

SUMMER 2021

WINDSOR

There's a lot to do in Windsor!



First in Connecticut. First for its citizens.

Following a brief hiatus, we are happy to bring you this summer 2021 edition of *There's a lot to do in Windsor* that highlights Windsor activities planned for June through August.

Special thanks to Windsor's own Dr. Leonard Hellerman for the photo featured on our cover. Dr. Hellerman has graciously donated his time and photographic art for the cover of this and every issue of our publication. We would also like to thank our friend Bill Large for his tutelage and dedication to this publication for 25 years.

If you are a non-profit, civic or religious organization and you would like to have your event listed, here's our production schedule:

- The fall 2021 edition will include September through December information. Deadline: June 15
- The winter 2022 edition will include January through April information. Deadline: October 19
- The summer 2022 edition will include May through August information. Deadline: February 15

Some programs may be modified due to COVID-19 guidelines, so keep an eye on the town's website or call the department offering the program you are interested in to confirm.

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WINDSOR'S FRONT LINE HEROES



When the COVID-19 pandemic took hold here in Windsor and globally over one year ago, it forced many of us to pause and adapt many aspects of our lifestyles.

Pictured left is a group of people that never paused and never flinched, but took on the novel coronavirus with determination and teamwork. They are the Town of Windsor Health Department and they haven't slowed down yet. From quarantines to contact tracing, dispelling myths, administering vaccines and providing reassurance to schools, businesses and everyone in our community, they truly are Windsor's front line heroes.

Pictured front row L to R: Tina Delpont, Dr. Michael Pepe, Jennifer Waldo

Pictured back row L to R: Michael Rotondaro, Meagan Bartley, Gregg Donato, Trishanna Branford, Barbara Yungk

Finding the information you need

The information in this publication is presented by age groupings with the "Everyone" section containing information on adult programming as well as special events for the whole family.

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WINDSOR NATIVE AND RETIRED 3-STAR GENERAL WILL SERVE AS MEMORIAL DAY PARADE MARSHAL ON MAY 31



Reynold Hoover is a recently retired Army National Guard Lieutenant General and the former Deputy Commander of U.S. Northern Command. Born and raised in Windsor, he attended Windsor Public Schools, picked tobacco, delivered newspapers, was a lifeguard and became an Eagle Scout. We are honored to have General Hoover come home to join us for Windsor's Memorial Day Observance on Monday, May 31. Observances will be held at Elm Grove Cemetery on Poquonock Avenue at 8:00 AM followed by a ceremony at Veterans Cemetery on Pleasant Street at 9:00 AM and town hall at 10:00 AM.

For everyone's safety, social distancing and mask wearing will be strongly encouraged and some other modifications to our traditional observances may be necessary. For detailed information, go to townofwindsorct.com.

Windsor Town Government Meetings in June

All are free and open to the public. Meetings conclude when adjourned by the committee. *At the time of this printing, meetings are being held via Zoom. Please refer to the meeting agenda for details.*

| Commission on Aging and Persons with Disabilities | | | |
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| June 1 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or TBD | 860-285-1881 |
| Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission | | | |
| June 1 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1987 |
| Town Council | | | |
| June 7 | 7:30 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1800 |
| Town Planning and Zoning Commission | | | |
| June 8 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1950 |
| Public Building Commission | | | |
| June 8 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Ludlow Room | 860-285-1870 |
| Human Relations Commission | | | |
| June 9 | 6:30 PM | Zoom or Ludlow Room | 860-285-1984 |
| Board of Education | | | |
| June 15 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-687-2000 |
| Insurance Commission | | | |
| June 16 | 5:30 PM | Zoom or Dr. Primus Room | 860-285-1951 |
| Zoning Board of Appeals | | | |
| June 16 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1961 |
| Town Council | | | |
| June 21 | 7:30 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1800 |
| Public Building Commission | | | |
| June 22 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Ludlow Room | 860-285-1870 |
| Youth Commission | | | |
| June 22 | 6:30 PM | Zoom or 330 Windsor Ave. | 860-285-1946 |
| Windsor Housing Authority | | | |
| June 23 | 3:00 PM | Zoom or 156 Bloomfield Ave. | 860-285-8090 |
| Conservation Commission | | | |
| June 29 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Dr. Primus Room | 860-285-1987 |

We're turning 100! Windsor Historical Society's 100th anniversary is in September! Look for announcements on our website and follow us on social media to learn about how you can join us in a community-based celebration of the past century! windsorhistoricalsociety.org

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JUNE

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June 1: Join us this summer for **Outdoor Yoga** at the L.P. Wilson Community Center in the back soccer field, every Thursday from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM through June 24. (We officially started May 6th – but all are welcome to join in.) Unwind and enjoy a breath of fresh air while you connect with nature, improve your health and relax with other yogis. Each all-level class incorporates yoga postures, breathing techniques, and mindfulness to inspire balance, and improve flexibility. Please bring water, a yoga mat, or a towel. All classes are weather permitting. Beginners welcome! \$5.00 per class and kids under 10 are free. 860-285-1990.

WINDSOR FORWARD



SAME SERVICES, DIFFERENT DELIVERY



Starting in March, 2020, the Social Services Department modified the majority of their day-to-day operations to provide seamless continuity of services to our community during the COVID-19 pandemic. Windsor's food bank was one of just a few in the state that never closed, or had a break in service during the pandemic, thanks to the quick action of the social services team to convert the food bank to a "drive-up" format.

When November rolled around, the decision was made to continue the drive-up format for the department's annual turkey distribution, and the process ran like gravy on a buttered mound of mashed potatoes. So good, in fact, that the team will continue to utilize that format for future holiday distributions.



Partnering with United Way and the Windsor Chamber of Commerce, social services facilitated the distribution of \$11,400 in COVID Relief funds. Home deliveries of food and basic necessities were made to more than 90 home bound, at-risk and senior clients. Temporary modifications were made to The Windsor Food and Fuel Bank's grant requirements to better accommodate the increased financial needs of Windsor residents during the pandemic. Town staff also assisted with four food distributions in partnership with the towns of West Hartford and Bloomfield as part of the "Mayor's United Food Distribution."

"To all my friends at Social Services - Thanks for all the calls, the food deliveries, and the little special things you all do to make a difference. It matters, it's been noticed, and it's appreciated. Stay safe." – from a card written by a client

Windsor Social Services continues to do what they do best – helping people, even as the pandemic continues to linger. In-person visits are still avoided when possible, but the majority of assistance can be provided over the phone. The caseworkers also specialize in information and referrals for state and federal programs such as Medicare, fuel assistance, veterans and mental health services. Page 5 outlines the wide range of services offered to Windsor residents. If you, a family member or friend need assistance, do not hesitate to call 860-285-1839. You'll receive the same great service, with just a little different delivery.



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The Windsor Food and Fuel Bank sincerely thanks the Windsor community for its ongoing support during this past most challenging year. Your generosity has allowed us to continue providing (critical) assistance to our Windsor neighbors in need.

Let no person go hungry, be cold, or go without basic necessities.

windsorfoodbank.org

June 3: Just starting to research your family tree? Experienced but stumped? This informal gathering of fellow researchers engages in lively discussion and problem-solving in the Windsor Historical Society's **Virtual Genealogical Support Group**. We will be meeting via Zoom from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM until it is safe to return to in-person. Registration needed for Zoom meeting link at windsorhistoricalsociety.org. Free. 860-688-3813.

June 10: Join the Main Library's **Virtual Book Club** for a lively discussion of *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Richardson. Discussions are held on Zoom on the second Thursday of every month from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Books are available at the Lending Desk, one month prior to each meeting. Free. 860-285-1918.

June 12: Celebrate the beginning of the summer season from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM at the Windsor Historical Society **Open House Day!** Our museum and historic Strong Howard House will be open for in-person tours. Visit our special exhibit Windsor in 1921: The Paradox of Progress, and our gift shop that's chock full of Windsor gifts, local history books, and our large selection of Black, Latinx and Indigenous history books! Admission is free for all for this special one-day event. 860-688-3813.

June 12: As precursor to our Juneteenth Celebration, we present a virtual, **dramatic reading of "Day of Tears,"** Julius Lester's riveting novel-in-dialogue today from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM at the Wilson Branch Library. "Day of Tears" tells the story of the largest sale of enslaved individuals in American history. In early March, 1859, a Georgia plantation owner sold over 450 people to cover his gambling debts; this action would affect hundreds of lives for generations to come. The day was thereafter known as "The Day of Tears." Join Director Laurie Maria Cabral and the "Day of Tears" cast for this free public performance via Zoom. (Suitable for children grades three and up). Free. 860-247-8690.

June 14: The Main Library welcomes Mike Norris, PhD, to present **Go, van Gogh!** Van Gogh wrote to his brother Theo that, as he had no children, he viewed his paintings as his progeny. Let's explore some of these "brilliant children," especially those at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. This presentation will take place on Monday, June 14 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM via Zoom. Free. 860-285-1918.

June 15: Test your trivia knowledge and win prizes during **Family Trivia via Zoom** with the Windsor Public Library from 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 17: Drive by The Caring Connection, Windsor's Adult Day Health Center located at 330 Windsor Avenue between 4:30 PM and 6:00 PM for our "Drive-by" **Third Thursdays Open House**. We'll be having an Ice Cream Social and distributing "Longest Day" activity packets and caregiver pampering gifts. Free. All are welcome. RSVP 860-547-0251 by June 15.

June 19: Join us today at Wilson Branch Library for our **Juneteenth Celebration and Summer Reading Pre-Kickoff** to celebrate Juneteenth and kick off summer! Registered participants will enjoy an interactive African Drum, Dance & Storytelling workshop, live readings from the Oliver Ellsworth "I Am Me" project, book give-a-ways, raffles and more. Families can register to reserve one of two timed tickets at 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM or 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. For full program details and to register, visit windsorlibrary.com/Juneteenth-celebration.

June 22: The **WIN-TV Board of Directors** meets tonight from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM via Zoom. Email win-tv@win-tv.org for Zoom link. Free. 860-688-2626.

June 23: A Home Away from Home: Greater Hartford's West Indian Diaspora Exhibit opening, program, and WHS Annual Meeting at Windsor Historical Society is this evening from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Explore this fascinating exhibit and talk with curator and UCONN historian Prof. Fiona Vernal, PhD, whose oral histories and research bring to life the experiences of the region's West Indian people. Indoor/outdoor event with cocktails and brief WHS Annual Meeting. Face masks and social distancing required. \$5.00/public, members free. Visit windsorhistoricalsociety.org or call 860-688-3813.

June 24: First Town Downtown's **Farmers Market** is today and every Thursday this summer and fall through October 15 at 240 Broad Street. Enjoy a variety of fresh, locally grown produce and specialty items. Open from 3:00 PM to 6:30 PM. 860-247-8982 or firsttowndowntown.org.



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June 25: The Windsor Public Library will be having our **Summer Reading 2021 Kickoff** with a family movie night on the green starting at 7:30 PM. You will be able to sign up for summer reading, enjoy the movie, and grab a free book. Registration Required. Space is Limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 27: Ancestry Allies: 2021 Virtual Genealogy Help Day is today from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Join expert genealogists and specialists for a virtual genealogy help day! Get personal consultations on genealogy for beginners, general, Windsor, Canadian, Polish, Jewish, African-American, or other special focus areas. \$10.00 advanced registration needed. Visit windsorhistoricalsociety.org, email info@windsorhistoricalsociety.org, or call 860-688-3813.

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| Inland Wetland and Watercourses Commission | | | |
| July 6 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1987 |
| Public Building Commission | | | |
| July 13 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Ludlow Room | 860-285-1870 |
| Board of Ethics | | | |
| July 13 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Dr. Primus Room | 860-285-1800 |
| Town Planning and Zoning Commission | | | |
| July 13 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1950 |
| Economic Development Commission | | | |
| July 21 | 4:00 PM | Zoom or Ludlow Room | 860-285-1877 |
| Zoning Board of Appeals | | | |
| July 21 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Council Chambers | 860-285-1961 |
| Wilson/Deerfield Advisory Committee | | | |
| July 22 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or 330 Windsor Ave. | 860-285-1877 |
| Windsor Housing Authority | | | |
| July 28 | 3:00 PM | Zoom or 156 Bloomfield Ave. | 860-285-8090 |

JULY

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July 1: Become a Member of First Town Downtown, by supporting our mission to enhance and promote Windsor Center and its historic town green for all residents. Pricing varies for individuals, families, and businesses. Contact 860-247-8982 or visit firsttowndowntown.org.

