

# TOWN OF WARREN

## SUMMER ISSUE



### *From the Office of the Selectman*

On May 19th, the Town held its semi-annual meeting. The residents voted unanimously to adopt the 2016-2017 budget. Our Board of Finance met after the meeting and voted to set the mill rate for the coming fiscal year at 14.35 mills. Elections were held for terms expiring on the Board of Education and the Lake Waramaug Authority. Congratulations to Douglas Winkle and Rebecca Holmes, respectively on their new volunteer positions.



Be on the look out for new garbage receptacles coming our way in June. Copes Waste Solutions will be mailing a letter to all residents introducing themselves and the new procedure for garbage and recycling pick up. Since they are an automated system, new receptacles will be delivered to all residents and they will start pickup in July.

Any questions, please contact the Selectman's office.

Eversource has contracted Lewis Tree Service to trim trees along North Shore Road, Lake Road, Curtiss Road, Mountain Lake Road and other adjoining roads this summer. Remember, the more they cut back from the wires the less chance of a tree or limb falling and taking out the power lines.



We are very proud to be the recipients of the 2016 Risk Management Achievement Award in the category of Sustained Risk Management Programs from the Connecticut Interlocal Risk Management Agency (CIRMA). We have not had a Liability-Auto-Property loss since 2003! In 2012, we earned the Substantial Impact of Loss Cost Factors Award by reducing Workman's Compensation claims through increased awareness and employee training. Congratulations to our staff and all our volunteers.

If you have spare time and would be willing to serve your town, please contact the Selectman's office as there are a few vacant positions on town boards and commissions. Just a little of your time can help.



**The Board of Selectmen and the Town Staff wish everyone a very safe, healthy and enjoyable summer.**

#### Special Points of Interest

- Senior Trips
- Bus Trips
- Fundraisers
- Concert Series

The Office of the Selectman is open Monday 9-3pm, Tuesday and Wednesday 9-4pm and Thursdays 9-1pm. The Selectmen meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 5pm, but check the Warren Website for agenda and times. The First Selectman's door is always open.

# *Affordable Housing Committee*

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Since the 1970's, the town of Warren and many of its residents have identified the need to create affordable housing options. Early on the focus was on the need for housing for the community's aged population. As the cost of housing increased in Litchfield County, so did the need for providing affordable opportunities for young adults and families.

Warren Affordable Housing was incorporated in 1990 and acquired 501 C (3) status in 1992. The members of this committee, hardworking and dedicated, spent many years working to bring a project to fruition with funding being an insurmountable barrier to this process. In the years that followed, members passed away and those that remained became discouraged.

In the fall of 2014, an informational meeting was held and a new invigorated committee was established comprised of former and new members. This determined group of town residents and friends of the Warren community are committed to providing affordable housing options within the town. Warren Affordable Housing Corporation meets at Warren Town Hall on the third Tuesday of each month.



All donations are tax deductible.

Warren Affordable Housing Corporation,  
50 Cemetery Road, Warren, CT 06754

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## *FROM THE TOWN CLERK*

### *June is Dog License Renewal Month!*



Pursuant to Sec. 22-338 of CT General Statutes all dogs over six months of age must be licensed.

A certificate showing current rabies vaccination must be provided if not already on file.

Remember, a dog license tag may well be your lost dog's ticket home!

# *Social Services Department*

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## **Charter Oak Pass – Life Use**

The Charter Oak Pass provides access to the State Parks and Forests at no cost to Connecticut residents, age 65 or older.

The pass is accepted at day use areas where a parking fee applies. Presenting the pass allows for free access to the vehicle and its passengers. The pass holder does not have to be the vehicle driver.

Free admittance also is provided for the pass holder when visiting Gillette Castle and Dinosaur or Fort Trumbull State Parks. Passes are non-transferable and are not valid for camping or special events.

To obtain a Charter Oak Pass by mail, send a legible copy of your current Connecticut driver's license or other proof of age and residency to: DEEP Charter Oak Pass, State Parks Division,  
79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106-5127.  
For more information, call 860-424-3200.

## **Memories @ the Matt: Gallery Tour and Lunch**

**Memories @ the Matt** is a collaboration between the Alzheimer's Association, Connecticut Chapter and the museum. The program stages of dementia and their caregivers, at no cost but you must preregister. Medical researchers have found that people with memory loss and early to moderate Alzheimer's disease, who are involved with looking at historical artifacts and discussing art as effective therapies, are experiencing positive results and a better quality of life.

To register contact, Carolyn DeRocco at [cderocco@alz.org](mailto:cderocco@alz.org) or (203) 623-5407. This collaboration with the Alzheimer's Association, Connecticut Chapter, is supported in part by the Connecticut Community Foundation.

