continue this Fall.

Please check town website starting September 23rd for movie listings, dates and times







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Special Events Open to All at the Parish Hall, 4 Sackett Hill Rd



Sundaes on Friday Friday, September 18

Empty Bowl Dinner Saturday, November 7

Silver Tea Event Saturday, November 21



From the Office of Social Services



Energy Assistance

Warren Social Services has begun making appointments for the State of Connecticut Energy Assistance Program. This is a winter heating program that has specific income and asset guidelines. Heat sources include electric, propane, oil, wood, wood pellets, and

kerosene. To get further information or to make an appointment, contact Warren Social Services 860-868-7881 ext. 114.

Gross income guidelines are as follows:

Gross Income Under*	Household Size
 \$32,514.56	1
\$42,519.04	2
\$52,523.52	3
\$62,528.00	4
\$72,532.48	5

*based on FPG currently available; updated guidelines available after September 30, 2015 (per CT DSS website).

Medicare Part D Enrollment

Western CT Area Agency on Aging will be at Kent Town Hall on October 28th to help area residents review and/or enroll in a new Part D plan. Please take advantage of this opportunity and make sure that your current plan continues to meet your prescription medication needs. **Preregistration is required. To make an appointment, call Kent Social Services, 860-927-1586.**

Warren's Santa Fund and Holiday Food Program Needs Volunteers



In previous years, Warren utilized several outside organizations to assist in providing holiday food and gifts for local families in need. This year, under the guidance of Warren Social Services, a Santa Fund and Holiday Food Program is being established. Santa Fund will provide December Holiday gifts and wrapping supplies for local families in need. The Holiday Food Program provides the makings of Thanksgiving and December Holiday Food. Volunteers are needed to assist with organization and/or sponsorship. Anyone interested in joining this effort, please contact Warren Social Services as soon as possible 860-868-7881 ext. 114 or socialservices@warrenct.org The Warren Historical Society's mission is to discover, celebrate and preserve Warren's history through its collections, programs and exhibits.

The Warren Historical Society kicked off the summer season with an Open House on May 22nd, the Friday evening of Memorial Day weekend. A record turnout was on hand to celebrate the opening of our museum space in the Community Center and view our display of "Warren's History in 10 Items." We enjoyed welcoming friends and supporters old and new to share wine, hors d'oeuvres, and conversation in commemoration of the long-awaited move to our new home.

On July 4th we continued the tradition of bell-ringing to herald Independence Day, a practice begun by John Adams and promoted by Eric Sloane. Spirits were not dampened by the wet weather as a young history buff in period costume read the preamble to the Declaration of Independence. Participants "let freedom ring" and then enjoyed refreshments back at the Community Center.

What's coming up at the Warren Historical Society?

Fall Display at Town Hall: Collection Highlights, Part I Stop by the new WHS display case in Town Hall to see highlights from the collection. The current installation features items from Warren's homesteading days, the town's participation in the Civil War, and the Wichita Grange.

WHS at Warren Fall Festival, October 10-11 Visit our booth at the Warren Fall Festival! Postcards featuring our "historic Warren" photo contest winner will be available, as well as WHS merchandise, a book and map of local historic homes, and our ever-popular "what is this historic object?" guessing game and prize drawing.

WHS Annual Meeting (Program: The Warren General Store), October 25th, 2pm This year's program features the Warren General Store. A panel will share stories, and photos and memorabilia will be on display. We welcome additional participants or items to exhibit during the program! Please contact Ellen Paul at <u>warrenhistorian@hotmail.com</u>. The program will be followed by refreshments, and an annual report and overview of our plans for the coming year.

The Warren Historical Society has many exciting projects underway. There are volunteer opportunities in oral history, specific research projects and program development. Interested? Email us at <u>warrenhistorian@hotmail.com</u>. And don't forget to "like" us on Facebook.

Emergency Preparedness

Many people are concerned about the possibility of a public health emergency such as a natural disaster, act of terrorism, or disease outbreak. You can take steps now to help you prepare for an emergency and cope if an emergency happens. To help you prepare, we've provided step-by-step actions you can take beforehand to protect yourself and your loved ones.

To find out more on how to prepare, please visit http://emergency.cdc.gov/preparedness/index.asp for more information



THE WARREN PUBLIC LIBRARY. INC.

News from the Warren Public Library

With the kids back in school everyone has more time to read. Come and see the great selection of books we have for fun reading for everyone. Curious about what your kids liked reading over the summer? Read one of their books. Then talk about it...one of the best ways to encourage your kids to read.

We had a great summer of reading this year. So far over 14,000 minutes of reading over 200 books. A great start for Warren children's reading

challenge.

Come and look into your family ancestry on September 29th at 5:30. Learn how to

unlock the history of your family name and heritage. Sheila A. Lafferty from the University of Connecticut will offer an introductory class in Genealogy. This is an initial class to learn how to start your search. Then learn about all the resources available – from off line, from the internet and from Connecticut libraries which will provide clues and information about your family origins.

Ebooks and Newsbank are always available on line on the library website. Newsbank has upgraded their search methods – more news than ever is available. This includes the Waterbury Republican available every day, on line, free through the library.

Or, just stop by for a cup of coffee.







The Warren Land Trust is an advocacy group dedicated to the preservation of the rural character of Warren. Our mission is to preserve farmland, open space, natural and endangered resources such as wetlands, forests and wildlife habitats, to encourage outright gifting of land for permanent protection and the use of conservation easements to preserve open space.