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WINDSOR HUNGER ACTION TEAM

The Windsor Hunger Action Team is a committee made up of representatives from many civic organizations in town, members of the Social Services team, Board of Education Food Service, End Hunger Connecticut and many interested residents. The goal is to work on issues relating to hunger in our community. Meetings are held from August through June on the first Wednesday of each month. The committee welcomes new members.



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WINDSOR SOCIAL SERVICES

The Social Services Department hosts monthly groups and informational events throughout the year with various topics. These topics include issues relating health needs, financial services, insurance programs, energy assistance, veteran's benefits, and more. For information about the monthly events visit our website at townofwindsorct.com/socialservices or call 860-285-1839.

You can also find us on Facebook at Town of Windsor Social Services and on Twitter at @WindsorSocSrv.

Please call Social Services at 860-285-1839 or visit our website to check the status of these meetings or programs as they may have been modified or postponed due to COVID-19.

Windsor C.A.R.E.S. (Citizens Assisting Residents Everywhere by Sharing) meets monthly at the L.P. Wilson Community Center. This group provides an opportunity to get involved in community service projects that benefit others such as making sandwiches for homeless people, adopting a family, preparing a meal for a shelter and more. Volunteer for as little or as much as you can. Free.

The **Diabetic Support Group** meets monthly from September thru June at the L.P. Wilson Community Center in. This group welcomes those with diabetes and their family members. Free.

The **Grandparents Raising Grandchildren/Kin Support program** focuses on education, support and respite for grandparents in our community raising a second family. For information, call Deb Sheldon at 860-285-1839.

Windsor Food Bank

The Windsor Food Bank is open to Windsor residents who are income eligible. Supplemental food is provided including a variety of pantry items, fresh produce, and meat. Please see program eligibility requirements below.

Energy Assistance

Energy Assistance will be available to you through the Windsor Fuel Bank.

Groceries to Go

This program provides supplementary food items and educational materials to clients 60 and older every other Friday from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM at the LP Wilson Community Center. Clients in this program will receive a variety of easy to prepare and nutritious food choices. This program is funded in part by the Older Americans Act through the North Central Area Agency on Aging, Windsor Social Services and the Windsor Food and Fuel Bank. See program eligibility requirements below.

| Household Size | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8* |
|----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Annual Income | \$29,986 | \$40,514 | \$51,042 | \$61,570 | \$72,098 | \$82,626 | \$93,154 | \$103,682 |

*for each additional person add \$10,528



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The Caring Connection Windsor's Adult Day Health Care

Let's partner and provide the best care possible for your loved one.

The Caring Connection is a place for adults to spend their day with peers and caring staff in a supportive environment being active and engaging in fun and meaningful activity in a home like setting.

We welcome you to come visit and see for yourself at any of our "Third Thursday" Drive-by events.

June 17 • July 15 • August 9

4:30 PM to 6:00 PM

Meet our dedicated staff, schedule a COVID-safe tour, and learn how our adult day center can "change how your loved one lives not where."

The Caring Connection

330 Windsor Avenue, Windsor
860-547-0251

windsorcaringconnection.com
@WindsorCaringConnection

July 2-11: First Town Downtown and The Windsor Monarch Project invite you to the **Upcycled Planter Project**. Local artists have created monarch butterfly habitats using upcycled goods, tour them all at storefronts in Windsor Center. Vote for your favorite on Facebook! Free. Questions? Call 860-247-8982 or firsttowndowntown.org.

July 7: Some of our most beloved painters, sculptors and authors were inspired by the gardens they created. Visit the private havens of Edith Wharton, Julian Alden Weir, Child Hassam, Daniel Chester French, Emily Dickinson, Augustus Saint-Gaudens, and others with Jana Milbocker of Enchanted Gardens and the Main Library during **Artists' Gardens of New England** on Wednesday, July 7 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM via Zoom. Free. 860-285-1918.

July 8: Join the Main Library's **Virtual Book Club** for a lively discussion of *Sway* by Kat Spears. Discussions are held on Zoom on the second Thursday of every month from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Books are available at the Lending Desk, one month prior to each meeting. Free. 860-285-1918.

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SLOW YOUR ROLL



Our neighborhood Drive Wise program is back as we work together to calm traffic speeds and enhance bike and pedestrian safety in our neighborhoods. You may see the Drive Wise signs coming to your neighborhood! Residents in several neighborhoods are working together with town staff to coordinate the distribution of these signs. After the signs have been displayed for a period of time, the Windsor Police will assist in educating drivers that continue to speed in those areas. If you are interested in bringing the Drive Wise program to your neighborhood, call Allison Dondero at 860-285-1801 or email dondero@townofwindsorct.com.

July 8: First Town Downtown invites you to a **concert on the green** sponsored by the First Town Downtown Board of Directors featuring *Gene Donaldson & The Sting Rays* from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Free. Rain date, July 13. 860-247-8982 or firsttowndowntown.org.

July 15: Drive by The Caring Connection, Windsor's Adult Day Health Center located at 330 Windsor Avenue between 4:30 PM and 6:00 PM for our "Drive-by" **Third Thursdays Open House**. We'll be having cupcakes and playing "Wheel of Chance" with great prizes! Free. All are welcome. RSVP 860-547-0251 by July 13.

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July 17: Join us at the Wilson Branch Library from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM for an **Outdoor Afro Beats Workshop**. It's a fun and energetic class designed to explore a fusion of traditional West African moves and sounds and contemporary Afro beats. Artist Masem Enyong emphasizes the importance of creating a healthy sense of self and community where people are nice to one another, work as a team to accomplish a common goal, and have the confidence to share what they have learned. All ages. Free. Registration needed as space is limited. 860-247-8960.

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WEF Windsor Education Foundation Support Windsor teachers and students through the Windsor Education Foundation! Thanks to Geissler's Supermarket you can help WEF by sending us your Geissler's receipts! Geissler's donates 5% of the total. Receipts must total \$35+ (not including alcohol) and be dated within the last six months. Mail receipts to WEF, P.O. Box 86, Windsor, CT 06095



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| August 10 | 7:00 PM | Zoom or Ludlow Room | 860-285-1870 |
| Windsor Housing Authority | | | |
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August 11: Collections Spotlight: A Century of Change – Windsor's Streetscapes 1921-2021, at Windsor Historical Society today from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Join Archivist Michelle Tom for a fascinating photographic tour of Windsor's evolving streetscapes through examination of period photos from the Society's collections. A trip down memory lane! \$5.00 advanced registration needed. To register visit windsorhistoricalsociety.org, email info@windsorhistoricalsociety.org, or call 860-688-3813.

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August 17: A Century of Change – Windsor's Streetscapes 1921-2021, at Windsor Senior Center today from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Join Windsor Historical Society Archivist Michelle Tom for a fascinating photographic tour of Windsor's evolving streetscapes through examination of period photos from the Society's collections. A trip down memory lane! \$5.00 registration at Windsor Senior Center. 860-688-3813.

Compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act
The Town of Windsor strives to accommodate all participants in all of our programs. If you require special services in order for you to participate, please include this on your registration form and try to give us at least two weeks notice prior to the program.



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HELP KEEP WINDSOR BEAUTIFUL. Pick up your litter.

You can pitch in by participating in a community clean-up.
June 5, 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM,
Meet at town hall, 285-1800.

August 19: First Town Downtown's **Farmers Market** is today and every Thursday this summer and fall through October 15 at 240 Broad Street. Enjoy a variety of fresh, locally grown produce and specialty items. Open from 3:00 PM to 6:30 PM. 860-247-8982 or firsttowndowntown.org.

August 19: Drive by The Caring Connection, Windsor's Adult Day Health Center located at 330 Windsor Avenue between 4:30 PM and 6:00 PM for our "Drive-by" **Third Thursdays Open House**. Receive some sunflowers and summer treats. Free. All are welcome. RSVP 860-547-0251 by August 17.

August 19: First Town Downtown invites you to a **concert on the green** sponsored by Windsor Independent Living Association (WILA) featuring *Bus 13* from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Free. Rain date, August 24. 860-247-8982 or firsttowndowntown.org.

August 24: The **WIN-TV Board of Directors** meets tonight from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM via Zoom. Email win-tv@win-tv.org for Zoom link. Free. 860-688-2626.

August 26: First Town Downtown's **Farmers Market** is today and every Thursday this summer and fall through October 15 at 240 Broad Street. Enjoy a variety of fresh, locally grown produce and specialty items. Open from 3:00 PM to 6:30 PM. 860-247-8982 or firsttowndowntown.org.

August 26: We'll be collecting donations for the Windsor Food and Fuel Bank or the Pet Food Pantry to tonight's **concert on the green** sponsored by First Town Downtown featuring *Rock Solid Alibi* from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. Free. Rain date, August 31. 860-247-8982 or firsttowndowntown.org.

August 27: Are you a book enthusiast? Do you want to know what the next best book to read is? Are you part of a book club and are looking for the next title to discuss? Join your Windsor librarians for a **Book Buzz Event** on the Eagle Green in front of the Main Library to discuss books and reading on Friday, August 27 from 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM. In case of rain, this event will be held on Zoom. Registration Required. Space is Limited. Free. 860-285-1918.



DID YOU KNOW

Paint, electronics, mattresses and even old clothing can be recycled at the Windsor Transfer Station located at 500 Huckleberry Road – and it's free! We recycle 11 tons of paint related materials each year and haul out an average of 60 mattresses every week. These services are part of Connecticut's Stewardship Programs whereby every consumer pays a small fee when purchasing new paint or a mattress and those fees are used on the back end to cover the cost of proper disposal. On average, 63 tons of electronics and four tons of textiles also pass through our transfer station to be recycled. You can learn more about these recycling opportunities, the transfer station hours of operation and more at townofwindsorct.com or 860-285-1833.



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WINDSOR FORWARD



Not just **NICE** to have....**HAVE** to have

Experiencing nature has profound impacts on our health, and taking advantage of our local green spaces is a great first step to recuperation. COVID-19 has forced us into isolation at varying times and lengths, and it's left a need to restore and maintain our mental, physical, and emotional health. According to Yale Environment 360, "The studies point in one direction: Nature is not only nice to have, but it's a have-to-have for physical and cognitive function". Now more than ever, we are feeling how an immersion in nature benefits our health, reduces stress, and promotes healing.

Often referred to as "The Hidden Gem of Windsor," Northwest Park's 473 acres of former tobacco farmland nestled on the Farmington River has not been so "hidden" lately. Residents of Windsor and surrounding towns have taken advantage of the park during COVID, experiencing the biologically diverse forests, fields, and wetlands – natural areas that can be explored via 12 miles of hiking trails. Park experiences don't stop there; visit an array of heritage breed farm animals, look for signs of wildlife, stroll through organic and butterfly gardens, sign up for a guided hike or workshop, or relax under the sun for a picnic with the family.

Windsor is fortunate to have this beautiful open space, and we encourage you now, and well after the wave of COVID-19 to get out and explore. Educational and passive recreation experiences are offered every day for persons of all ages and abilities. Theresa Nodine, NWP Environmental Education Coordinator, advocates "as the weather warms it is a great opportunity for community members to reconnect with the outdoors and to reap the mental and physical health benefits nature has to offer. Studies have shown that spending 120 minutes per week in natural, green spaces improves overall mental and physical wellbeing. With over 473 acres and 12 miles of trails there is plenty to discover here at Northwest Park in all seasons!" So, what are you waiting for? Get out and absorb nature for two hours a week at Windsor's "Hidden Gem".

For more information on the park, visit their website at townofwindsorct.com/recreation/northwest-park



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Outdoor Bitty Basquiats



Join us every **Monday from 10:30am to 11:15am** on the lawn for an immersive paint-and-listen storytime for all ages! (no program August 9)



Registration needed. Call 860-247-8960 or visit windsorlibrary.com/wilson-branch

Bitty Basquiats is a free immersive art story time for children ages 3 to 7 on Mondays from July 12 through August 23 at Wilson Branch Library. This messy art experience will be held outdoors from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM and is a great opportunity to spark creativity! No program on August 9. Registration is needed as space is limited. 860-247-8960.

