

From the Office of the First Selectman

Happy New Year to all. We hope everyone had a very merry and safe holiday season. The Town was very busy these past few months. In October, the Annual Town Meeting was held on Thursday Oct 18th. On the agenda was elections for the Planning and Zoning Commission. Adam Crane and John Papp were elected to the Commission and Ruth Schnell was elected as an alternate. Congratulations to our newly elected members!. Thank you to the members who served but did not seek re-election to the Commission -Robyn Kasler served for 12 years and Kelly Tobin served for 3 years. Residents voted to adopt a resolution to lease Town land to Homeland Towers for the purpose of erecting, maintaining and operating a radio facility and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a long term lease with the Company. Residents also voted to adopt a resolution to lease a parcel of land on 50 Cemetery Road to the Warren Affordable Housing Corp. for the purpose of building and operating income restricted rental housing units and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to execute a ground lease agreement with the Corporation. My fellow Selectmen and I would like to thank all the residents who were able to attend the meeting and for those who volunteered to serve on the Planning and Zoning Commission.



During the past few years, Colleen Frisbie has been working with Marcia Schultz to get the Town of Warren recognized as a HeartSafe Community. To become a HeartSafe Community, the Town needed to meet certain criteria based on our population of under 5000 residents. We needed a minimum of 10 non-first responders certified in CPR and CPR/AED, a minimum of 2 public placed AED's, a certain number of first responders living in town, continuous CPR/AED training, and we needed to report the current year's EMS calls regarding cardiac arrests.

In February of 2018, Marcia held a CPR/AED class for Warren residents who would like to become certified. She had 10 residents who took the class. Thank you to those residents for their help. The Town received a grant and purchased AED's for our buildings and the Warren Congregation Church received a grant for the Parish Hall. We are very happy to say with all the help from town residents, our First Responders, and the Church, we were notified in November that we met all the requirements and would be recognized in December as a HeartSafe Community!!



The highlight of December was our Holiday on the Hill. All the different town organizations came together to offer our residents a night filled with magic. We started the night

off with Art Downs taking friends and neighbors for a ride throughout the town center on the *Holiday Tractor Wagon*. Santa arrived by special ATV driven by Fire Chief Ted Pettit. Santa lit the Christmas tree with help from all the children around him. He then headed over to his Warren Workshop to talk with each and everyone of them. The Warren Church offered up 12 different chilis for the tasting as Wamogo Students sang beautiful Christmas carols. The Library had a variety of activities starting with the Historical Society offering up some Wassail Bowl and Smoking Bishop to be sipped while enjoying their historical display. Around the corner children were writing their letters to Santa and then enjoying some purrfect! company with kittens from the Wellsvalley Cat Sanctuary. Time for some homemade cookies at the Fire House with the opportunity to donate items to Stuff a Fire Truck. The Friends of Warren School had their Festival of Trees at the Community Center. Raffle tickets were sold to win one of the beautiful trees donated by local businesses and decorated by Warren Students. To round off the evening there were more goodies made by members of the Land Trust, "sippings" from the Litchfield Distillery and Hopkins Vineyard, and pulled pork sandwiches provided by Warren Park and Recreation. A great time was had by all so please consider joining us next year!

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From the Highway Department

With Winter upon us, we are urging residents to be mindful about the roads and would like to stress the importance of keeping our roads safe. Issues which occur yearly are old habits of placing snow in the roads or across the roads when you are snow plowing your driveways. Another issue is parking on the streets during or after a snow storm, hindering the plowing and sanding efforts of the Town.

Town Ordinance adopted October 15, 2015 regarding the "Placement of Snow in Public Right of Way"

No person shall move, deposit or place, by any method or means, snow or ice from any private property, including, without limitation, sidewalks, driveways, shared driveways and private roads or rights of way in or onto any public road, roadway or right of way.





Any person who violates the ordinance may be liable for up to \$100 per offense.

Town Ordinance Regulating Parking Dated November 5, 1999

Winter Season Parking Ban in effect from now until April 15th.

Vehicles, trailers or any other type of vehicle as defined in the CGS 14-1, parked on Town Roads prohibiting the plowing of snow or sanding of roads will be deemed a menace and will be subject to a fine. For your safety as well as for the Highway Department Employees, please restrain from parking on the road side especially during storms and overnight hours.