When: Third Thursday each month, 10:00 AM through 12:00 PM

Location: Mattatuck Museum 144 West Main Street Waterbury, CT 06702



## **Parkinson's Disease Support Group**

This new support group is available to those with Parkinson's as well as those that care for them.

This group meets at the Kent Senior Center.

For further information, please contact Shirley Howe 860-927-1911.



# PARK AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

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## July is Parks and Recreation Month



This July the National Parks and Recreation Association is celebrating 31 years of Park and Recreation Month and the enduring importance of parks and recreation for the world.

From the start, parks were created to serve the people-to give them a place to appreciate nature, exercise, socialize and have fun.

This mission lives on and will continue to intensify into the future. This July, let's celebrate the past, present and future of parks and recreation!

Get involved in the Warren Community through our parks and recreation activities.

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## Warren Town Beach Parking Permits Summer 2016

NOW AVAILABLE at the Park and Recreation Office, Town Clerk's Office, and the Warren Town Beach

Please reference the application on the Town website

All payments must be in check form—NO Cash please



## Warren Town Beach Swim Lessons

Swim lessons start on Monday July 11th and run for two weeks, ending on Friday July 22th.

Lessons are 1 ½ hours in length.

Additional information about the program and to sign up, please call the Park and Recreation office at 860-868-7881 ext. 113

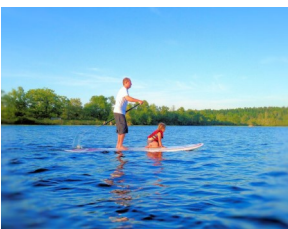
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## Paddleboard and Kayaking Clinic presented by Sportsmen's of Litchfield

June 18th 3 - 6 pm Warren Town Beach

Although there is no fee **you must register** so we know how many kayaks and paddleboards to have at the beach.

Please call Park and Recreation office at 860-868-7881 ext. 113 or email at [parkreccdirector@warrenct.org](mailto:parkreccdirector@warrenct.org)



## Summer Fitness Classes

### Being held at the Warren Community Center

For additional information contact the instructors at the following emails

Carla at [Carlahangevine@hotmail.com](mailto:Carlahangevine@hotmail.com)

Shannon at [sasharv61@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sasharv61@sbcglobal.net)



# PARK AND RECREATION ACTIVITIES

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## Summer Camp 2016

Acorn Camps summer camp for girls and boys between the ages of 4 and 15 is located in the beautiful Warren Woods. This year, we are offering SIX fun filled one-week sessions. The philosophy of this quality program is to provide a safe, challenging and fun camp experience for your children. Summer camp activities provide children with the opportunities and experiences to develop the necessary skills to face challenges, build character,



foster independence and try new things in a fun and safe environment. Our non-competitive, family environment provides a sense of security where kids can meet personal challenges and receive recognition for their achievements and participation.

**More information  
contact [www.acorncamps.com](http://www.acorncamps.com)**

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### KARATE

#### **Warren Parks & Recreation Karate Classes**

##### **Fridays at Warren School**



5:45pm Little Ninjas\* (3-4 year old) & Kid Kicks

(5-7 year old) \*little ninja bow out at 6:15

6:30pm Junior/Adult (7 years and above)

7:35pm Weapons &/or Advanced Forms (alternating weekly)

Contact Frannie Caco at 860-868-5031 or email  
[caco06777@yahoo.com](mailto:caco06777@yahoo.com)



It's that time of year again...Litchfield County 4-H will be sponsoring their annual summer programs! Over four weeks, the Litchfield County 4-H Interns will visit with a hands-on, educational, and always fun program! Check back for Summer 2016's theme soon but in the meantime please plan to join Litchfield County 4-H this summer on Tuesdays starting July 5<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup> at 4:00pm. We will be alternating locations between Warren Woods and the Morris Town Beach. For more information about this program or to register for this program, contact Warren Park and Recreation.

If you would like more information regarding 4-H, please contact them at 860.626.6240 or find them on Facebook at "Litchfield County 4-H".

# PARK AND RECREATION BUS EXCURSIONS



## *The Oldest Ball Park in America*

**Saturday July 9, 2016 – 4:05 game time**

Calling all Boston Red Sox fans! We're headed to Fenway Park in Boston to see the Sox take on the Tampa Bay Rays. Be sure to visit Autograph Alley to obtain an autograph from a former player or coach! We'll enjoy free time prior to the game at Faneuil Hall Marketplace.



**COST: \$95.00 per person** includes seating in Section 4 Rows 1 – 4, motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, bus parking and snacks.



## *NYC, Italian Style*

**Saturday, August 13, 2016**

A step-on guide will tell us all we need to know about Brooklyn – landmarks, classic neighborhoods, movie sites, celebrity connections and more! We'll enjoy pizza at two of Brooklyn's finest establishments and free time in Little Italy in the Bronx!