JUNE

 **June 10:** Join us for Windsor Public Library's **Virtual Storytime** for children ages 3 to 6 and their caregivers from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Our theme today is Camping. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 10: School age artists are welcome to come create art with us in **Afternoon Art** with the Windsor Public Library from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Each session we will focus on a different art style, technique, or artist. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 12: Join the Windsor Public Library from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM at Northwest Park for a **Pop Up Storywalk!** Walk along the trail while reading a fun story. Drop in. Free. 860-285-1914.

 **June 12:** As precursor to our Juneteenth Celebration, we present a virtual, **dramatic reading of "Day of Tears,"** Julius Lester's riveting novel-in-dialogue today from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM at the Wilson Branch Library. "Day of Tears" tells the story of the largest sale of enslaved individuals in American history. In early March, 1859, a Georgia plantation owner sold over 450 people to cover his gambling debts; this action would affect hundreds of lives for generations to come. The day was thereafter known as "The Day of Tears." Join Director Laurie Maria Cabral and the "Day of Tears" cast for this free public performance via Zoom. (Suitable for children grades three and up). Free. 860-247-8690.

 **June 14:** Celebrate National Children's Day with a **Virtual Storytime** with the Windsor Public Library for children ages 3 to 6 and their caregivers from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

 **June 15:** Test your trivia knowledge and win prizes during **Family Trivia via Zoom** with the Windsor Public Library from 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

 **June 17:** Join us from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM as we read through some of the Elementary Nutmeg books in **Let's Read,** a storytime for kids in grades K-3 with the Windsor Public Library. We will read one Elementary Nutmeg nominee each week and do activities along with it. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 19: Join us today at Wilson Branch Library for our **Juneteenth Celebration and Summer Reading Pre-Kick off** to celebrate Juneteenth and kick off summer! Registered participants will enjoy an interactive African Drum, Dance & Storytelling workshop, live readings from the Oliver Ellsworth "I Am Me" project, book give-a-ways, raffles and more. Families can register to reserve one of two timed tickets at 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM or 11:30 AM to 1:30 PM. For full program details and to register, visit windsorlibrary.com/juneteenth-celebration

June 21: WIN-TV's summer workshop KidVid I: TV Production for ages 8 to 14 will meet Monday through Friday through June 25 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Hands-on television production skills to create an original WIN-TV television show. Registration limited. \$125.00 including snack. 860-688-2626 or win-tv.org.



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WINDSOR FORWARD

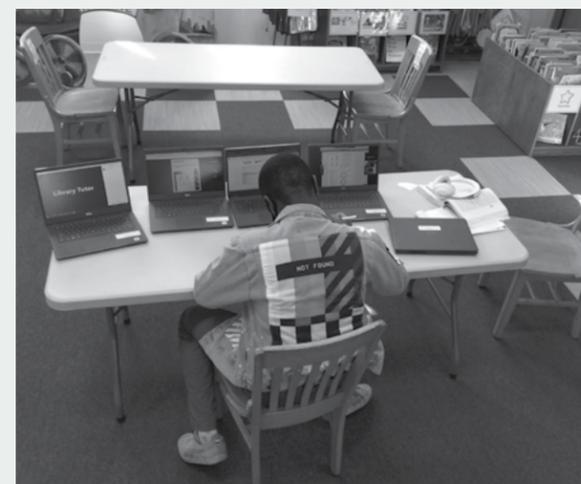


LIBRARY SERVICES KICKED TO THE CURB

"Curbside pickup" is one of many terms that gained renewed popularity with grocery stores and restaurants during COVID. But have you ever met our Windsor Librarians? They're always out ahead of the curve when it comes to serving their patrons, which is why the Windsor Public Library has been offering curbside pickup since 2018 – long before anyone heard of COVID! Curbside pickup along with many other popular library services (and some new ones) took center stage over the past year. The Windsor Public Library was one of the first libraries in Connecticut to open both their main and branch facilities with safety guidelines in place last June, and both residents and out of towners were here for it!

"...you all are doing a terrific job giving us a way to come together and a much needed distraction from life today..." Windsor resident Marlene Rusczyk

At the Wilson Branch Library, hybrid programs on holiday wreath making and origami were held. Patrons picked up the materials and tuned into a scheduled Zoom session at home to interact with an instructor leading the class. One macrame participant was so happy with her experience last November, she sent an email to the branch staff saying, "I recently moved to Windsor and the programs your branch and the main branch offer have just been fantastic. I mean, to even give us the materials... You all are doing a terrific job giving us a way to come together and a much needed distraction from life today."



At both library locations, with the support of the Windsor Library Association, virtual programs included: performers, book clubs and tutoring. Self-directed activities such as scavenger hunts and an outdoor hopscotch in front of the library were family favorites. Take home adult or child kits included tools and supplies needed for crafts projects such as sewing, loom weaving, spinning, photography or videography sparking creativity in Windsor homes.

Just like curbside pickup, many of these convenient, educational and fun services are here to stay! Learn about all library services at: windsorlibrary.com

Mitchell Bruce, a tutor at the Wilson Branch Library is pictured juggling four students at once during a virtual tutoring session at the Wilson Branch Library. Mitchell is on a 10-month contract through Public Allies CT, which is an organization that provides workforce development to people of diverse backgrounds looking to enter the non-profit and not-for-profit sector. Mitchell has a degree in Economics from UConn and will be assisting with tutoring at the branch through August.



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June 24: Join us for Windsor Public Library's **Virtual Storytime** for children ages 3 to 6 and their caregivers from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Our theme today is the Weather. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 24: School Age Artists are welcome to come create art with us in **Afternoon Art** with the Windsor Public Library from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Each session we will focus on a different art style, technique, or artist. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 25: The Windsor Public Library will be having our **Summer 2021 Kickoff** with a family movie night on the green starting at 7:30 PM and wrapping up at approximately 9:30 PM. You will be able to sign up for summer reading, enjoy the movie, and grab a free book. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 28: WIN-TV's summer workshop KidVid I: TV Production for ages 8 to 14 will meet Monday through Friday through July 2 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Hands-on television production skills to create an original WIN-TV television sitcom. Registration limited. \$125.00 including snack. 860-688-2626 or win-tv.org.

June 29: Introducing our special Summer Reading Themed Storytime: **Tails & Tales**, an animal themed story time for children ages 8 and under on Tuesdays through August 10 from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Enjoy stories, movement activities, and songs with the Windsor Public Library. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

June 30: Dance with us outside at the Wilson Branch Library from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM for **Sing & Stomp**. This music and movement based program is for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

JULY

July 1: Join us from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM as we read through some of the Elementary Nutmeg books in **Let's Read**, a story time for kids in grades K-3 with the Windsor Public Library. We will read one Elementary Nutmeg nominee each week and do activities along with it. Virtual via Zoom. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 2: Join us on Friday mornings through August 13 from 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM for **Virtual Book Babies**, a special story time of short stories, songs, and rhymes for children ages 2 and under and their caregivers with the Windsor Public Library. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 5: WIN-TV's summer workshop KidVid II: Filmmaking for ages 10 to 14 will meet Monday through Friday through July 9 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Students will learn the basics of filmmaking including camera, lighting and storyboarding to create original short films. Registration limited. \$125.00 including snack. 860-688-2626 or win-tv.org.

July 6: Join us for a special Summer Reading Themed Storytime: **Tails & Tales**, an animal themed story time for children ages 8 and under on Tuesdays through August 10 from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Enjoy stories, movement activities, and songs with the Windsor Public Library. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 7: Dance with us outside at the Windsor Public Library from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM for **Sing & Stomp**. This music and movement based program is for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 8: Join us for Windsor Public Library's **Virtual Storytime** for children ages 3 to 6 and their caregivers from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Our theme today is Tales of the Ocean. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 8: School Age Artists are welcome to come create art with us in **Afternoon Art** with the Windsor Public Library from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Each session we will focus on a different art style, technique, or artist. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 10: Join the Windsor Public Library at Northwest Park for a **Pop Up Storywalk!** Walk along the trail from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM while reading a fun story. Drop in. Free.

July 12: WIN-TV's summer workshop KidVid II: Filmmaking for ages 10 to 14 will meet Monday through Friday through July 16 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Students will learn the basics of filmmaking including camera, lighting and storyboarding to create original short films. Registration limited. \$125.00 including snack. 860-688-2626 or win-tv.org.



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July 14: Dance with us outside at the Wilson Branch Library from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM for **Sing & Stomp**. This music and movement based program is for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 15: Join us from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM as we read through some of the Elementary Nutmeg books in **Let's Read**, a story time for kids in grades K-3 with the Windsor Public Library. We will read one Elementary Nutmeg nominee each week and do activities along with it. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 16: Celebrate National Ice Cream Day with a **Virtual Storytime** with the Windsor Public Library for children ages 3 to 6 and their caregivers from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 17: Join us at the Wilson Branch Library from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM for an **Outdoor Afro Beats Workshop** – a fun and energetic class designed to explore a fusion of traditional West African moves and sounds and contemporary Afro beats. Artist Masem Enyong emphasizes the importance of creating a healthy sense of self and community where people are nice to one another, work as a team to accomplish a common goal, and have the confidence to share what they have learned. All ages. Free. Registration needed as space is limited. 860-247-8960.

July 19: WIN-TV's summer KidVid Elite for ages 12 to 15 will meet Monday through Friday through July 30 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Advanced production students will use professional level equipment and software. Students must audition and be selected. Prerequisite: Audition video. Registration limited. \$245.00. 860-688-2626 or win-tv.org.

July 19: Join us from 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM to win free books by playing **Book Bingo** with the Windsor Library on the Eagle Green. Open to all ages. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 20: Test your trivia knowledge and win prizes during **Family Trivia via Zoom** with the Windsor Public Library from 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 21: Dance with us outside at the Eagle Green next to the Main Library from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM for **Sing & Stomp**. This music and movement based program is for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 22: Join us for Windsor Public Library's **Virtual Storytime** for children ages 3 to 6 and their caregivers from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Our theme today is Let's Take a Ride. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 22: School Age Artists are welcome to come create art with us in **Afternoon Art** with the Windsor Public Library from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. Each session we will focus on a different art style, technique, or artist. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 28: Dance with us outside at the Wilson Branch Library from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM for **Sing & Stomp**. This music and movement based program is for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 28: Readers entering grades 4 to 6 are welcome to join us for **Cover to Cover Book Club** via Zoom from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM. This month we are reading *Ban This Book* by Alan Gratz. Copies are available to check out at the lending desk beginning June 14. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

July 29: Join us from 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM as we read through some of the Elementary Nutmeg books in **Let's Read**, a story time for kids in grades K-3 with the Windsor Public Library. We will read one Elementary Nutmeg nominee each week and do activities along with it. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

AUGUST

August 2: WIN-TV's Summer Independent Production for ages 15 to 18 will meet Monday through Friday through August 6 from 9:00 AM to noon. Independent time for teens to come in and use production equipment and get staff assistance to create a video of their choice. Prerequisite: Previous video production experience required whether self-taught or thru WIN-TV. Registration limited. \$60.00. 860-688-2626 or win-tv.org.



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August 2: Join us from 4:00 PM to 4:45 PM to win free books by playing **Book Bingo** with the Windsor Library on the Eagle Green. Open to all ages. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

August 3: Join us for a special Summer Reading Themed Storytime: **Tails & Tales**, an animal themed story time for children ages 8 and under on Tuesdays through August 10 from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Enjoy stories, movement activities, and songs with the Windsor Public Library. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

August 4: Dance with us outside at the Eagle Green next to the Main Library from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM for **Sing & Stomp**. This music and movement based program is for children ages 5 and under and their caregivers. Registration needed as space is limited. Free. 860-285-1914.