Garbage Can Placement during Winter Months

Placing your garbage cans in the road during the winter months is a safety issue for not only the plow trucks but for anyone driving a vehicle on the street. With the automated removal, garbage cans can be placed up to 6 feet off the roadside. You can position the receptacle on top of the snow pile so it is off the road and it will be picked up by the trucks. Even though our Town Drivers and the State Workers try to be aware of the



receptacles when plowing or cleaning up the roads after a storm, it becomes difficult for the plows to maneuver around garbage cans left in the road. Please take the extra minute and make sure you have placed the receptacles for pick up in a safe area and then *remove the receptacle from the road* once your garbage/recycling has been picked up. Any receptacles damaged because they were in the road will be the responsibility of the resident/renter of the property.



From the Office of the Assessor

Applications for the Homeowners Benefit Program will be available in the Warren Assessor's office the middle of February for new applicants. Those individuals already on the program will receive an application by mail.

To qualify, a homeowner must meet the following criteria:

The home for which the credit is being sought must be the primary residence of the homeowner. The homeowner must have owned the home on or before October 1, 2018.

The homeowner must have reached the age of 65 by the end of 2018, although totally disabled homeowners are eligible regardless of age.

The income limits are \$36,000 for single applicants and \$43,900 combined income for married applicants.

Proof of all income for 2018 must be provided. If an applicant files an Income Tax Return, a copy must be provided. If an applicant receives Social Security benefits, a copy of the SSA 1099 form(s) must be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact the Assessor's office. Office hours are Wednesday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The telephone number is (860) 868-7881 extension 105.

From the Social Services Director

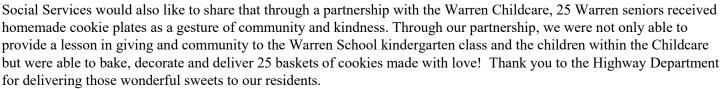
Social Services has a lot of be Thankful for!

This Holiday season social services was able to provide Thanksgiving food baskets complete with turkeys to 6 families



thanks to donations from the Litchfield Police Departments Thanksgiving food drive and donations from Warren residents. For the December Holiday season social services had a (wonderfully) overwhelming 39 volunteer "Elves" who were eager to help FOOD provide gifts for 19 children in 12 different families. These "Elves" truly are the BASKETS image of what the holiday season is meant to be about: generosity of heart and

caring for our neighbors. Food baskets for holiday dinners were also provided to those families in need thanks to donations from many local establishments and individuals.













NORTHWEST CONNECTICUT This December Social Services applied for and received a grant from The Marion Wm. & COMMUNITY FOUNDATION Alice Edwards Fund, a fund of Northwest Connecticut Community Foundation. This grant will allow many of the programs social services provides for the community to continue.



The Warren & Washington Food Pantry would like to thank Rumsey Hall School, St. Johns Church, The Litchfield Police Department, Washington Supply Company, Dawn Hill Antiques, DK Shulman, New Preston Kitchen Goods, Farmers & Cooks 9 Main, Pergola, J. Seitz, Privit House, The Owl and The Smithy; as well as the many individual residents, for the food drives that were organized, the food donations given and the monetary contributions made to continue providing healthy and accessible food to Warren and Washington residents this season.





NEW HOURS for the Warren & Washington Food Pantry:

Please be aware that beginning January 1st, 2019 the food pantry hours will be moving to the first and third THURSDAY of every month from 10:00am-Noon.



WARREN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Welcome to 2019 at the Warren Public Library

Valentine's Day Teddy Bear Tea Party, February 9, 10:30AM-11:30AM

Join us for our second annual Teddy Bear Tea Party. Enjoy a Valentine's Day story followed by crafts and snacks for you and your teddy bear. Come dressed in your tea party best and bring a friend for extra fun and cheer! Open To All Ages. Registration Required.







No School Movie Day BYOL (Bring Your Own Lunch) The Incredibles 2, February 19, 11:30AM-1PM No school means BYOL movie day at the library! We will be showing The Incredibles 2. Cookies and lemonade will be available.



Dr. Seuss Day, March 2, 10:30AM-11:30AM

Dr. Seuss's stories will come to life through crafts and activities during our Dr. Seuss Day Celebration. Come dressed in your wackiest outfits (bright mismatched colors encouraged)! Open To All Ages. Registration Required.

Story Times

Classic Storytime, Tuesday, 11AM-11:30AM Enjoy a story and craft followed by free play in the children's room. Note: Storytime will finish in time for Warren School Pre-K pickup.





Playgroup Friday Mornings - 10:45AM-11:15AM

Our playgroup is a wonderful way for moms, dads, and caretakers and their children to meet other young families in town. A simple story and craft are available followed by lots of fun playtime.