**cost: \$75.00 per person** includes motor coach transportation, guided tour, two slice of pizza and fountain drink at two Brooklyn locations, and driver gratuity

## *National 9/11 Memorial and Museum*

**Sunday, September 18, 2016**



A tribute of remembrance and honor to those lost in the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. Combined with an option to visit One World Observatory (additional fee) located on the 102<sup>nd</sup> floor of One World Trade Center – the tallest building in the Western Hemisphere –  
*There are a million things to do in this City, but this is the one in a million.*  
Brookfield Place is close by with plentiful food options.

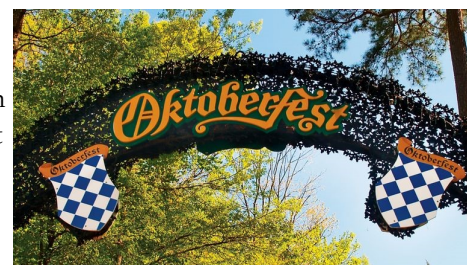
**COST: \$66.00 per person** includes admission to the Museum, motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, snacks.

## *Oktoberfest at Hunter Mountain in the Catskills*

**Sunday, October 16, 2016**

Traditional and non-traditional German food vendors galore in addition to live German – American entertainment, wine tastings (nominal additional fee) and a farmer's market – surrounded by the lush fall foliage of the Catskills. A perfect October day!

**COST: \$42.00** includes motor coach transportation, driver gratuity and snacks.



## *The Lion King*

**Sunday, November 6, 2016 1:00pm performance**

To quote the New York Times: ***"There is simply nothing else like it."***  
We'll enjoy a matinee performance of this the 3<sup>rd</sup> longest running Broadway show in history along with some free time in New York City.

Mezzanine seating

Tickets: \$160.00 per person includes admission to the performance, motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, snacks

# PARK AND RECREATION BUS EXCURSIONS

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## **Radio City Christmas Spectacular Wednesday December 7, 2016**

What better way to get into the Holiday spirit than with The Rockettes! Enjoy some free time in the Greatest City on Earth – holiday shopping, visit to “The Tree”, window displays...along with a matinee performance of *Christmas Spectacular* at Radio City.

\$88.00 per person includes admission to the performance, motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, snacks

\$42.00 per person includes motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, snacks

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## **Elizabeth Park Rose Garden**

**Tuesday June 14**

Opened to the public in 1897, Elizabeth Park was born of the American Park Movement. Elizabeth Park is the botanical gem of the Hartford park system. It is 101 acres in size, with 82 acres in West Hartford and 19 acres in Hartford. Because of its garden, it has been called the “Flower of New England Parks.” The rose garden is the heart and soul of the park and is the first public rose garden in the country, opened in 1904. Elizabeth Park is listed on the National Register of Historical Places.

After our visit we will have lunch at a local restaurant.

Depart Warren Community Center at 9:00 am

Cost \$5.00 for transportation



## **Port Jefferson, NY**

**Tuesday, June 28, 2016**

The Bridgeport & Port Jefferson  
Steamboat Company



### **This is set to be one of your favorite trips yet!**

Join us as we climb aboard the Port Jeff Ferry to enjoy a beautiful trip across the Long Island Sound and spend the afternoon in the lovely seaside village town of Port Jefferson, New York!

This trip will be **"do as you please"** style trip. You will have ample time to enjoy the beautiful shoreline, quaint shops and delightful restaurants all through the main thoroughfare in Port Jefferson. There will be much walking involved.

There are many types of restaurants to choose from for your "lunching" pleasure including Mexican, Italian and of course, seafood restaurants. Shops in the village will tickle almost any fancy that you have, including an art store, whimsical apparel shop, shoes, handmade cigars and even a kite shop! Be sure to leave enough time to simply sit and relax by the water or to "people watch" on the pier!

Our mini bus leaves from the Warren Community Center 8:30 am. It will be a longer day than usual for us. You might like to pack a water bottle and possibly a snack or two for yourself to enjoy during our journey!

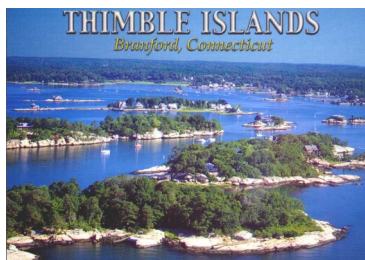
There is a snack bar and a "Steamboat Lounge" available aboard the Bridgeport & Port Jefferson Steamboat Company.

Payment is absolutely required IN FULL immediately upon sign up for this adventure.