August 5: Join us for Windsor Public Library's **Virtual Storytime** for children ages 3 to 6 and their caregivers from 10:30 AM to 11:15 AM. Our theme today is Tales of Outer Space. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

August 6: Join us on Friday mornings through August 13 from 11:00 AM to 11:30 AM for **Virtual Book Babies**, a special story time of short stories, songs, and rhymes for children ages 2 and under and their caregivers with the Windsor Public Library. Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.

August 9: Join the Windsor Library and the Endangered Ark Foundation to virtually **Paint with an Elephant** from 11:00 AM to 11:45 AM. Let Delrita the elephant show you how she paints with her foot and truck and paint along with her! Registration needed. Free. 860-285-1914.



WINDSOR DISCOVERY CENTER AND MONTESSORI SCHOOL

"We've had our kids in the aftercare program for more than 8 years now, and it's still our top choice. It's not just the best aftercare program in town, it's the best program imaginable. We consider the staff like family, and our kids would rather spend time at Windsor Discovery Center than anywhere else...including at home!"

– Mark Winniger, Parent

Windsor Discovery Center and Windsor Montessori School provides Montessori programs for students ages 6 weeks to 5-years-old and after school care for students Kindergarten-sixth grade. Call now to secure your space for the 2021-2022 school year. The Discovery Center is located in Windsor's beautiful downtown Historic District. Our full time staff are Montessori Certified and/or degreed in education. Our NAEYC Accredited facility is fully operational committed to following all COVID Safety Guidelines as recommended by CDC. Hours are 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM. Enroll now for summer program and/or the 2021-2022 school year. Visit our website at windsormontessorict.com. Call 860-285-1400 for more information.

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Recreation in Windsor Summer 2021

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There are three convenient ways to register for Windsor Recreation and Leisure Services Programs:

Walk-in – Complete a registration form and bring it along with a check payable to: Town of Windsor to: 599 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, CT 06095.

Mail-in Registration – Complete a registration form and mail with a check payable to: Town of Windsor 599 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, CT 06095.

Online – Perhaps the easiest way to register for Recreation and Leisure programs is to use our online registration system. Register at townofwindsorct.com/recreation.

Windsor Recreation and Leisure Services Refund Policy

All refunds will be credited to your customer account unless program registration fee was paid by credit card, in which case a refund will be credited back to your credit card account. Refunds processed back to credit cards usually appear on the next month's statement. If you have any questions regarding the refund policy, please call us at 860-285-1990.

Cancellations

For the latest information and cancellations of Windsor Recreation and Leisure Services activities, call 860-285-1988.

Scholarships

Scholarship funds are limited and a completed application must be submitted before Friday, May 28.

Windsor Recreation & Leisure Services also accepts payments for programs from Care 4 Kids, The Department for Children and Families, The Village for Families and Children, The Institute of Professional Practice, Catholic Charities and many other social service agencies. These arrangements must be made before Friday, May 14. Payment plans are available but payment plans for Summer Fun Camps require a two week payment to enroll. Call 860-285-1990.

ACTIVITIES AT NORTHWEST PARK

May

May 22: Join master naturalist Brad Robinson at Northwest Park from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM on a **hike to look for clues on how to read the landscape**. Northwest Park is a great place to search for indicators of past land use and history of the park's land from ancient times until recently. We will look at vegetation, soil type, land forms and perhaps some indicators of animal life. We will also point out invasive plants, to help with

identification for those who might wish to remove them from their own property. Sponsored by the Friends of Northwest Park. Ages 10+. Free. Preregistration needed as space is limited. 860-285-1886.

May 26: Come out to Northwest Park for a guided **Full Moon Hike** from 8:30 PM to 10:00 PM. This moon is known as the "Full Flower Moon" to signify the flowers that bloom during this month. Ages 14 and up. \$12.00 Windsor residents; \$16.00 non-residents. Preregistration needed as space is limited. 860-285-1886.

August

August 22: Come out to Northwest Park for a guided **Full Moon Hike** from 8:00 PM to 9:30 PM. We will explore the rich chorus of field insects at twilight and enjoy watching August's "Sturgeon Moon" rise above us. Ages 14 and up. \$12.00 Windsor resident; \$16.00 non-residents. Preregistration needed as space is limited. 860-285-1886.

ENRICHMENT

May

May 16: Let well-known dog trainer Laurie Fass help you bring out the very best in your family pet at the **Dog Training Class Level 1** from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM at the L.P. Wilson Community Center on Sundays through June 20. Activities will include leash manners, sit, stay, heel, come, drop it, and more. Learn how to communicate in a way that makes sense to your dog. (Group classes are not appropriate for dogs with aggression issues.) \$90.00 for Windsor residents and \$100.00 for non-residents. Call 860-667-1847 or email lauriefassdogtraining.com with specific questions about your dog and the training, or 860-285-1990 with other questions.

July

July 11: Well-known dog trainer Laurie Fass is back to help you bring out the very best in your family pet at the **Dog Training Class Level 1** from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM on Sundays at the L.P. Wilson Community Center through August 15. See May 16 listing for details.

SPECIAL EVENTS

May

May 2: K-9 Meet Up and Hike at the East Barber River Trail. Grab your four-legged best friend and head down to the East Barber River Trail for a K-9 meet-up and hike from 11:00 AM to noon. Enjoy the scenic paved walking trail that winds along the Connecticut River for approximately one mile. Free. 860-285-1990 or townofwindsorct.com/recreation.

June

June 5: A **Connecticut Trails Day Hike** along the East Barber River Trail takes place today from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM. Come enjoy this beautiful, paved walking trail that winds its way down the scenic Connecticut River for about a mile. We will meet at the beginning of the trail next to the boat launch. This event is sponsored by the Connecticut Trails Day Weekend. Free. 860-285-1990.

July

July 9: An **Outdoor Movie Under the Stars** will be shown tonight at the L.P. Wilson Community Center from 8:15 PM to 10:00 PM. The movie will be shown on our 22-foot portable inflatable screen. Admission to the movie is free. Blankets, flashlights, and lawn chairs are encouraged. Pack a picnic or snacks and a drink, grab a blanket and take the whole family to enjoy a great outdoor movie experience. Free. 860-285-1990.

August

August 6: An **Outdoor Movie Under the Stars** will be shown tonight at the L.P. Wilson Community Center from 8:15 PM to 10:00 PM. The movie will be shown on our 22-foot portable inflatable screen. Admission to the movie is free. Blankets, flashlights, and lawn chairs are encouraged. Pack a picnic or snacks and a drink, grab a blanket and take the whole family to enjoy a great outdoor movie experience. Free. 860-285-1990.

SPORTS & FITNESS

May

May 4: The Windsor School of Self Defense is offering **Karate** classes that meet from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the L.P. Wilson Community Center monthly throughout the year. \$35.00 per month. Register monthly at the L.P. Wilson Community Center or online at townofwindsorct.com/recreation. 860-285-1990.

June

June 1: Join us this summer for **Outdoor Yoga** at the L.P. Wilson Community Center in the back soccer field, every Thursday from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM through June 24. (We officially started May 6th – but all are welcome to join in.) Unwind and enjoy a breath of fresh air while you connect with nature, improve your health and relax with other yogis. Each all-level class incorporates yoga postures, breathing techniques, and mindfulness to inspire balance, and improve flexibility. Please bring water, a yoga mat, or a towel. All classes are weather permitting. Beginners welcome! \$5.00 per class and kids under 10 are free. 860-285-1990.

June 3: The Windsor School of Self Defense is offering **Karate** classes that meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the L.P. Wilson Community Center and are ongoing throughout the year. Register monthly at the L.P. Wilson Community Center or online at townofwindsorct.com. \$35.00 per month. 860-285-1990.

June 21: If you are a youngster from 8 to 14 years old, join this session of **Shake and Bake Basketball Camp**. The camp, which meets from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through June 25 at Stroh Park, will break down this exhilarating sport into FUNdamental skills that all athletes, no matter their skill level, need to succeed. Participants will receive a t-shirt. \$150.00. 860-285-1990.

June 21: Windsor Warriors Baseball Camp for boys ages 7 to 14 begins today from 9:00 AM to noon and continues through June 24 at the Windsor High School varsity baseball field. The camp will include basic mechanics of throwing and catching, hitting fundamentals, offense and defense situations, strategy, and team play. Each participant will receive a t-shirt. \$110.00. 860-285-1990.

June 21: Calling all water enthusiasts looking to enhance your fitness training options. Splash into **Water Fitness** classes that meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 7:15 PM to 8:15 PM through July 15 at the Welch Park pool. Our water fitness expert will teach everyone how to use the natural resistance of water to tone your overall body. \$90.00. 860-285-1990.

June 28: Shake and Bake Basketball Camp will meet from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through July 2. See June 21 listing for details.

June 29: Start Smart Soccer is a great way to enhance parent/child bonding for children 3 to 6 years old. Parents work together with their children in a supportive environment to create a fun and positive experience while learning the basics of soccer. This class will teach basic skills like dribbling, passing, kicking, and other fun interactive games. Classes are held on Tuesdays through August 3rd from 6:00 PM to 6:50 PM at Sharshon Park. The rain location is the Community Center at 330 Windsor Avenue. \$55.00. 860-285-1990.

June 30: Start Smart Basketball is a great way to enhance parent/child bonding for children 3 to 6 years old. Parents work with their children in a supportive environment to create a fun and positive experience while learning the basics of basketball. This class will teach a variety of skills including dribbling, ball-handling, shooting, passing, catching, running, and agility. Start Smart is held at Sharshon Park (rain location is the Community Center at 330 Windsor Avenue) on Wednesdays until August 4th from 6:00 PM to 6:50 PM. \$55.00. 860-285-1990.

July

July 1: The Windsor School of Self Defense is offering **Karate** classes that meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the L.P. Wilson Community Center and are ongoing throughout the year. Register monthly at the L.P. Wilson Community Center or online at townofwindsorct.com. \$35.00 per month. 860-285-1990.

July 1: Join us this summer for **Outdoor Yoga** at the L.P. Wilson Community Center in the back soccer field, every Thursday from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM through August 19. Unwind and enjoy a breath of fresh air while you connect with nature, improve your health and relax with other yogis. Each all-level class incorporates yoga postures, breathing techniques, and mindfulness to inspire balance, and improve flexibility. Please bring water, a yoga mat, or a towel. All classes are weather permitting. Beginners welcome! \$5.00 per class and kids under 10 are free. 860-285-1990.

July 6: If you are between 8 to 14 years old, join this session of **Shake and Bake Basketball Camp**. The camp, which meets from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through July 9 (no camp July 5) at Stroh Park, will break down this exhilarating sport into FUNdamental skills that all athletes, no matter their skill level, need to succeed. Participants will receive a t-shirt. \$120.00. 860-285-1990.

July 12: Shake and Bake Basketball Camp will meet from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through July 16. See July 6 listing for details.

July 12: Magic Lincer Tennis Academy is holding weekly **Tennis Camps** from 9:00 AM to noon, Monday through Friday, through August 20 at the Sage Park tennis courts for kids ages 3 to 17. All participants will learn proper techniques in a fun and organized environment. Please bring a tennis racquet, a water bottle, and a snack. \$80.00 per week. 860-285-1990.

July 20: At Windsor's **Youth Cricket Program** players will learn all aspects of the game from batting and bowling to fielding. Coaches will help players learn the game while keeping the emphasis on having fun. The program will be held at the Clover Street cricket field on Tuesdays from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM through August 23. Free. 860-285-1990.

July 26: Shake and Bake Basketball Camp will meet from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through July 30. See July 6 listing for details.

WINDSOR FORWARD



CAMP PROVIDES TOGETHERNESS DURING A "STAY APART" SUMMER



Last summer, Windsor Recreation and Leisure Services was one of just a handful of Connecticut recreation departments to provide a summer camp experience for kids ages 5 to 11 with no program shut downs and no positive COVID-19 cases.

"We were handed cards we didn't want," said Shannon Blenis, Recreation Supervisor pictured above left. "We wanted the best and safest experience for campers, parents and staff. That meant running a normal camp operating under a new normal, but we never gave up." Little did she know her biggest challenge would result in her biggest reward as a recreation professional.

There were many modifications and safety precautions put in place. The camp was run at three different locations. Field trips were replaced with "In-trips" including special theme days, visits from the Yard Goats mascot Chompers and outdoor mini golf brought to camp locations. Instead of multiple trips to the pool each week, each camp cohort spent an entire day at the pool site, enjoying swimming, lunch and other activities.