Lunch Bunch, Fridays 11:45AM-12:30PM ***Starting In March***



Lunch Bunch is an excellent opportunity to prepare Pre-K students for the transition to Kindergarten by giving them an opportunity to develop lunch time friendships that will carry over into the following year. This group meets immediately following Pre-K dismissal and includes a story and craft followed by a B.Y.O.L. lunch with friends. Open to children ages 3-5.

Vinyasa Yoga—All Levels

by resident yoga Master Jody Cohen. Monday at 5:30PM Friday at 9:00AM A class for all levels of yoga. Join us for an invigorating, gentle and inspired class.



Park and Recreation Activi

Open Gym - Warren Community Center - Opening on Sundays - Check the Town's website for schedule. Let's get something going at the Community Center! All ready set up at the Community Center for your enjoyment is Table Tennis, or maybe try your quick reflexes out at the Air Hockey table. Maybe bowling is more to your liking-try out the Kinect for XBOX 360 with different video games available for some good exercise. Let's get out and walk inside the gym or play some basketball. Talk to your friends and get them involved.

> Let's gather at the center! Upon entering the Center, all participants must sign-in/register. Parents please note, children must be supervised. Suggestion is one parent for 5 children. Thank you in advanced for your cooperation.



KARATE AT THE WARREN SCHOOL - Friday Nights Kid Kicks (age 5-8 years olds) 6:00PM—6:30PM Junior & Adult (age 7 and older) 6:30PM Weapons & advanced Forms-every other week at 7:35PM Session Fee: \$75.00 per Student – 10 week sessions \$55.00 additional family member Instructor: Frannie Caco, Cheezic Tang Soo Do Black Belt #2269 Phone: 860-868-5031 Email: caco06777@yahoo.com



NEW Tuesdays 6:00-7:00PM

8- week class January 8- March 5 (no class February 12)

Fusion-style group exercise class that features movements inspired by, but not limited to, various styles of Pilates and Yoga.



BOOT CAMP Saturdays 7:30-8:30AM Interval Training \$10 a class, pay as you go

Bring: Yoga Mat and Water bottle

First class free Cost: \$70 for remaining classes or \$12 per class

Email Questions: Carla@ Carlahangevine@hotmail.com



Ice Skating The Warren Community is invited to participate in the Open Skate sessions that are presented by the Kent and Washington Recreation Departments. We are most thankful for the opportunity to take part in these programs. For updated schedules, please reference our Town website.



Snowshoeing Clinic - Saturdays- Warren Woods

Dave Schneiderbeck from the Warren Parks and Recreation Commission, will lead the group and explain the basics of this great outdoor winter activity. After this initial basic introduction, we are planning on Saturday afternoons for an open activity by joining others in getting some exercise by snowshoeing. Please check the Town Website and Facebook page for scheduled dates.



Let's take advantage of winter's snow and build your favorite SNOWMAN/SCULPTURE. Take a picture of your masterpiece and email to the Parks & Recreation office at parkrecdirector@warrenct.org

We will post them on the Town of Warren FACEBOOK page. Let's see which photograph receives the most *LIKES* SO bundle up and get out there. Have some FUN! Ready, set, GO!!

Basketball - Thursday Nights Open Gym for basketball enthusiasts from 6:00PM – 8:00PM at the Warren School. Instructional Basketball for 3rd grade children and up - 6:00PM - 7:00PM Adult Basketball—7:00PM—8:00 PM



Lifeguards Wanted: Warren Town Beach Summer 2019



Seasonal Employment Opportunity Certified Lifeguards and Gate Guards are needed at Warren Town Beach for summer 2019. All guards must be certified. If interested contact the Parks and Recreation Department or refer to Town website for additional information.

American Red Cross Babysitting Course

Ages 11 – 15 Years

Start Date: TBD Time: 9:00 - 3:00 pm at the Morris Senior Center

The American Red Cross Babysitting Class offers in-depth information, training, and skill development needed to provide safe and responsible care for children in the absence of parents and / or guardians. Course includes: *How to make decisions common to babysitting situations *How to recognize and handle emergency situations *Strategies to create a safe and positive environment and prevent injuries.



Sponsored by the Morris and Warren Recreations Departments. Questions call Warren Parks & Recreation at 860-868-7881 ext. 113 or email parkrecdirector@warrenct.org Cost: TBD







Warren Parks and Recreation Scholarship for graduating seniors

<u>The Warren Parks and Recreation Commission</u> is offering its Annual Warren Parks and Recreation Scholarship in conjunction with the Connecticut Community Foundation. The deadline for applications is March 15th for new (first time) applicants and February 15th for re-applicants. Additional information and to complete an online application, please go to the Connecticut Community Foundation website at <u>www.conncf.org</u>

Warren's Annual 5K Cider Run event benefits the Scholarship Fund Endowment with Connecticut Community Foundation. If there are any questions, please contact Mrs. Hart in the guidance department at WAMOGO HS.