Our space is limited, so please don't delay! **\$20.00 per person**

# PARK AND RECREATION BUS EXCURSIONS

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## Thimble Islands

Join us for an exciting cruise through the historic Thimble Islands, located off the coast of Branford, Connecticut. We'll travel aboard the ***Sea Mist***, cruising around 25 inhabited islands. The Thimbles were first discovered in 1614 by Adrian Block, who also discovered Block Island. These unique islands were used for everything from farming, quarrying famous pink granite, bootlegging and hiding Captain Kidd's treasure!

The *Sea Mist* is a 44' Carman Boat of Chesapeake Design. It is designed with large windows and comfortable seating for sightseeing, along with two observation decks. This is a special trip that we all enjoy year after year! The islands are so beautiful. It is a very relaxing and entertaining cruise through the islands. So fun to see how the "other half" lives! We'll enjoy a delicious lunch at an area restaurant to top off a truly delightful day! Please join us!

**Monday August 22, 2016    Please reference information on Town website**

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## Hammonasset Beach State Park

If the ocean is calling your name, then we have just the trip for you! Now that the Summer rush is gone, it's OUR turn to visit the wonderful Connecticut shoreline!



We'll start by having a delicious seafood dinner at Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale Restaurant in Westbrook. This shoreline institution has been serving delicious and fresh seafood to its hungry patrons since 1979! Lobster roll anyone? (No worries—plenty of options for your Land Lubbers, as well!)

After our bellies are satisfied, we'll travel just down the road to Connecticut's largest shoreline park—Hammonasset Beach State Park—offering over two miles of beach to enjoy swimming, strolling, or just relaxing in the sand and surf. Please feel free to bring along a blanket or beach chair, or if you're REALLY brave—your bathing suit!

Fingers crossed for a sunny day!

**Tuesday, September 13, 2016    9:00 am departure from the Community Center    \$5.00 per person**

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## Cross Sound Ferry Lighthouse Cruises

**Tuesday July 19<sup>th</sup>**

Introducing more sights and more lighthouses on Cross Sound Lighthouse Cruises. The route gives you unprecedented views of offshore lighthouses. The cruise is narrated by a local expert who will fill you in on the history and lore of each sight aboard our comfortable, climate-controlled SEA JET. Our Classic Cruise zips you between 9 lighthouses and historical sites along the Thames River, Long Island Sound and Gardiners Bay. The comfortable high-speed SEA JET is a smooth-sailing wave-piercing catamaran capable of cruising at speeds in excess of 30 knots (35 mph). The SeaJet is equipped with modern airline-style seating on two enclosed air-conditioned passenger decks with spacious outdoor deck for viewing the scenery as you listen to an expert narrator. Snacks and beverages are available on board.

Depart from Warren  
Community Center at 7:45 am



Cost: \$28.00 transportation  
and sea jet ticket

## PARK AND RECREATION & TOWN WIDE ACTIVITIES

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The Warren Congregational Church is teaming up with the Park and Recreation Department to bring you our Annual Chicken BBQ on August 30th at Warren Woods.

Enjoy a tasty chicken dinner while you listen to the fabulous sounds of the

***Truck Stop Troubadours.***

Purchase your 1/2 of Chicken dinner for \$15.00 per adult and sit and listen to the music .

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### SUNDAES ON FRIDAYS

Join us this summer in the Fellowship Hall for “Sundaes on Fridays”. Every third Friday in June, July and August from 6:30 pm until 8:30 pm we will be providing all the ice cream, condiments and root beer for you to make your own delicious Ice Cream Sundaes or Root Beer Floats. We invite you to come and stay for a while, bring board games or musical instruments to add to the fun. Dates are as follows: 6/17, 7/15, 8/19 [warrencongregationalchurch.org](http://warrencongregationalchurch.org)

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### VACTION BIBLE SCHOOL—WARREN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

This summer on Friday and Saturday evenings, July 22 & July 23 Warren Congregational will be sponsoring a weekend VBS, “PETS UNLEASHED” Where Jesus cares “Fur” you! Kids pre-school – sixth grade will meet with the VBS crew at the church from 5:45 PM to 8:15 PM. There will be lots of fun learning, a community project and great music . Kids and parents will be invited to a 20 min. Sunday celebration during our morning worship service. We will be on the lookout for adult and teenage volunteers to help prepare and lead the fun activities. [warrencongregationalchurch.org](http://warrencongregationalchurch.org)



### Town Wide Tag Sale

### Saturday September 3rd



After last year's success how can we not have our 2nd Annual Tag Sale!

"Start gathering items that you want to sell."