So what will this summer look like? Basically the same according to Blenis with a slight increase in group size as allowed by the state.

One adaptation, and unexpected outcome, was the drop-off/pick-up routine at the beginning and end of the camp day. Instead of a mass check-in area, councilors greeted each parent at their car when they dropped off their camper. A health assessment and temperature check of the camper provided valuable face time for the councilors and parents, that Blenis, herself with more than 20 years' experience running summer youth camps noted developed deeper relationships and increased communication between parents, staff and the camper. A more human touch, in a time we were physically apart. The increased and strengthened parental interface will remain a component of future camps. So powerful.

Blenis said, "It was the most rewarding summer of my life."

SPORTS & FITNESS (CONT)

August

August 2: Calling all water enthusiasts looking to enhance your fitness training options. Splash into **Water Fitness** classes that meet on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 7:15 PM to 8:15 PM through August 12 at the Welch Park pool. Our water fitness expert will teach everyone how to use the natural resistance of water to tone your overall body. \$45.00. 860-285-1990.

August 2: If you are between 8 to 14 years old, join this session of **Shake and Bake Basketball Camp**. The camp, which meets from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through August 6 at Stroh Park, will break down this exhilarating sport into FUNdamental skills that all athletes, no matter their skill level, need to succeed. Participants will receive a t-shirt. \$150.00. 860-285-1990.

August 3: The Windsor School of Self Defense is offering **Karate** classes that meet every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM at the L.P. Wilson Community Center and are ongoing throughout the year. Register monthly at the L.P. Wilson Community Center or online at townofwindsorct.com. \$35.00 per month. 860-285-1990.

August 3: Magic Lincer Tennis Academy is holding a Tuesday **Adult Tennis Program** from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM, today through August 24, at the Sage Park tennis courts. Join in and you'll learn proper tennis techniques in a fun and organized environment. \$80.00. 860-285-1990.

August 9: Shake and Bake Basketball Camp will meet from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through August 13. See the August 2 listing for details.

August 23: Shake and Bake Basketball Camp will meet from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM through August 27. See the August 2 listing for details.

SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Fun Camp is for campers ages 5 to 13*camper must have completed kindergarten. Summer Fun Camp will be held from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM, Monday through Friday. Campers will enjoy an extraordinary summer camp experience filled with organized games, activities, sports, swimming, arts and crafts, special events, friends, and fun new experiences. \$145.00 per week. Scholarships and payment plans are available.

Similar to last summer, we are unable to offer extended hours from 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM or 4:00 PM to 5:30 PM.

Space is limited! We can't wait to see you all for the BEST. SUMMER. EVER!

Locations:

Summer Fun Camp will be held at 3 locations based on the age of campers:

Clover Street Camp: Ages 5 to 7 years old

L.P. Wilson Camp: Ages 8 to 10 years old

Community Center at 330 Windsor Avenue Camp:

Ages 11 to 13 years old

Camp Weeks:

Week 1 June 28 to July 2

Week 2 July 5 to July 9 (No camp on July 4)

Week 3 July 12 to July 16

Week 4 July 19 to July 23

Week 5 July 26 to July 30

Week 6 August 2 to August 6

Week 7 August 9 to August 13

Foxfire Summer Nature Camps at Northwest Park

Camp Foxfire offers week-long nature programs that engage children in active, field-based exploration and discovery within our 473 acre campus. All lessons are designed to stimulate scientific thinking and collaborative problem solving. Northwest Park's staff are highly qualified individuals who enjoy working with children. All staff members are certified in First Aid and CPR. Camps are based on the grade your child will enter in the fall.

Pre K-Kindergarten

Pre K and Kindergarten campers must be at least 4 years old by June 1, 2021 and potty trained. 9:00 AM to noon. \$175.00 Windsor residents; \$190.00 non-residents.

Moo, Cluck, Baaaa! (June 28-July 2): Who says 'moo'? Which animals lay eggs? Do donkeys like to play? Snuggle a chick, waddle with a duck, and get to know our farm animals during this week of barnyard discovery!

Dinosaurs Alive! (July 5-9): Explore Northwest Park's prehistoric residents! Dig in the sand for dinosaur bones, explore what foods they ate to survive, and compare your own foot to our real dinosaur track!

Woodsy World (July 12-16): Who lives in the forest? What animals climb into the trees? Do all trees feel the same when we hug them? Meet forest animals up close, roll over logs, and get hands-on in the forest this week!

I Spy Nature! (July 19-23): How many colors can you find in the field? What shapes are on a turtle's shell? Can you spot a bird in the garden? Spend the week spying on the secrets of Northwest Park!

Creepy Crawlies (July 26-30): Creep like an ant, crawl like a beetle, and squirm like a worm! Join us this week to look under logs, explore the gardens, and investigate the water for our creepy crawly neighbors.

Wet & Wonderful (August 2-6): Explore water and all of the wonderful animals who live in it. Get hands-on and wet with frogs and tadpoles one day and then discover how water moves another day! We have a whole week of wet and wonderful ways for you to keep cool and learn.

1st – 2nd Grade

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

\$285.00 Windsor residents; \$310.00 non-residents

Farmania (June 28-July 2): Why are sheep so fluffy? What do goats really eat? Can chickens fly? Bury your fingers in fresh wool, make fresh churned butter, and come explore the barnyard and all of its furry and feathery fun!

Dynamic Dinos (July 5-9): This week you will become a paleontologist at Northwest Park. Experience the excitement of discovery as you examine fossils, dig for dinosaur bones, and uncover which dinosaurs once roamed Connecticut!

Wildlife Explorers (July 12-16): Grab your magnifying glasses and get ready for a week full of outdoor exploration. Discover signs of wildlife left behind on the forest floor, identify birds by the song they sing, and use special tools to discover what wildlife lives in our pond.

Nature Detectives (July 19-23): Who lives under a log? What are the turtles doing in the field? What kind of tadpoles are in the pond? How do frogs get up into trees? As Nature Detectives this week you will investigate by scooping those tadpoles, meeting those frogs, and rolling that log looking for answers!



Bugs Alive! (July 26-30): Get to know the wacky world of bugs! From their wild colors to their beautiful wings, we will find them, examine them, and...maybe...learn to like them? By the end of the week you will be fascinated by this mighty micro world all around us!

Drip, Drip, Drop! (August 2-6): During this hot August week, while the sweat drips off of us, we'll drop in on the lives of water creatures! How do ducks keep cool? What about fish and frogs? Cool off with water games, meet aquatic creatures and imitate our wonderful water-loving animal friends.

3rd – 5th Grade

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

\$295.00-\$325.00 Windsor residents;

\$320.00-\$350.00 non-residents

Junior Farmers (June 28- July 2): Experience what life is like on our working heritage breed farm. From morning chores like watering and collecting eggs, to planting seeds and identifying parts of plants, campers get to be farmhands for the week while getting up close with our favorite furred & feathered animal residents! \$295.00 Windsor Residents; \$320.00 non-residents.

Time Travelers (July 5-9): Go back in time as we discover evidence of the past at Northwest Park. Did dinosaurs once roam the trails? Uncover geological evidence like fossils and rock formations and learn why birds are considered to be living dinosaurs. This week includes a special field trip to the Connecticut Science Center where you will be taken back in time on a dinosaur adventure and a tour of an Earth very different from today. \$325.00 Windsor residents; \$350.00 non-residents.

Tracks & Traces (July 12-16): From scat, to tracks, to camouflage, the forest is full of mysteries! Join us as we work together to uncover the hidden world of Northwest Park. Practice basic tracking techniques, meet live animals up close, learn to read clues in the landscape, and decipher animal communication as we discover the adaptations that help animals survive in the wilderness. \$295.00 Windsor residents; \$320.00 non-residents.

STEAM (July 19-23): Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math will be what this week is all about. We'll create exciting experiments, build a dam like a beaver, learn how solar panels work, and discover art in Nature. Get ready to think, build, and test your critical thinking skills! This week includes a special field trip to the Connecticut Science Center for more investigations! \$325.00 Windsor residents; \$350.00 non-residents.

Invertebrate Investigators (July 26-30): Whether they have six legs, eight legs, or no legs at all, bugs and other small squirming organisms are all around us and play an important role in the ecosystem. Prepare to get your hands dirty as we dig in the garden, look under logs and search the pond to find these creatures. \$295.00 Windsor residents; \$320.00 non-residents.

H2Whoa! (August 2-6): The Earth is a watery place. But just how much water exists on, in, and above our planet? Cool down with a canoe trip on Rainbow Reservoir, transform into a water molecule as we visualize how water moves through the water cycle, goop scoop to discover the species that live in the pond and more! Come prepared to get wet every day this week! \$295.00 Windsor residents; \$320.00 non-residents.

6th – 8th Grade

9:00 AM to 4:00 PM
\$345.00-\$365.00 Windsor residents;
\$370.00-\$390.00 non-residents

State Park Spectacular (June 28-July 2): Explore several Connecticut State Parks! Hike along the blue blazed forest trails, search for waterfalls, and look for signs of wildlife while we discover many unique areas of Connecticut. \$355.00 Windsor residents; \$380.00 non-residents.

Forest Forensics (July 5-9): The forest landscape tells a story if you know how to interpret the clues left behind. Discover and debunk mysteries of the forest as we investigate what happened at Northwest Park decades ago. Learn the secrets trees keep beneath their bark and how they spread information in silence, unveil the identities of mysterious organisms, uncover clues left behind in scat, tracks & other animal evidence, and discover the

role entomology plays in solving crimes. There will be a special extended session on Thursday night at Northwest Park from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM! \$365.00 Windsor residents; \$390.00 non-residents.

Wildlife Career Camp (July 12-16): Do you love animals and want to know how you can work with them in the future? This exploratory camp will allow campers to meet professionals who work with wildlife in different ways, study local wildlife here at Northwest Park, and participate in hands-on habitat enrichment projects, as we give the animal lover in your life a taste of what it takes to be successful in the wildlife field. \$345.00 Windsor residents; \$370.00 non-residents.

Finding Your Way (July 19-23): What would you do if you were lost in the wilderness? Expand your outdoor living skills by building shelters out of natural materials, learning to navigate using the stars, natural features and GPS, starting a fire without a match using primitive technology, and preparing your own meal through outdoor cooking. There will be a special extended session on Thursday night at Northwest Park from 4:00 PM to 10:00 PM! \$365.00 Windsor residents; \$390.00 non-residents.

Living on the Edge (July 26-30): Edge habitats are the spaces that exist between two different types of ecosystems. Discover the importance of the edge of the forest, field, and marsh to our local wildlife through field study and special trip to Hammonasset State Park. \$345.00 Windsor residents; \$370.00 non-residents.

Farmington River Ramblin' (August 2-6): Discover wildlife, ecology, and history of the Farmington River through wet & wild exploration. Canoe the Rainbow Reservoir and discover the importance of the historic Rainbow Hydroelectric dam, hike along trails that wind beside the river both onsite and offsite, and take a special trip to explore People's State Forest before canoeing the West Branch of the river. \$355.00 Windsor residents; \$380.00 non-residents.

For more information on Camp Foxfire, scholarships, payment and refund policies call Northwest Park at 860-285-1886, or register online at townofwindsorct.com/recreation/northwest-park/.

AQUATICS



Windsor Recreation and Leisure Services is excited to announce that our pools will be open this summer for you to enjoy. We have been monitoring information from the state and working with the health department to ensure all necessary safety precautions are in place. Similar to last year, there will be a modified schedule that will allow for frequent cleaning of facilities and railings, a reduction in our pool capacities and limited seating to ensure that we follow all safety guidelines.

There will be recreational and lap swim sessions, as well as designated senior swim time, weather permitting, each day beginning July 1, 2021. There will be time in between each sessions for our staff to do a thorough cleaning of the bath house facility and railings.

Swim lessons will be offered this summer. Unfortunately, the number of participants and lesson offerings will be limited due to social distancing. We are able to only offer lessons to those

in levels Parent Tot, Water Adjustment with a Parent/Guardian, Level 4 and Level 5. You may start to register for lessons and pool passes on Monday, June 22 at 8:00 AM. To view our lesson offerings please visit townofwindsorct.com/recreation

To ensure social distancing on the pool deck, surfaces will be properly marked with arrows guiding our guests in a one-way flow of traffic.