Mommy & Baby Yoga Wednesday 10am 8 weeks 1/9-2/27 7 Sackett Hill Rd Warren Ct

Mommy & Baby YOGA

New Session: Wednesday January 9 - February 27, 2019

Come and connect with other mothers and babies as we share yoga together. This class will be a great way to embrace your community and create support system during this sacred time of caring for your infant.

We will practice the physical practice of yoga to strengthen our bodies, meditation to clear our mind and breathing techniques to calm our heart. By doing this practice it will help you connect to your babies.

The class starts at 10:00 AM at the Warren Community Center. Price \$78.00 Additional questions, please contact Ann Marie at annmarieyoga@yahoo.com

SIP and **PAINT**

Friday February 8 Warren Academy 6:00 – 8:00PM

The latest trend has reached us in Warren! Bring your own bottle of wine to sip as you paint your own picture to keep for yourself or give to your valentine. The two-hour, hearty fun painting session will be guided by local artist and West Conn professor Xenia Hodza.



Loosen up your creative self by sipping through your inhibition. We'll supply all the artists' materials you need to make any one of the paintings below or your own variation! Price includes: 2 hour studio painting session with tricks of the trade, one canvas 10×10 or 12×12 , acrylic paints, brushes, palettes, cups, etc. Wine not included.

Cost: \$20 pre-registration Walk-ins welcomed at \$25 per person. You must be 21 or over to drink alcohol. Please make arrangements with a designated driver.







"<u>Tea with the Brit Girls</u>"

Saturday May 11th Parish Hall - 2:30PM

One thing for sure, the Brits know their tea! Join us for a true old fashioned high tea with the greatest bunch of British girls this side of the Pond! We'll delight in delicious tea sandwiches and desserts beautifully presented in tiered trays. And our tea? Oh, in

personal tea pots, of course! No styrofoam cups here! Only the best china for the Brits!

While delighting in our treats, we'll learn more than we ever thought possible about the history of tea and the important role it has played in British history and even today.

There is limited seating available for this wonderful afternoon. Please do not delay. Please call the Park and Rec office at 860-868-7881 ext. 113





Everyone knows it's one of our favorite trips! We're keeping that tradition and tweaking it just a bit this time around—just to keep things interesting!

We'll not only visit our favorite bargain haunt—The Christmas Tree Shops, which has been completely renovated and revamped, by the way, but we're adding a visit / tour / demonstration at none other than the PEZ Candy Factory!

Over 4,000 square feet dedicated to all things PEZ! See the largest, most comprehensive collection of PEZ memorabilia on public display in the world along with the largest PEZ dispenser, viewing into their production area, a private PEZ demonstration and of course, their massive retail area!

Following our shopping and PEZing, we'll get our biscuits on at The Cracker Barrel Restaurant, of course! Along with a bonus stop after lunch. Such a fun day out with friends—join us!

Departure is 8:30AM from Warren Community Center. \$10.00 per person includes transportation and admission to museum (lunch is additional)

February 7th - Thrift Store Tour



After the Holidays, all of our pockets are a bit thinner than they were in November! What better time for a Thrift Store Tour!?

OLD COUNTRY STORE

We'll start the day at the *Red, White and Blue Thrift* Store in Waterbury. They've moved to a NEW location in Colonial Plaza on Wolcott Avenue! The store is a bit smaller, but very clean, neat and

organized! Daily 25% or 50% off specials for all shoppers! Treasures just waiting for you! This store is CASH ONLY, so please bring along Mr. Lincoln, Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Jackson, just in case!

All of that bargain hunting sure builds up an appetite, so we'll be stopping for lunch at *Panera Bread* where we'll find delicious soups to warm us up—how does broccoli cheddar soup sound? Or maybe baked potato soup? Or the bistro French onion soup sounds wonderful! They also offer a wide variety of handmade sandwiches and a dozen healthy salad options! Don't forget one of their amazing pastries, to go!

Next we'll travel over to the *Southbury Training School Thrift Store*. There is a "boutique" area, as well as a "you need to dig around" area—something for everyone! Finally, we'll stop in at the *Red Barn Thrift Shop* in Woodbury. Such a fun day of bargain and treasure hunting with friends!