\$12.00 per household includes 2 tag sale signs, advertising and location map

9:00 - 3:00 pm

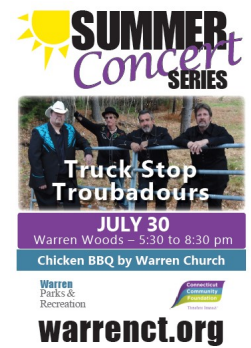
Additional information can be found on town website, call Mindy at 860-868-0589 or the Park and Recreation office.



**First Concert of the Season!**  
**Coyote River Band**  
**Saturday, July 16th 5:30 – 8:30 pm at Warren Woods**  
**Please put this on your calendar.**

**Free event, beautiful location, wonderful music and “good eats for sale”.**

Warren Parks and Recreation is pleased to announce our Third Annual Summer Concert Series. We are having two new groups and two returning groups for your entertainment. It is very special how the town continues to embrace the Saturday evening concerts. We again invite the community and their family and friends to join us at this year's concerts. All concerts are on Saturday evening from 5:30 – 8:30 pm at Warren Woods, except for the last concert of the summer, which is at Angevine Farm from 4:30 – 6:45 pm.



Food will be available for sale this year at the concerts, so just show up, enjoy the concert and don't worry about what's for dinner! The Veterans Memorial Committee will provide food at the July 16th and August 13th concerts. The Warren Church, on July 30th will have their Annual Chicken BBQ.

Besides the addition of food to the concerts, the Warren Historical Society and the Warren Land Trust are collaborating on a Scavenger Hunt with the final stop at Warren Woods on August 13th. We are all very pleased with the other activities being added to the concert. These additions truly show the community coming together to enjoy one another's fellowship. Warren Woods has become the town's backyard for the Summer Concert Series.

Our concerts are presented by the Warren Parks and Recreation Department and partially funded by a grant from the Connecticut Community Foundation. Although all concerts are free, donations will be accepted and go to fund future concerts.

**Truck Stop Troubadours and TimeRider, two very popular groups are returning.**

**Truck Stop Troubadours -**

Performing in a retro country style pulling influences from "Sun Records" and the legendary "Bakersfield Sound" covering classics by legends like Johnny Cash, Hank Williams, Merle Haggard, Willie Nelson, Waylon Jennings, Dwight Yokam, Chuck Berry, Elvis, and Del Shannon to name a few. Their outspoken outlaw attitude is in direct correlation to the slickly produced records coming out of Nashville that have made them "The Thorn" in the side of Modern Country Radio. Their live performance is fresh, full of swagger with an edge. Truck Stop Troubadours are a tried and true "Genuine Country Band" accept no substitutes for the real deal

**Timerider –**

John Camp is the producer, band leader, and manager of Timerider. As a veteran professional keyboard player, John has a proven track record in a wide variety of musical situations and formats. He is an accomplished musician who entertains the crowd with an abundance of styles including rock and roll, swing, blues, country, pop, standards, boogie woogie, jazz, etc.... John has performed professionally for over 35 years, and has worked with many top name entertainers such as Steppenwolf, The Guess Who, and Marshall Tucker Band. As a composer, arranger, and audio engineer, he has written and arranged a wide variety of songs at his music studio in Northwestern Connecticut.

**New this year is Coyote River Band and Ticket to Ride.**

**Coyote River Band** is Connecticut's premier modern country and pop/rock event. Stellar vocals, a tight knit rhythm section and impassioned song renditions will have the audience entertained and up and moving for the entire show.



**Ticket to Ride**

The Beatles, the most influential Band of the Sixties, lives on with "**Ticket to Ride**".

Experience this exhilarating, authentic tribute to The Beatles recreating the sound and harmonies, in the original key and the Beatles' famous guitar and drum arsenal. Ticket to Ride takes their Tribute to the Beatles Over the Top!



# From the Office of Land Use

## Are Wetlands in YOUR Backyard?

### ~Part One~

#### **What are wetlands?**

In broad terms, wetlands are simply lands that are wet. They have water at or near the surface of the ground for a portion of the growing season. Some wetlands are only wet for part of the year and others are continually wet. Many wetlands serve as the important transitional areas between dry lands and deeper aquatic systems, like rivers and lakes; others may be isolated within upland areas. Swamps, marshes, and bogs are some of the most commonly known wetland types. You can find wetlands in forests, you can find wetlands along coastal shorelines and salt marshes, and you can find wetlands bordering streams, rivers and lakes. You can even find wetlands in your own backyard. Wetlands support both terrestrial and aquatic species of plants and animals. Wetlands are highly productive, unique ecosystems that support the streams flowing on or near your property, which flow on to larger waterbodies. These ecosystems are important to the sustainability and health of your community, as well as your environment.