Our touchless process for entering the pool includes being able to reserve your session time starting at 8:00 AM the day before by using our online registration system. We highly encourage you to reserve and pay for your time slot(s) in advance as the pools have a limited capacity.

Staff will be disinfecting railings, door handles/gates and bath houses at the completion of each swim session. We ask that you do not use the pool if you have a cough, fever or other symptoms of illness. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to our department at 860-285-1990.

POOL PASSES

Why wait? Get your pool passes before the season starts. Beginning May 20, pool passes will be available for purchase in the Recreation office or online at townofwindsorct.com/recreation. New this year, you can also purchase your pool passes at the pools beginning Saturday, June 19. All members on a pool pass must reside in the same household. Passes are virtual passes. All members will be asked to take a picture (\$2.50 per adult, \$1.50 per child, and \$1.50 per senior). All children under 2 years of age swim for free and must have a swim diaper. Passes are \$35.00 per adult, \$25.00 for a child or senior, and \$60.00 for a family pass.





June

June 26: Splish – Splash is a program exclusively for people with developmental and/or cognitive impairments. The emphasis is on development of swimming skills and increasing range of motion on an individual basis. Splish-Splash meets every Saturday from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM through August 7 at the Welch Park Pool and is taught by one of our certified lifeguards. Lessons are 30 minutes and provide one-on-one instruction. Due to COVID-19, a parent or guardian must be in the water with the child. \$55.00 per session. 860-285-1990.

10:00 AM to 10:30 AM
10:30 AM to 11:00 AM

June 21: Adult Swim Lessons are designed especially for beginning adults wishing to overcome their fear of the water or those who want to improve swimming technique and ability. Adult lessons are offered at Welch Pool on Mondays from 7:15 PM to 8:15 PM through August 12. \$65.00. 860-285-1990.

June 22: Adult Swim Lessons are offered at Welch Pool on Tuesdays from 7:15 PM to 8:15 PM through August 13. \$65.00. 860-285-1990.

June 24: Adult Swim Lessons are designed especially for beginning adults wishing to overcome their fear of the water or those who want to improve swimming technique and ability. Adult lessons are offered at Welch Pool on Thursdays from 7:15 PM to 8:15 PM through August 15. \$65.00. 860-285-1990.

SUMMER SWIM LESSONS

Registration for swim lessons for Windsor residents will begin on Thursday, May 20 at 8:00 AM online and at the L.P. Wilson Community Center. Lessons are held Monday through Thursday with Fridays for weather makeup lessons only. Swim lessons are \$30.00 for the first child, \$46.00 for two children, and \$62.00 for the family maximum, per two-week session. Note that you can register online and automatically receive the multi-family discount. Due to COVID-19 guidelines, availability and lesson offerings may be very limited.

Registration for swim lessons for *non-Windsor residents* will begin on Thursday, May 27 at 8:00 AM online and at the L.P. Wilson Community Center. Lessons are held Monday through Thursday with Friday for weather makeup lessons only. Swim lessons are \$50.00 per child, per two-week session. Due to COVID-19 guidelines, availability and lesson offerings may be very limited.

SWIM LESSON DESCRIPTIONS

Level 1 – Introduction to Water Skills

Requirements: None

Skills Covered: Entering and exiting the water safely, learning to submerge mouth, nose, and eyes and control breathing, front and back float and recovering to a stand, changing direction in the water, swimming 5 feet on front and back.

Level 2 – Fundamental Aquatic Skills

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 1 certificate or demonstrate all of the Level 1 skills.

Skills Covered: Entering water by stepping or jumping in from the side, submerging entire head, blowing bubbles, open eyes underwater, front and back glide, swim 15 feet on their front and 10 feet on their back, swim on the side, life jacket use.

Level 3 – Stroke Development

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 2 certificate or demonstrate all of the Level 2 skills.

Skills Covered: Jump into deep water, head first entry from sitting or kneeling, submerging and retrieving an object, bobbing, survival float for 30 seconds, treading water for 30 seconds, front crawl 15 yards, butterfly 15 feet, back crawl 15 yards, elementary rescues, safe diving, check-call-care.

Level 4 – Stroke Improvement

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 3 certificate or demonstrate all of the Level 3 skills.

Skills Covered: Diving, underwater swimming, feet-first surface dive, 1 minute of survival floating, treading and back floating, 25 yards of front crawl, breaststroke and back crawl, 15 yards of butterfly, elementary backstroke and sidestroke, compact jump from height in a lifejacket, throwing assists and caring for an unconscious choking victim.

Level 5 – Stroke Refinement

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 4 certificate or demonstrate all of the Level 4 skills.

Skills Covered: Shallow dive, tuck and pike surface dives, 2 minutes of survival floating, back float and treading water, flip turns on the front and back, 50 yards front and back crawl, 25 yards butterfly, breaststroke, elementary backstroke and sidestroke, 2 minutes of survival swimming, rescue breathing.

Level 6 – Swimming and Skill Proficiency

Requirements: Students entering this level must possess a Level 5 certificate or demonstrate all of the Level 5 skills.

Skills Covered: 500 yards continuous swim using 100 yards each of front and back crawl, 50 yards each of breaststroke, elementary backstroke, sidestroke and butterfly and 100 yards choice of any of those strokes, survival floating and back floating 5 minutes each, feet first surface dive and retrieve an object from 7 feet, Cooper 12-minute swim test.

2021 SUMMER POOL SCHEDULE

| Welch Pool 860-688-4934 | |
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| Weekdays – June 21 to August 13 | |
| 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM | Lessons |
| 10:30 AM to 11:30 AM | Senior (50+) Swim |
| 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM | Lap Swim/Senior Swim |
| 12:45 PM to 2:45 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 5:15 PM to 7:15 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 7:15 PM to 8:15 PM | Water Fitness |
| Weekdays – August 16 to August 20 | |
| 11:00 AM to noon | Senior (50+) Swim |
| Noon to 1:00 PM | Lap Swim/Swim |
| 1:15 PM to 3:15 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 5:45 PM to 7:45 PM | Recreation Swim |
| <i>Beginning August 23, Welch Pool will be closed weekdays</i> | |
| Weekends – June 19 to August 29 | |
| 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM | Lessons |
| 11:00 AM to Noon Senior (50+) | Swim |
| Noon to 1:00 PM | Lap Swim/Senior Swim |
| 1:15 PM to 3:15 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 5:45 PM to 7:45 PM | Recreation Swim |

| Goslee Pool 860-688-2909 | |
|---|----------------------|
| Weekdays – June 21 to August 13 | |
| 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM | Lap Swim/Senior Swim |
| 10:30 AM to 11:00 AM | Lessons |
| 11:15 AM to 1:15 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 1:30 PM to 3:30 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 3:45 PM to 5:45 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM | Recreation Swim |
| Weekdays – August 16 to August 20 | |
| Noon to 1:00 PM | Lap Swim/Senior Swim |
| 1:15 PM to 3:15 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 5:45 PM to 7:45 PM | Recreation Swim |
| <i>Beginning August 23, Goslee Pool will be closed weekdays</i> | |
| Weekends – June 19 to August 29 | |
| Noon to 1:00 PM | Lap Swim/Senior Swim |
| 1:15 PM to 3:15 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM | Recreation Swim |
| 5:45 PM to 7:45 PM | Recreation Swim |

Schedule is subject to change

WINDSOR'S BEAUTIFUL PARKS AND PARK RENTALS

Park Pavilion Rentals: Looking for a picnic pavilion to hold that special gathering? Park pavilion reservations are made on a first-come, first-served basis. You can reserve up to one year in advance or with little as five days' notice. There is a \$25.00 per four-hour block fee for Sharshon and Washington Park pavilion rentals. Northwest Park has two open-air picnic shelters available for rental from April through November. The Picnic Pavilion has a capacity of 150, while the smaller Warming Shed holds up to 50. Prices range from \$60.00 to \$200.00, with an additional \$100.00 refundable security deposit. Those who are interested in renting a facility at Northwest Park may contact the park office at 860-285-1886. Here's a handy listing of the facilities at Windsor's major parks.

| Parks | Address | Basketball Courts | Fishing Pond | Grills | Pavilion | Playscape | Pool | Restrooms | Softball Field | Tennis Court | Trails |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|--------|----------|-----------|------|-----------|----------------|--------------|--------|
| Custer Park | 58 Custer Dr. | | | | | Yes | | | | | |
| Deerfield Park | 70 Colton Park | Yes | | | | Yes | | | | | |
| Fitch Park | 180 Bloomfield Ave. | | | | | Yes | | | | | |
| Northwest Park | 145 Lang Rd. | | | Yes | Yes | Yes | | Yes | | | Yes |
| Sharshon Park | 48 Skitchewaung St. | Yes | | Yes | Yes | Yes | | | | | |
| Stroh Park | 685 Windsor Ave. | Yes | | | | Yes | Yes | | | Yes | |
| Trent Park | 40 Trent Dr. | Yes | | | | Yes | | | Yes | | |
| Washington Park | 18 Lenox Ave. | | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | | Yes | | | |
| Welch Park | 45 Niles Rd. | Yes | | Yes | | Yes | Yes | | | Yes | |
| Trails | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Bissel Bridge | 265 East Barber St. | | | | | | | | | | Yes |
| Windsor Center | 52 Palisado Ave. | | | | | | | | | | Yes |

Contact the Recreation office at 860-285-1990 for more information. You can pick up a Facility/Park Use Application at L.P. Wilson Community Center, Northwest Park, or online at townofwindsorct.com/recreation.

YOUR PARK

Whether you are a regular park guest or visiting a Windsor park for the first time, you'll want to participate in Windsor Recreation's "Heart Your Park" explorative adventure. They've created a word puzzle that can only be solved by visiting our seven participating parks. Look for our "Heart Your Park" sign to solve the word scramble at:

- ♥ Sharshon Park
- ♥ Washington Park
- ♥ Northwest Park
- ♥ Deerfield Park
- ♥ Welch Park
- ♥ Trent Park
- ♥ Stroh Park

You'll need a smart phone to capture a QR code and enter for a prize. This adventure begins May 15th and continues through June 27th so get out there and enjoy spending time with your family or friends exploring Windsor's beautiful parks. For more information follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @WindsorCTRec.



Registration for both virtual and in-person programs is needed for planning purposes and can be done on the library website at windsorlibrary.com. Look for this special symbol denoting Windsor Public Library and Wilson Branch Library virtual programs.

JUNE

June 1: Celebrate Pride month with this Windsor Public Library **Take-And-Make**. Learn pour painting basics in the color of the rainbow. Instructions will be made available on the Windsor Public Library YouTube on June 2 and supplies can be picked up from June 1 to 16. Ages 12 to 18. Free. 860-285-1919. Register at windsorlibrary.com.

June 2: Welcome to a summer of fitness, fandom, and female empowerment with **Geek Girl Strong** at the Windsor Public Library. Twice a month on Wednesday beginning today through August 18. Robyn from Geek Girl Strong will be joining us for virtual fitness lessons using fandom. Free. Girls ages 12 to 18. 860-285-1919. Register at windsorlibrary.com.

July 19: WIN-TV's summer KidVid Elite for ages 12 to 15 will meet Monday through Friday through July 30 from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM. Advanced production students will use professional level equipment and software. Students must audition and be selected. Prerequisite: Audition video. Registration limited. \$245.00. 860- 688-2626 or win-tv.org.

June 23: Did you know some flowers are edible? And tasty and good for you too?! We'll have **Take-and-Make kits** for you to grow your own **edible flowers** available for pickup for ages 12 to 18 at the Windsor Public Library starting today. Free. 860-285-1919 of Register at windsorlibrary.com.

June 28: The **Roger Williams Park Zoo** will be doing a virtual meet and greet with some of their favorite animals. This event will be aired on Zoom from 3:00 PM to 3:45 PM. Free. Ages 8 to 18. 860-285-1919. Register at windsorlibrary.com.