Departure time is 9:00AM from the Warren Community Center \$5.00 per person for transportation cost (lunch additional)

Thursday February 21st- Hartford Flower & Garden Show

Join us to see the 38th Annual Connecticut Flower & Garden Show at the Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford, CT. We will depart from the Warren Community Center at 8:30 am. Spring in February arrives annually at the Connecticut Convention Center. Explore over 300 booths overflowing with fresh flowers, plants, herbs, bulbs, seeds, gardening books, garden equipment & much more. View beautifully landscaped gardens. Visit the Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut design & horticulture competition.



Transportation provided by Northwestern CT Transit. COST: \$22.00 (includes admission and transportation)

Tuesday March 5th - Riverview Theater

We'll be traveling to Woodbury and enjoy a delicious lunch at Woodbury Diner. Great food & good prices!





Following our lunch we head over to the Riverview Theaters in Southbury for your choice of an afternoon matinee movie. It is such a comfortable place to watch first run movies. Seats are kept beautifully clean, are completely comfortable, roomy and heated if you like. Departure time TBD from Warren Community Center

\$5.00 per person (movie cost of \$8.00 and lunch are additional)



Saint Patrick's Lunch – Thursday March 14th - It's Party Time!

We are ALL a little **Irish** on Saint Patrick's Day, of course! Let's celebrate Ireland's patron Saint by eating some delicious corned beef and all the trimmings! If you love corned beef as much as we do you *need* to come to our Saint Patrick's Day celebration!



We'll enjoy a delicious catered complete corned beef dinner, an amazing dessert and fabulous company! Who can forget LIVE entertainment, treats and raffle prizes! Wooo hooooo! We will be enjoying the holiday celebration with our friends from Morris in the Parish Hall at the Warren Congregational Church. Seating is limited—please do not delay! Don't forget to wear green and watch for leprechauns!





Tai Chi for Better Balance Warren Community Center

TICKETS: \$15.00 on sale now

This is a six session program that meets on Tuesdays starting April 2nd time: 10:30AM—11:30AM Class dates include: April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and May 7. These classes are designed based on the Tai Chi principle and will include warm-ups, Tai Chi movements and discussion. Tai Chi uses gentle flowing motions to strengthen the body, relax the mind, and reduce the risk of falls.

CLASSES are FREE

Must register with Parks & Rec at 860-868-7881 ext. 113



Each *Lunch & Learn* event will feature an interesting speaker / event / topic and of course, lunch, once per month. Lunch may sometimes be a catered event, sometimes a pot luck or brown bag.

Lunch & Learn will always be FREE!

All are encouraged to attend—share with your friends and neighbors.

Reservations are always mandatory by contacting the Park and Rec office At 860-868-7881 ext. 113.





Tuesday February 26 Floral Arrangement with WAMOGO

A wonderful opportunity for all of the "Green Thumbs" and "Green Thumb Wannabees" out there! High school students from the Horticultural Program at *WAMOGO Regional High School* will be at the Community Center on Tuesday February 26th at 11:00 AM for a floral design workshop!

We'll have a fabulous time and learn some tricks of the trade, along with some important





floral design techniques. In the end, we will make our own beautiful spring themed arrangement to take home! What could be better than that! Class will last for approximately one hour. Please join us!

Cost: \$12.00 This is a bagged lunch event. Lunch will be after the floral arrangement program.







Tuesday March 19 - AARP Fraud Watch Network: The Con Artist Playbook

Our March *Lunch and Learn* program will find us learning about fraud watch. A representative from AARP will present "The Con Artist Playbook". We will take a look at the psychology behind ID Theft, Fraud & Scams through actual footage of scammers, insights and advice. Participants will walk away armed with the tools they need to keep themselves and their families safe. Session will be approximately 45 - 60 minutes.

This is a **CATERED LUNCH EVENT** – a full lunch will be provided. Lunch will be served at 11:30AM. While the program is free of charge, advance registration is mandatory. Please call us to register.

DAY TRIPPERS 2019 "OUT & ABOUT" SERIES

A Note from our Park and Recreation Director, Don Murphy:

We are THRILLED to reveal a portion of our **Day Trippers** schedule for the 2019 season! Kristen Davila from Morris Beach & Recreation and myself have been hard at work putting together a trip calendar for 2019 that has some old favorites and some new and exciting adventures. We certainly hope you decide to join us on an adventure or two!

et to be finalized but if you do have an interest in any of the following trips, please let us know

Costs have yet to be finalized, but if you do have an interest in any of the following trips, please let us know as soon as possible. Additional information, registration forms and costing will be posted on the town website.