#### **The Value of Wetlands**

Wetlands perform critical functions that directly impact the quality of life that you enjoy. Most wetlands help with:

**Flooding & Water Purification** Wetlands often help reduce flooding. They may temporarily store flood water and slowly release it, preventing flooding of your property--often your basement. Wetland plants are specially adapted to stressful conditions and serve to slow storm water, ultimately protecting adjacent and downstream properties from flood damage by diffusing large storm flows and slowing the momentum of the rushing water. Wetlands may slowly release excess water into groundwater systems below or pass it into nearby streams.

**Erosion Control & Sediment Trapping** Wetland vegetation slows storm water flow rates, settling excessive sediments loaded with pollutants from the land (nonpoint source pollution) and preventing soil erosion from your property. "Studies have shown

that as much as 80-90% of sediments in the water column may be removed as they move through wetlands" ([www.epa.gov/NE/students/teacher/world.html](http://www.epa.gov/NE/students/teacher/world.html)). Sediment poses a significant threat to water--both drinking water resources and non-drinking sources, including streams and lakes. Sediments can fill in water bodies, smothering fish spawning areas and bottom-dwelling aquatic life. Sediments are prime candidates for transporting pollutants from our homes and communities.

**Providing Habitat** Wetlands provide food, shelter, nesting areas and escape cover for a variety of mammals, amphibians, reptiles and birds. Some species simply would cease to exist without wetlands, which are one of the most biologically fertile and diverse landscapes on Earth. Amphibians may spend most of their lives in uplands, but they depend on wetlands for breeding. Vernal pools, a type of seasonal wetland, provide this safe breeding area that is void of predator fish. The US EPA reports that up to 45% of rare and endangered plant or animal species rely to some extent on wetlands.

**Human Enjoyment** Hunting and fishing remain sports that are dependent on wetlands. You can also enjoy hiking, birdwatching, and photography in wetland areas. Frogs, turtles, and interesting insects can tantalize the curiosity of your children. You can enjoy kayaking and canoeing in open waters abutting wetlands. Wetlands simply provide an escape from the stress and demands of everyday life.

#### **How Do I Affect Wetlands?**

Human activities have destroyed over half of all U.S. wetlands. Historically, wetlands were viewed as mosquito-infested wastelands. They were drained for agricultural use, filled for housing developments and industrial complexes, or used as dumping sites for household and hazardous wastes. Presently swing sets, sandboxes, gardens and sheds tend to damage wetlands located on private properties. Homeowners may be unaware that their home is near, or that their property includes, wetland areas. Property owners may then unknowingly proceed to clear trees, plant gardens, add sheds, install pools or patios, etc. This encroaches on wetland areas and affects their functioning. Although small encroachments on your property may seem insignificant, the cumulative impact resulting from your actions and the actions of your neighbors can be detrimental.

*\*This article has been substantially excerpted from the pamphlet entitled "Are Wetlands in YOUR Backyard?: Protecting YOUR Water Resources" developed by the Northern RI Conservation District. The full pamphlet is available online at [http://www.nricd.org/Wetlands\\_In\\_Your\\_Backyard.pdf](http://www.nricd.org/Wetlands_In_Your_Backyard.pdf). Please be aware that CT unlike RI, identifies and defines wetlands by soil type.*




Hard to believe that the end of the school year is near! The library has some great things planned for over the summer. Watch for the popular “Beach Reads” box at the town beach and every Friday we look forward to having Story Hour at 10 am. But before we get in full swing at the beach we have some great events coming up at the library.

### June 23<sup>rd</sup> discover “What’s In Your Attic?”

From 6 – 9 pm in the Library’s new community room, we will be hosting three respected Connecticut Antiques Appraisers. The three appraisers will cover everything from fine jewelry, china, furniture to china crystal and silverware.

They will provide verbal appraisals of 3 items for \$10.00 and \$5.00 for each additional item. This is **THE** event for collectors, historians and all Garage sale devotees. Refreshments will be provided by the library and just like at Antiques Roadshow it is the perfect opportunity to see what is in your neighbor’s attic.




Warren Public Library  
15 Sackett Hill Rd.

From silver, china, glass, sculptures, art, rare books, jewelry, clocks, and fine furniture  
**Free Admission**


**What’s in Your Attic?**

Thursday, June 23, 2016  
6:00 to 9:00 P.M.

Our expert appraisers are Carl Hotkowski, owner of “CT Antiques & Appraisals” with 40 yrs. experience buying & appraising valuables of every description; Jay Côté, with 28 yrs. experience specializing in china, crystal and silver; and Jeff Russak, an expert in fine jewelry. Our experts will provide verbal appraisals of 3 items for \$10.00 and \$5.00 for each additional item.



THE WARREN PUBLIC LIBRARY, INC.  
Bring your treasures to our new Community Room at the Warren Public Library and find out what the experts think!