June 29: Twice a month on Tuesdays beginning today through August 24, the Windsor Public Library will be offering **Open Air Art Attack** on the Eagle town green from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Participants will be able to engage in various outdoor art activities including frozen sidewalk chalk and water balloon painting. Free. Ages 8 to 18. 860-285-1919. windsorlibrary.com.

JULY

July 1: The Windsor Public Library will have a 4th of July themed **Take-and-Make** available for teens age 12 to 18 starting today through July 8. Kits will include items needed to **create a quill pen**. Free. 860-285-1919. Register at windsorlibrary.com.



WINDSOR POLICE CADETS

Are you between 11 and 20 years old?
Are you interested in community service,
law enforcement, or making new friends?

If so, the Windsor Police Cadets might be right for you.

Check us out @ windsorpolicecadets.org or contact Sergeant Bernard Petkis at petkis@townofwindsorct.com or 860-688-5273 ext. 523.

July 20: We'll be making **Paper Bag Suede journals** as a **Take-and-Make** with the Windsor Public Library from July 20 to 27. Kits will include items needed to create a Paper Bag Suede Journal. Free. 860-285-1919. Ages 12 to 18. Register at windsorlibrary.com.

July 23: ACTIVATE Virtual Comic Con is back this year for two days on July 23 and 24. There will be panels and workshops all day in a virtual space for teens interested in comics, art, and activism. Free. 860-285-1919. Ages 12-18. Registration and full lineup at activatefancon.org.

AUGUST

August 2: WIN-TV's summer Independent Production for ages 15 to 18 will meet Monday through Friday through August 6 from 9:00 AM to Noon. Independent time for teens to come in and use production equipment and get staff assistance to create a video of their choice. Prerequisite: Previous video production experience required whether self-taught or thru WIN-TV. Registration limited. \$60.00. 860-688-2626 or win-tv.org.



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August 3: Connecticut Humane Society will be giving Windsor Public Library patrons a **virtual tour** of their facilities as well as a career information session for youth interested in careers with animals from 2:00 PM to 3:30 PM. Free. Ages 8 to 18. 860-285-1919. Register at windsorlibrary.com.

August 13: Dory Dzinski will lead a **Dreams Workshop** from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Learn about what your dreams are trying to tell you and why you dream what you dream. Come ready with some dream stories to tell! Ages 13 and up. Free and virtual. 860-285-1919 Register at windsorlibrary.com.

WINDSOR FORWARD



Duck Tape Sled Kit



Family Baking Kit

KNOCK-KNOCK, QUALITY FAMILY TIME AT YOUR DOOR...

Adaptation is a word that we've heard frequently during the past year, and a word that truly embodies the work of the Windsor Youth Services Bureau. Accomplishing traditional programming without being able to open our community centers was a challenge. So, Sarah Maffiolini, YSB Coordinator, pictured middle left, decided to take the programs directly to the family's homes. Sarah shared with us that, "Shifting from in person programs to 'family kits' and virtual platforms during COVID-19 was essential for families to relieve stress because they were so busy with work, distance learning, and doing their best to cope with uncertainty. The YSB made it easy for parents to spend quality time together with their loved ones with free activities that more than 300 families participated in from the safety and comfort of their own homes."

Converting physical programs to virtual programs is no small feat, and the YSB was able to successfully adapt and run youth safety programs like "Home Alone Safety for Kids," youth enrichment programs like "Mother-Daughter Circle," family engagement events such as "Family Paint Nights," and parent support and prevention forums like "Hidden in Plain Sight – What's in your teen's bedroom?" All of these programs are free and give access to important resources, skills, and knowledge that improve the lives of our residents.

The innovation doesn't stop there. The Windsor YSB created a multitude of "DIY (Do It Yourself) Family Kits" that were delivered to families door-to-door so that they would have all of the necessary materials to participate. The families joined the YSB for an instructional Zoom call on how to make each craft, and families got to share their creations with each other. Possibly the most exciting activity created was the "Talk without Text" card packs, a set of 30 cards with various mealtime conversation starters for families to have more meaningful interactions at the dinner table. These cards were delivered to families for free.

No matter the obstacle, the Windsor Youth Services Bureau is dedicated to assisting, enriching, and helping families through a variety of programs and events, no matter how many adaptations it takes.

To see what the YSB is offering and how you can get involved, head to their website at townofwindsorct.com/recreation/ysb



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Registration for Senior Center activities is easy and accepted via telephone/walk-in, mail-in, or online.

Telephone

Call 860-285-1992 for all activities that are free of charge.

Walk-in

Complete a registration form and bring it along with a check payable to the Town of Windsor to 599 Matianuck Avenue, Windsor, CT 06095.

Mail-in Registration

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Online

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JUNE

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Windows down, spirits up! Senior Center staff and volunteers have held numerous "Drive-by Events" for quick and safe interactions with our residents.

June 9: Join us today from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM, for an informative presentation regarding **Understanding How an Estate Passes through Probate**. Attorney Ruth Fortune from the law firm Czepiga Daly Pope & Perri will give you an overview of the estate administration process. You'll learn about navigating probate court, probate fees, minimizing the potential for Will contests and litigation, how to handle joint accounts, the steps required to administer an estate in Connecticut, and much more. Presented by the law firm of Czepiga, Daly, Pope & Perri. Please register at event.webinarjam.com/channel/probate. Free. 860-285-1992.

June 10: Join Main Library's **Virtual Book Club** for a lively discussion of *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Richardson. Discussions are held on Zoom on the second Thursday of every month from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Books are available at the lending desk one month prior to each meeting. Free. 860-285-1918.

June 12: Lunch at **The River, a Waterfront Restaurant in Wethersfield**, where outdoor dining in the "off" season has been reinvented. This restaurant has the Rolls Royce of heaters with two infrared heaters discharging 600 degrees. Heated outdoor dining at its best! Bus leaves 11:00 AM and returns at 3:00 PM. The suggested donation of \$2.00 is due at sign up. CDC guidelines will be followed.

AARP Smart Driver – As a precaution against the COVID-19 coronavirus, AARP has announced that all in-person AARP-sponsored events are canceled until September 1, 2021. Register for the online course at aarpdriversafety.org and you will receive a 25% discount. Classes will resume at the Windsor Senior Center in the future.

June 14: The Main Library welcomes Mike Norris, PhD, to present **Go, van Gogh!** Van Gogh wrote to his brother Theo that, as he had no children, he viewed his paintings as his progeny. Let's explore some of these "brilliant children," especially those at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. This presentation will take place on Monday, June 14 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM via Zoom. Free. 860-285-1918.

June 17: Enjoy our **Father's Day Rise 'n Shine Breakfast** today from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM at the senior center. Lots of goodies for this special morning include scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, assorted muffins, fresh fruit, and juice. Sponsored by Carmon's Funeral Home. Free. 860-285-1992 to sign up by June 11.

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June 30: Today, from 11:45 AM to 12:30 PM, **we celebrate the birthday of Windsor seniors born in June**. Birthday cake donated by Geissler's Supermarkets for the birthday honorees and all who sign up for lunch. Birthday gift provided by Bloomfield Center for Nursing & Rehabilitation. You must be a registered member of the senior center to receive a gift. Call 860-285-1992 before June 18 to register.

RECYCLE YOUR OLD CELL PHONES AT THE WINDSOR SENIOR CENTER

Drop off cell phones (in any condition) Monday through Friday during business hours: Cell phones are deactivated, for emergency use only (911 calls). Available at no cost for residents age 55 or over. 860-285-1992.



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MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOANING CLOSET

Medical equipment such as walkers, wheelchairs, commodes, shower chairs, canes and more are available at no charge to Windsor residents when in stock. The Loaning Closet also accepts donations of certain used medical equipment in clean condition and in good working order. Due to limited storage space, we ask that you call first if you are donating an item. To borrow items from the Loaning Closet, call 860-285-1992.

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July 7: Some of our most beloved painters, sculptors and authors were inspired by the gardens they created. Visit the private havens of Edith Wharton, Julian Alden Weir, Child Hassam, Daniel Chester French, Emily Dickinson, Augustus Saint-Gaudens, and others with Jana Milbocker of Enchanted Gardens and the Main Library during **Artists' Gardens of New England** on Wednesday, July 7 from 6:00 PM to 7:00 PM. Free. 860-285-1918.

July 8: Join the Main Library's **Virtual Book Club** for a lively discussion of *Sway* by Kat Spears. Discussions are held on Zoom on the second Thursday of every month from 2:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Books are available at the lending desk one month prior to each meeting. Free. 860-285-1918.

July 10: Join us for a **Trip to the Wadsworth Athenaeum** departing the senior center at 11:30 AM. Todd Gray's photographic assemblages explore the history and enduring impact of European colonialism, slavery, and the African diaspora. For his MATRIX project, he embraces the experimental nature of MATRI program to expand his practice with his most ambitious work to date: a fourteen-part work exceeding thirty feet in length. The scale and imagery will envelop the viewer in a historical, cultural, and spiritual experience that directly connects with the renewed contemporary discourse to face past and present transgressions. Bus leaves 11:30 AM; Lunch at 1:30 PM at The Chowder Pot. The suggested donation of \$2.00 is due at sign up. CDC guidelines will be followed.

July 13: Join us today from 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM in the senior center café to celebrate **National Ice Cream Month**. Receive an ice cream sundae and choose your favorite toppings. Sign up by July 7 as space (and ice cream) is limited. Free. 860-285-1992.

July 21: Join us today from 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM in the senior center's café for our **Annual Summer Picnic**. Enjoy a catered lunch and dessert, prizes, afternoon bingo and lots of fun for all! See the Windsor Senior Center Monthly Newsletter for more details. Sign up in the office or call 860-285-1992.



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We need volunteers! Why not reap the benefits of volunteering by donating your time to the senior center? Openings are available for office assistants, senior center activity assistants, medical appointment drivers, and much more. Schedules range from a few hours a month to a few hours a week. 860-285-1992.

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AUGUST

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August 14: Join us for a scrumptious **breakfast at The Angry Egg in Manchester.** They have specials and regular menu items to choose from. Bus leaves 9:00 AM and returns at noon. The suggested donation of \$2.00 is due at sign up. Limited bus seating available. CDC guidelines will be followed.



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Online or in-person! The Senior Center's virtual and hybrid workout classes help you stay fit whether you want to work out at home or at a safe distance in our community center.

August 17: Join us today at the senior center from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM for **A Century of Change – Windsor's Streetscapes 1921-2021.** Join Windsor Historical Society Archivist Michelle Tom for a fascinating photographic tour of Windsor's evolving streetscapes through examination of period photos from the Society's collections. A trip down memory lane! \$5.00. 860-285-1992 to sign up.

August 25: Today, from 11:45 AM to 12:30 PM, **we celebrate the birthday of Windsor seniors born in August.** Birthday cake donated by Geissler's Supermarkets for all those who attend. Birthday gifts provided by Kimberly Hall. You need be a registered member of the senior center to receive a gift. Call 860-285-1992 before August 19 to sign up.

SENIOR FITNESS CENTER. THE BEST DEAL AROUND!

The fitness center is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Memberships are available for the senior fitness center for resident's age 55 years or older. State-of-the art exercise equipment and weights are available and the center is staffed by a qualified instructor most days. Fitness membership fees are three months, \$35.00; six months, \$50.00 or 12 Months for \$80.00. Hours may be extended as COVID-19 restrictions are reduced. Non-resident memberships are double these fees. 860-285-1992.

August 27: Are you a book enthusiast? Do you want to know what the next best book to read is? Are you part of a book club and are looking for the next title to discuss? Join the Windsor librarians on the Eagle Green for a **Book Buzz Event** to discuss books and reading on Friday, August 27 from 3:00 PM to 4:30 PM. In case of rain, this event will be held on Zoom. Registration needed. Space is limited. Free. 860-285-1918.

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OUT-OF-TOWN MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION (TO TOWNS SURROUNDING WINDSOR)

Medical transportation to surrounding towns is available Monday through Friday to resident seniors age 60 or above and adults who are receiving Social Security Disability benefits. Call 860-285-1992 for complete information or visit our website at townofwindsorct.com/senior-services. Please note that enrollment in the Windsor Senior Transportation (Dial-a-Ride) program is required prior to scheduling a ride or receiving transportation.