Saturday, February 9th - Meet & Compete – Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show

Join us as we travel to New York City to experience the iconic Westminster Dog Show 2019!

We'll be participating with the "Meet & Compete" section of this year's show where we'll watch the Agility Preliminaries and the AKC (American Kennel Club) Meet the Breeds sections. Such a great opportunity to learn about your favorite canine breeds up



close and personal and also experience the amazing physical feats that these animals are capable of!

Cost is \$80.00 per person and includes your admission ticket to the event, deluxe motor coach transportation, driver gratuity and more! Please contact us for registration information.

Saturday, March 16th - Museum Mile, NYC



The Museum Mile is a lovely stretch along 5th Avenue chock full of museums and other fine art institutions, such as *MOMA*, the *Guggenheim* and the nearby *Museum of Natural History* are all options to consider.

Cost is \$55.00 per person and includes deluxe motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, snacks and more. Admission to Museum(s) is a separate fee.

Saturday, April 6th - New York Botanical Gardens / The Bronx Zoo, NYC



We'll be visiting during *NY Botanical Garden's* spectacular 17th annual Orchid Show: Singapore, a dazzling tribute to Singapore—one of the world's greatest orchid cultures. Chose this option or visit *The Bronx Zoo*. Final stop for all at *Little Italy* in the Bronx, time permitting.



Cost is \$55.00 per person and includes deluxe motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, snacks and more. Admission to Botanical Gardens or Bronx Zoo is a separate fee. We will assist with group sales ticketing once we know the final number of participants.

Sunday April 14th 1:05PM Game Time - White Sox vs New York Yankees



Price will include ticket to the game (seating in section /232), motor coach transportation, bus parking, driver gratuity and snack bag. Cost: TBD





Coming in May 2019 - A Weekend in Lancaster, PA

Amish Country & Entertainment On This Lancaster Bus Trip!

The spectacular Sight and Sound Theater is the centerpiece of our exciting group bus trip to Lancaster, PA, featuring a remarkable show - JESUS! Be captivated and inspired by this faithful retelling of the Biblical account of Jesus at the state-of-the-art Sight and Sound Theatre. Your group will also learn the Amish traditions and practices. A guided tour of Lancaster takes your group back in time to 19th century style Amish Country lifestyle.

This Lancaster bus trip is a unique combination of amazing entertainment and old-fashioned charm! Cost: TBD



Sunday May 19th - Red Sox vs Astros at Fenway Park 1:05PM Game

Witness the 2018 World Series Champions Red Sox take on the 2017 World Series Champions in Bean Town!

Seating is in Grandstand 5 & 6, motor coach transportation, bus parking, driver gratuity and snacks. Cost: TBD





Sunday June 23rd – Yankees vs Astros at Yankee Stadium/Old Timers



Witness the Yankees take on the Houston Astros at Yankee Stadium in the Bronx. Prior to the game is the Old Timers game featuring many of the former Yankee great players. Price will include ticket to the game (seating in section /232), motor coach transportation, bus parking, driver gratuity and snack bag.

Cost: TBD



Thursday July 4th – James Taylor Tanglewood



JAMES TAYLOR RETURNS TO TANGLEWOOD WITH HIS ALL-STAR BAND

His Only New England Concerts This Summer and His 27th Year Performing at Tanglewood. The concert will be followed by a spectacular fireworks display over the Stockbridge Bowl in celebration of the Independence Day holiday.

Proceeds from the July 4 concert will be donated by Kim and James Taylor to Tanglewood. Cost: TBD

Saturday, August 3 - Yankees vs Red Sox at Yankee Stadium

"Oldest Rivalry in Baseball History"

It's a rival almost as old as the game itself!

New York Yankees vs Boston Red Sox at Yankee Stadium.

Cost: TBD includes ticket to the game (seating in Section 232A), motor coach transportation, bus parking, driver gratuity and snacks



New England

Aquarium



Saturday August 24th - Whoosh to the Whales. Or New England Aquarium -- Boston, MA

Set sail with us for the whale watch experience of a lifetime. Our destination: Stellwagen Bank Marine Sanctuary, a rich feeding

ground for whales, dolphins, sea birds and other marine creatures. You'll have a good chance to view several different species of large whales, including humpbacks, finbacks, minkes, pilot whales and the critically endangered right whales. And you'll learn about them from New England Aquarium naturalists who are always on board to share knowledge, answer your questions and explain the mind-blowing behaviors of these truly magnificent mammals.