**Refreshments**

For the benefit of the Warren Public Library



### June 30<sup>th</sup> – Munch and a Movie at noon

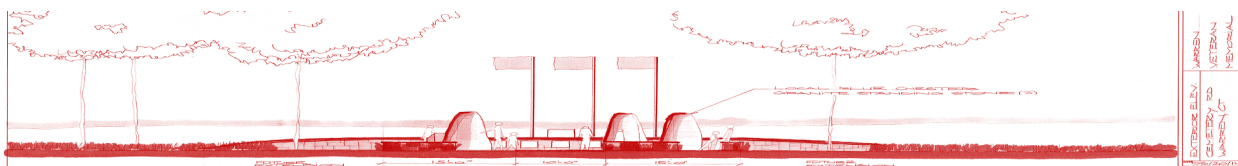
Bring your lunch bag and come and enjoy the movie, **“The Artist”**

The Artist takes place in Hollywood, 1927. George Valentin makes the transition from silent movies to “the talkies”. He does it with great style, all the while dancing and singing. Come and join us for a relaxing lunch with a movie!



On June 21<sup>st</sup> we look forward to kicking off the summer reading program – **“Ready, Set, Read!”** We are looking forward to combining reading with some great activities - so we will keep reading and keep moving. Watch for future dates of specific programs to be announced.

**Come by and spend a cool afternoon at the library!**



## Warren Veterans Memorial Committee

The Flags are flying high and the electricity to the site has been completed. We would like to thank the following people for their hard work running the power to the memorial: **Howard and Gregg Lethbridge, Jim Schultz, Elwyn Tanner, Jack Travers and Wayne Wilson.** Without these volunteers our goal would be very difficult to accomplish.

A very big thank you to Gary Heany for cleaning the memorial stone.

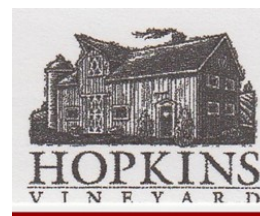
*It looks beautiful. Stop by and see it.*



Our next step is to build the wall. This phase is scheduled to start this Summer! We have been actively raising funds but are still short of our goal. Toward this end we continue to sell denim aprons and Any-time Wine Tasting coupons for the Hopkins Vineyard. Please consider helping us reach our goal to build this memorial to our fallen heroes.



**BBQ** season is here and what a great way to start off by purchasing a Veteran's Memorial Apron. **Denim Apron** has three pockets and adjustable ties to fit any size. Each apron is only \$20.00 and will benefit the new memorial.



### **Veteran's Memorial Fund WINE TASTING**

\$25.00 per person receive your wine tasting that consists of seven award winning wines and a souvenir glass.  
Hopkins Vineyard 25 Hopkins Road  
New Preston CT 06777 860-868-7954

### **HAMBURGER AND HOT DOG FUNDRAISERS**

Join us as we cook up some burgers and dogs at Warren Woods during the **2016 Summer Concert Series.** We will have burgers, hotdogs, chips, soda and water for sale. Have some fun, purchase some good eats and enjoy the music.

Our first grillin' day will be on

*July 16th as we listen to the Coyote River Band*

*And then again on*

*August 13th as we listen to TIMERIDER*





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.

This fall, the Warren Land Trust was pleased to acquire a new fee property and a new easement, both located in iconic view shed areas in town. The Strong Preserve, purchased with the assistance of a consortium of conservation-minded neighbors, consists of 53 acres on Above All Road. The wooded area includes one of the highest points in Warren. With the pro bono assistance of Bill Pollack and Arbor Services of Connecticut, Dave Schneiderbeck and other WLT board members are blazing a trail on the property. Stay tuned for news of its opening! We are also pleased to serve as stewards of a 9-acre conservation easement on Tanner Hill Road, for which we are grateful to Susan Bates.

In addition to new properties, we continue to inspect and maintain the pristine character of our fee properties and easements. Board members new and old have engaged in hands-on stewardship training, most notably at a recent workshop sponsored by UConn's Center for Land Use Education and Research on using smart-phone GPS technology to inspect properties, cut trails, and more. We look forward to putting this knowledge to practical use in the forest and fields.

In arenas beyond land acquisition and stewardship, we held our Annual Meeting this past November, at which we welcomed three new members to our Board of Directors. See our Fall 2015 newsletter (now on our website) for more information on the meeting and new board members. WLT members turned out in force again this year for Warren Parks & Rec's annual Earth Day Town Clean-up. Finally, we recently participated for the second time in the Connecticut Community Foundation's "Give Local" fundraising campaign. This year was even more successful than the last, as we had more donors and raised more funds for stewardship and programming than we had last year. We are grateful for our community's generosity!