Don't forget to check out the following ongoing Senior Center Programs and Clubs that meet continuously throughout the year. Register in the senior center office Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM to become a member. Remember to call to sign up for all activities at the senior center. (Dates and times are subject to change)



We have a winner! Those that are 55 and better can come enjoy safely distanced bingo every Friday at the Senior Center starting at 1:00 PM.

Bingo: Daytime games are played every Monday and Friday from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. This is a popular activity but there's always room for more!

Coffee Talk: Enjoy a hot cup of coffee or tea as you discuss current events with other seniors every Tuesday and Friday morning in the senior center café from 9:30 AM to 10:30 AM. Free.

Crafty Fingers: Join this knit or crochet group every Wednesday afternoon in the senior center from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. Free.

Evening and Weekend Trips: Don't stay stuck in the house. We have trips to restaurants, shops, attractions and museums each month during the evening and on weekends. We provide the transportation for free and can pick you up and drop you off at your home. Transportation for evening and weekend trips is made possible in part by a grant from NCAAA. A \$2.00 donation is requested.

Grocery Shopping within Windsor: Transportation to Geissler's and Price Chopper is offered on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, and to Stop & Shop on Thursday mornings. Each Friday morning, we go to Price-Rite and other shops in the Windsor Shopping Center. Shopping begins at approximately 8:30 AM and you will have one hour of shopping

time. Call 860-285-1846 by noon at least two business days prior to the trip. Enrollment in the Windsor Senior Transportation program is needed prior to scheduling a ride.

Line Dancing: You won't need a partner or any experience to join the line dancers from 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM on Fridays at the senior center (except July and August). New participants always welcome. Free. 860-688-4860.

Mall Trips: On the first Tuesday of every month, the Dial-A-Ride bus takes seniors to Enfield Mall and on the second Tuesday of every month, the bus goes to the Buckland Mall in Manchester and on the third Tuesday of the month, the bus transports to Westfarms Mall. The bus will begin pickups in Windsor at approximately 10:00 AM and will drop you off at the mall for shopping from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. Call 860-285-1846 by noon, two business days prior to the trip. Enrollment in the Windsor Senior Transportation program is needed prior to scheduling a ride or receiving transportation.

Movie of the Month: Join us in the senior center café for the Movie of the Month at 1:00 PM every third Tuesday of the month. 860-285-1992 to sign up. Free.

Pickleball: It's very easy to learn and a fun way to exercise. Equipment available and you can learn while you play. \$10.00 yearly for Windsor residents, \$20.00 yearly for out-of-town with a senior center membership. 860-285-1992 for indoor/outdoor schedule and for a membership form.

Free Newsletter! Get the most current information from the senior center newsletter, available at the senior center, town libraries, senior housing sites, grocery stores, and other town locations, or online at townofwindsorct.com/senior-services. To get it by mail for six months, send six self-addressed stamped business envelopes with 70¢ postage on each to:
Windsor Senior Center,
599 Matianuck Avenue,
Windsor, CT 06095.



Crafting/Quilting: Wednesdays from 1:00 PM to 2:00 PM. Bring your own projects or stop by to get ideas and help with a new project. Free.

Shopping Trips: Every Wednesday, transportation for seniors to Wal-Mart and Big Y in East Windsor. The bus begins pickups at 11:00 AM and you will have two hours of shopping time from noon to 2:00 PM. Shopping to Target and Stop & Shop in Windsor will continue on Thursday at 8:30 AM to 10:30 AM. The bus begins pickups at 8:00 AM and allows two hours of shopping time. Call 860-285 1846 by noon, at least two business days before the trip to schedule a ride. Enrollment in the Windsor Senior Transportation program is needed prior to scheduling a ride. Shopping time may be divided between the two stores or two hours at one store.

Windsor Trail Riders: For seniors who enjoy bicycle riding and good company. We ride on multi-purpose trails in Connecticut and lower Massachusetts every Tuesday from April through October and welcome riders of all skill levels. 860-219-9193 for more information or to be on the contact list. Free.

Women's Golf Club: All lady golfers are welcome at Copper Hill Country Club in Granby, Connecticut on Wednesdays, April through September at 9:00 AM. Call 860-688-5085 for fees and information.

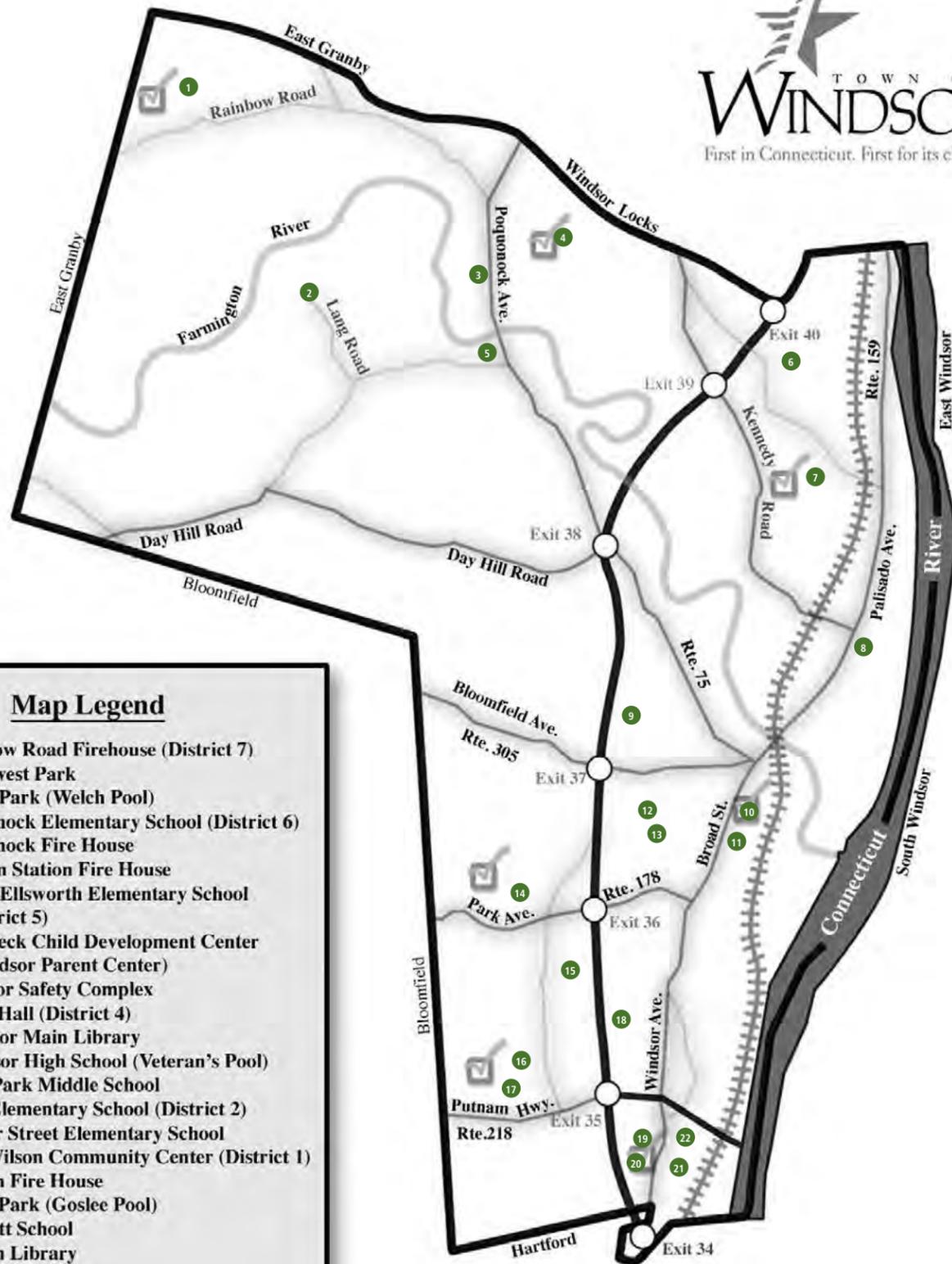
Writing Workshop: Join us for our workshop "Scribe" with Elizabeth Thomas, widely published poet, performer and educator. This workshop promotes creative literacy and the power of the written and spoken word, especially for seniors. Meets the second and fourth Monday of each month from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM in the senior center. Free.

Call the senior center at 860-285-1992 with questions on any of these activities, or visit townofwindsorct.com/senior-services and review our monthly newsletters. Windsor Senior Services can also be found on Facebook and Twitter. If you are interested in forming a club or group for residents age 55 and over, please contact the senior center. We are happy to accommodate new clubs and ideas.

WINDSOR SENIOR TRANSPORTATION (DIAL-A-RIDE), IN-TOWN RIDES



Transportation to locations around town is provided for medical appointments, shopping, banking and more by Windsor Senior Transportation (Dial-a-Ride program), Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM to 3:45 PM. Windsor seniors age 60 or up, and adults who are receiving Social Security Disability benefits, are eligible to utilize this service once enrolled. Call 860-285 1996 for complete information or visit our website at townofwindsorct.com/senior-services. Please note that you must enroll prior to scheduling a reservation or receiving transportation.



Map Legend

1. Rainbow Road Firehouse (District 7)
2. Northwest Park
3. Welch Park (Welch Pool)
4. Poquonock Elementary School (District 6)
5. Poquonock Fire House
6. Hayden Station Fire House
7. Oliver Ellsworth Elementary School (District 5)
8. Milo Peck Child Development Center (Windsor Parent Center)
9. Windsor Safety Complex
10. Town Hall (District 4)
11. Windsor Main Library
12. Windsor High School (Veteran's Pool)
13. Sage Park Middle School
14. JFK Elementary School (District 2)
15. Clover Street Elementary School
16. L.P. Wilson Community Center (District 1)
17. Wilson Fire House
18. Stroh Park (Goslee Pool)
19. Wolcott School
20. Wilson Library
21. Sharshon Park
22. 330 Windsor Avenue (District 3)

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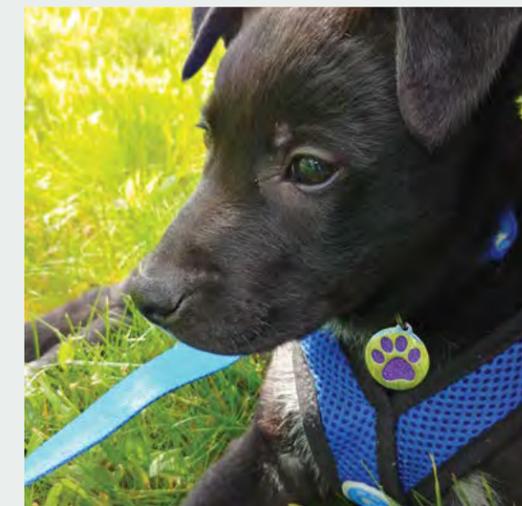
Visit townofwindsorct.com/registrar-of-voters/ and click "Voter Locations" to find your correct voting district and polling location, or call 860-285-1955 or 860-285-1957 for information.



WOOF WOOF! IT'S TIME TO PAWS AND REMEMBER THAT JUNE IS DOG LICENSING MONTH!



Archer – Griskewicz
2020 Adult Dog Win Wag Photo Winner



Zim – Hennessey
2020 Puppy Win Wag Photo Winner



Starting June 1st, the Windsor Town Clerk's office will begin issuing dog licenses for the 2020-2021 license year. These will be valid July 1st, 2021 through June 30th, 2022.

In an effort to ensure the health and safety of our residents and staff during the COVID-19 pandemic, we encourage all dog owners to:

-  renew their dog's license online or through the mail
-  or drop off your dog's license renewal payment in Tax Collector's drop box conveniently located in the parking lot behind town hall.

Other important reminders

-  Late fees will be added for any dog license renewed after June 30th. After August 1st, a \$75.00 fine may be levied by the Animal Control Officer for any unregistered dogs.
-  Connecticut General Statutes require that rabies certificates must be valid and current to obtain a license.
-  Dog licenses are required by state law for dogs six months or older.
-  Newly obtained dogs must be licensed within 30 days of new ownership.

For further information please visit the town website at townofwindsorct.com or call the Town Clerk's Office at 860-285-1902.