The New England Aquarium is perfect for all ages to explore the Giant Ocean Tank. You can experience a close encounter with a Cownose Ray at the Shark and Ray Touch Tank, watch our playful Fur Seals put on a show, and grab a bite at the harbor View Café.

Cost: TBD Includes ticket, deluxe motor coach transportation, driver gratuity and snacks.



Sunday, September 15 - Los Angeles Dodgers vs. New York Mets, Citi Field, game time 1:10PM

The old team is back in town! Enjoy this exciting match up at the beautiful Citi Field in Flushing Meadows. Cost: TBD Includes ticket to the game (seating in section 135/136), motor coach transportation, driver gratuity, prizes and snack bag.



Wednesday, September 19th - The Big E



The *Big E* takes place at the Eastern States Exposition September 13-September 29. It is the *largest fair* in the Northeast; it annually attracts over one million people through the gates during a 17-day run.. Cost: TBD

Coming in October - The Stockbridge Experience

We're heading North to the Berkshires to experience all that Stockbridge has to offer! We'll enjoy time at the *Norman Rockwell Museum*, a delicious 3-course meal at the historic *Red Lion Inn* along with bargain shopping at *Lee Outlets*! Pricing will include admission to the *Norman Rockwell Museum*, a three course meal at *Red Lion Inn*, bus transportation, all taxes and gratuities, snack bag / water bottle.

The *Norman Rockwell Museum* houses the world's largest and most significant collection of Rockwell art. *Norman Rockwell Museum* presents, preserves and studies the art of illustration and is a world resource for reflection, involvement and discovery inspired by Norman Rockwell and the power of visual images to shape and reflect society. The Museum advances social good through the civic values of learning, respect and inclusion and is committed to upholding the rights and dignity of all people through the universal messages of humanity and kindness portrayed by Norman Rockwell.





The Red Lion Inn is an iconic landmark whose warmth and character express timeless tradition while its vibrant personality brings the best of the Berkshires to life. Located in Stockbridge, MA, in the heart of the Berkshires. Enjoy a delicious New England-style meal and time to rock on their enormous front porch. Don't forget to meet Norman, the feline lobby ambassador, during your visit. He'll be hanging out in the side parlor people watching and soaking up rays

Sunday November 10th - National 9/11 Memorial and Museum

A tribute of remembrance and honor to those lost in the terror attacks of September 11, 2001. Combined with an option to visit <u>One World Observatory</u> (additional fee) located on the 102nd floor of <u>One World Trade</u>



<u>Center</u> – 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*. <u>Brookfield Place</u> close by with plentiful food options. Cost: TBD



During the Holiday

Thursday, December 5th - Christmas in Newport

The glitter of gold and the sparkle of silver will dazzle you as you tour three magnificent mansions decked out in Yuletide finery. Music, tours, and spectacular decorations highlight the celebration of Christmas at the Newport Mansions.

The Breakers, The Elms and Marble House--three National Historic Landmarks and icons of the Gilded Age in America-are filled with thousands of poinsettias, fresh flowers, evergreens and wreaths. Thirty decorated Christmas trees reflecting individual room decor anchor many of the magnificent spaces. Dining tables set with period silver and china complete the elegant setting. Windows of each mansion are lit with individual white candles, in keeping with the colonial tradition.

All three houses will be decorated and open daily for tours. Cost: TBD

Wednesday, December 18th - Radio City Christmas Spectacular



Radio City Christmas Spectacular - What better way to get into the Holiday spirit than with <u>The Rockettes</u>! 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 <u>Radio City</u>.

Cost: TBD Includes: Deluxe motor coach transportation, snacks, prizes, driver gratuity, admission to the Christmas Spectacular, and more





Warren Land Trust

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 participated in the second annual Holiday on the Hill on December 1st. While the forecast precluded us from building another bonfire this year, we enjoyed mixing and mingling with our neighbors and fellow town organizations, enjoying wine from Hopkins Winery, spirits from Litchfield Distillery and various baked good brought by our local home bakers!

As we burrow down for the winter, we use this opportunity to get work done indoors. We're working on a trail map series which will enable folks to enjoy our preserves with trails in the upcoming months. The first in a series, for the trail on the Dorothy Maier preserve, is already available at Town Hall. Other trail maps are soon to follow. We are also taking steps to prepare for our filing for reaccreditation, which we have to do every five years. Hard to believe it's been almost five years since we first gained this official designation from the National Land Trust Alliance! Finally, we are looking forward to planning details of our upcoming 30th anniversary celebration in 2019, including a community picnic to be held at Hopkins Vineyard in September. Details coming soon!