Upcoming WLT activities:

CT Trails Day Hike, Saturday, 6/4, 10am (rain date Sunday, June 5th, 10am) - We will hike along Fiddlers Pond, a 3-mile loop over moderate terrain with some elevation and stream crossings. Board member and Outdoor Wilderness School instructor Dave Schneiderbeck will lead us, pointing out areas and items of interest. Dress for the weather, with appropriate footwear. Bring the kids (recommended for ages 5 and up); dogs on leash are permitted. Park at Warren Woods.

Heritage Hike, Saturday 9/24, 10am-noon – Indulge your enjoyment of the great outdoors and your curiosity about our local history at the same time! In partnership with the Warren Historical Society, we will walk the Coords Preserve, donated to the WLT in 2005 by former Town Clerk Priscilla Coords and her children. We are working with the WHS to determine the finer points of what promises to be a collaboration enjoyable for all. Details forthcoming on our website and Facebook page. For more information about the Coords Preserve, see the Fall 2012 WLT Newsletter on our website.

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](mailto:info@warrenlandtrust.org).



## Warren Historical Society

The Warren Historical Society's mission is to discover, celebrate and preserve Warren's history through its collections, programs and exhibits.

What have we been up to lately?

We had a record turnout at our **Annual Meeting** in October, as a panel reminisced about the Warren General Store. The current **exhibit** in our new display case, located in Town Hall, features 2015 accessions, including a canvas by renowned local portraitist Herb Abrams. Our participation in the Connecticut Community Foundation's **Give Local** campaign raised funds for programming and collection maintenance. And by the time you receive this newsletter, we will have held our second annual **Open House**. The event included an exhibit, "Education in Warren's History," and awarding of WHS scholarships.

What's coming up next at the Warren Historical Society?

**July 4<sup>th</sup> Bell-Ringing** Join us as we "let freedom ring" on July 4<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the WHS space in the Community Center at 1:30pm. After a reading of the Preamble to the Declaration of Independence, we will ring bells to commemorate its signing. Refreshments will be served, but BYOB (Bring Your Own Bell!).

**Town-wide Scavenger Hunt, August 13<sup>th</sup>** What are Warren's special sites? The whole family will have fun searching for items found around town at locations significant to our town's history and identity. The scavenger hunt will conclude at Warren Woods, where prizes will be awarded, and participants can bring a picnic and stay to enjoy a performance by "Timerider," as part of the Summer Concert Series. Details forthcoming on our website and Facebook page.

**Heritage Walk, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 10am-12pm** As part of the Housatonic Heritage Walks series, we are partnering with the Warren Land Trust for a hike on the WLT's Coords Preserve. Take in the natural beauty of a fall morning in the New England woods, while learning about the history of the preserve and surrounding area.

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 [warrenhistorian@hotmail.com](mailto:warrenhistorian@hotmail.com). And don't forget to "like" us on Facebook.

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## Warren Church Community Childcare and Preschool



**Hello all!** We have been busy here at WCCC. We have two new staff members. Briana Brown, our new pre-school teacher, started in April. She is studying Early Childhood Education at Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Emily Fisher will be here with us for the summer as our infant/toddler afternoon teacher. Emily is currently studying to be a nurse. Also, Sarah Zealor will be back for the summer as well. Sarah just graduated from Western Connecticut State with a degree in Social Work. We are very happy to have these women here with us.

They are a great addition to our WCCC family!

We have a fun summer planned for the children. Weekly trips to the library, Science Wednesdays with Shawn Mullen, science teacher at Forman School, working in our school garden and White Memorial will be coming to our school as well in June and August with their outreach program and much more. We have openings for infant and toddler programs and a few openings for preschool.

We would love for any members of the community who have a special talent to come in and share/teach to our children (ex. music, art, reading a book to the class, cooking, etc.) Also, come August, we will be looking for an afternoon infant/toddler teacher. If you or anyone you know are interested, please call me at 860-868-2236.

Please feel free to contact me with and questions, comments or ideas. Enjoy your summer!

~Sarah B. Churyk, WCCC Director

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### **Warren Volunteer Fire Company**

#### **Pancake Breakfast**

Sunday June 19th

7:30– 11:00am

\$5.00 adults \$2.00 children

Benefits the Auxiliary Scholarship Fund

## **SUMMER** *Concert* **SERIES**

**JULY 16** **Coyote River Band**  
Warren Woods - 5:30–8:30

**JULY 30** **Truck Stop Troubadours**  
Warren Woods - 5:30–8:30

**AUG 13** **TimeRider**  
Warren Woods - 5:30–8:30

**SEPT 10** **Ticket to Ride**  
Angevine Farm - 4:30–6:45

### **Good Eats For Sale**

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