We at the WLT think that our town's fields and forests are beautiful in any season, but summer and fall are especially ideal times to enjoy the great outdoors in Warren. Just as summer was getting underway we celebrated CT Trails Weekend with a guided hike along a newly blazed portion of the Mattatuck Trail, heading toward the Upper Shepaug Reservoir. On June 6th, hikers from Warren and beyond joined board member and orienteering expert Dave Schneiderbeck in the scenic four-mile woodland walk.

Many of our members are avid hikers, but others enjoy the scenery while moving at a faster pace. Local runners, join us this fall as we partner with Warren Parks & Rec in the 7th annual **Cider Run 5K** on **October 17th** at 10am at Warren Woods. Further information is available elsewhere in this newsletter; you can also consult our website or email Bill Mansfield at <u>in-fo@warrenlandtrust.org</u>. It's a pretty – and pretty speedy – course, with prizes for fastest finishers, and cider and donuts for all. Walkers are welcome, and there will be a kids' fun run at 9:45. This event is organized in conjunction with NW CT Land Trust Days. Check the CT Land Conservation Council's website - ctconservation.org – soon for additional listings.

Prior to the Cider Run, you can find us at the **Warren Fall Festival**, at Warren Woods on **October 10-11**. Stop by our booth to learn more about our mission, properties, and programming. Pick up one of our t-shirts, hats, or new "WLT" oval bumper stickers. And enter your name in our drawing; you could win an Angevine Farm Christmas tree, a gift certificate to LL Bean, or other terrific prizes.

Our **Annual Meeting** will be held on Saturday, **November 21st** at 9am at the Academy on Sackett Hill Road. We will discuss the past year's activities in land acquisition and stewardship; finances; outreach and programming; and governance, and will provide a look ahead at our plans for 2016. Coffee and breakfast treats will be available.

The Warren Land Trust is always looking for volunteers, and there are many ways to get involved. We are happy to help you find an option that matches your schedule and your talents. To find out more about volunteer opportunities, to be added to our email list, or with general questions, contact Rebecca Neary at info@warrenlandtrust.org.

Registrar of Voters

The Registrar of Voters would like all residents to keep a few dates in mind for the up-coming election. Saturday October 17, 2015 New Voter Registration from 10am—2pm in the Town Hall, Office of the Registrar

TuesdayOctober 27, 2015New Voter Registration from 9am—8pm in the Town Hall, Office of the RegistrarTuesdayNovember 3, 2015ELECTION DAY6am—8pmWarren Town Hall



The Veteran's Memorial Committee was formed in the summer of 2013 and charged with finding a way to honor our veterans: past, present and future. The main area of concern is having a proper Memorial Day Event where traffic would not interfere with us honoring our Veterans. This lead to a Town Meeting where it was voted on by residents to move and design a new memorial on Cemetery Road.

During the past 2 years many residents and businesses have offered to help. Nathalie Brodhead designed a beautiful memorial to build, Arbor Services has taken down a tree that was rotting, Jerry Frisbie is surveying the area, Jack Travers is our project manager and by these wonderful friends and neighbors donating their time and in some cases their equipment, the memorial is starting to take shape. With the fundraising funds and donations received, we have purchased materials for the first phase—Flag poles, flags and lights. With your help and support, they will be installed in the next couple of months.

Speaking of **Fundraising**! If anyone has ever been tasked with fundraising for an event, you know this is very difficult to do. You want to be inventive so it's not the same event or product everyone else seems to do. Sometimes it's successful and other times it doesn't work out so well. We have held a Wine Tasting at Hopkins Vineyard, a Roast Beef Dinner at the Warren Congregational Church Parish Hall, attended the Kent sidewalk sale at Jim and Karen Shaw's antique store and hosted a clam bake. Once again our friends and neighbors donated time, supplies and venues to make these events successful—Hopkins Vineyard, Crystal Rock, Warren Spirit Shop, Bantam/Northville Markets, Pepsi, Bj's Wholesale and Fairview Farms Country Club.

We have two events coming up before the end of the year. We will be at the WVFC's Fall Festival on October 10th and 11th with information on the Memorial. We will have aprons and anytime wine tasting vouchers for sale. Stop by and check out the memorial design and purchase an apron for only \$20 as a Christmas gift for that chef in your family or a \$25 Anytime Wine Tasting voucher for that person who enjoys tasting different wines. Then we will be hosting a Roast Beef dinner at the Parish Hall on Saturday, November 14th from 4:30-7pm. Tickets will be sold at the door: \$15 for adults \$5 for children under the age of 10. It's a wonderful tasty dinner with potatoes, vegetables, salad and homemade desserts. Come Join Us for Dinner.

Once again, we would like to thank everyone who has purchased items and/ or attended our events in support of such a worthy cause. Without you and your love for your fellow neighbor, this Memorial would not be possible.



The Holiday Season is fast approaching and what a great gift to purchase for that special chef in your family. Our Denim Aprons have three pockets and adjustable ties to fit any size. Or maybe, you are the chef in the house and with all the holiday cooking you will be doing, wouldn't this versatile apron be a wonderful addition to your cooking items. The cost is \$20.00 per apron and will be on sale at the Fall Festival in October and again at the Roast Beef Dinner at the Warren Parish Hall on November 14th. And as always, you can stop by the Town Hall during regular business hours to make a purchase. Town of Warren 50 Cemetery Road Warren CT 06754

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We're on the Web www.warrenct.org



ANYTIME WINE TASTING

Do you like trying new wines? Purchase an **"Anytime Wine Tasting Card"** from the Veteran's Memorial Committee for Hopkins Vineyard and enjoy tasting seven award winning wines and receive a souvenir glass for just \$25.00. This is a wonderful way to enjoy some wonderful wines while helping build a very special memorial for your Warren neighbors and friends.

> Hopkins Vineyard 25 Hopkins Road New Preston CT 06777