In the nearer term, come learn what's so interesting about Connecticut's 169 towns and villages on Sunday, January 27th at 2:00pm at Town Hall. Along with the Warren Historical Society we are co-hosting a presentation and book signing by historian Marty Podskoch author of *The Connecticut 169 Club: Your Passport and Guide to Exploring Connecticut*. Refreshments will be provided; we hope you can join us!

For more information or to volunteer, contact us at <u>info@warrenlandtrust.com</u>, check our website (<u>www.warrenlandtrust.org</u>), and "like" us on Facebook.

Warren Historical Society

Travel and history author Martin "Marty" Podskoch will share excerpts from his new book, Connecticut 169 Club: Your Passport and Guide to *Exploring Connecticut*, a collective effort with Connecticut's writers and historians to highlight the histories, haunts and landmarks of each of Connecticut's 169 towns. Join us Sunday, January 27, 219 at 2 pm at the Warren Town Hall Meeting Room. Attendees will have opportunity to purchase a copy of the new publication and have it signed by the author. Event cosponsored by the Warren Land Trust. Refreshments will be provided.



The Warren Historical Society Scholarship. Apply today! Deadline for application is May 1, 2019. The application and requirements can be found at <u>http://</u> <u>warrencthistoricalsociety.org/our-events/</u> <u>scholarship-information/</u> The WHS Scholarship is open to students who will be attending a two or four year accredited educational institution and who have attended a minimum of two years at the Warren School.



Volunteers Wanted! The Warren Historical Society's Oral History Committee is interviewing and recording members of our community whose memories capture unique aspects of Warren's history. To make this valuable resource accessible we need volunteers who can transcribe the digital recordings so that we can make them searchable. Share a little or a lot of time. We'll provide everything you need.



Don't have time to visit our museum space? Drop by Town Hall during regular hours and see our latest exhibit in the display case near the First Selectman's office. Our exhibits change, but for the end of 2018 we're giving an overview of our activities for the past year.



Warren Congregational Church

Winter Dinner Series

Those Delicious Winter Dinners are back at the Warren Congregational Church.



Happy New Year!

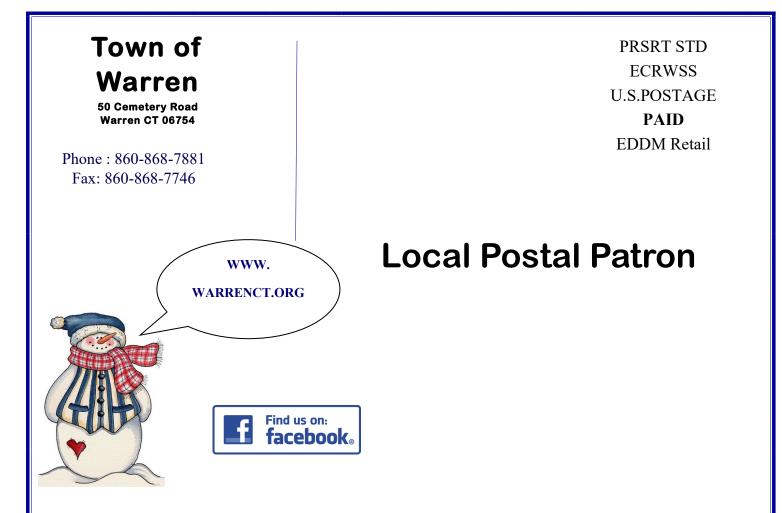
We had a very busy 2018. We opened a fourth classroom early last year to accommodate our growing center, cleared out the wooded area for outdoor adventures, our new playground is up and running and the blacktop repairs are complete! We are almost done with the new fenced in "green space". Also, Kaitlin Stokes is starting in January as our afternoon infant/toddler teacher. She did her student teaching hours with us this fall and we are excited to have her as part of the WCCC family!

As always, I would love for community members with a special talent (arts & crafts, cooking, music, outdoors, bi-lingual, etc.) to come in and share with us.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments or ideas at 860-868-2236.

I look forward to what 2019 has in store for WCCC!

~Sarah B. Churyk, WCCC Director





All you can eat: Pancakes -plain or blueberry, sausage, O.J., coffee or tea.

Adults \$5.00, children \$2.00 Children under 3 are free

Proceeds from the breakfast benefit the Auxiliary Scholarship Fund

Additional information call Vicki Rumble at 860-868-2187



Mark Your Calendars Sunday, January 20th Sunday, February 24th Sunday, March 17th Sunday, April 28th Sunday, May 19th Sunday, June 16th

Warren Community Center 7:30 AM — 11:00 AM