

WATERTOWN PARKS & RECREATION
61 ECHO LAKE RD, WATERTOWN CT 06795

SPRING 2021 ACTIVITIES GUIDE

YOU'RE QUALITY OF LIFE DEPARTMENT

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Watertown Human, Social & Leisure Services

Parks and Recreation, Food Bank, Crestbrook Park, Social & Senior Services

MISSION STATEMENT The Watertown Parks and Recreation Commission, cognizant of the significant financial investment of the community in Parks and Recreational facilities, encourages their fullest possible use for recreational, cultural and educational purposes.

PANDEMIC The ongoing and ever changing health crisis is forcing us to make some modifications to our Spring Activities. We are sad to say that we will not be offering as much this spring as we usually do. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause but unfortunately it's the only option we have right now.

PLEASE NOTE: ALL LOCATIONS for classes listed in this brochure are subject to change on short notice. We will contact you with any changes from what is listed in the brochure. Thank you for your patience!

ONLINE REGISTRATIONS We are now accepting online registrations! Simply go to www.watertownctrec.com and create your household. You'll then be able to register and pay for any and all recreation programs and special events from the convenience of your own home! We accept VISA, Master Card, American Express, Discover and Diner's Club (credit and debit cards).

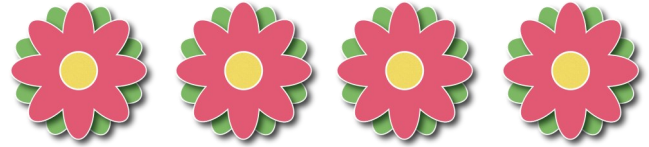
ACTIVITIES WALK-IN REGISTRATION is open from 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM at the Watertown Parks & Recreation Department. All registrations are based on a first come, first served basis.

REGISTRANTS ARE NOTIFIED When a course is cancelled. If a desired class is full you will be put on a waiting list. Additional classes may be opened if facility and instructor are available. The Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to set a minimum and maximum for each program and to cancel any program due to low enrollment.

REGISTER EARLY Nothing cancels a good class quicker than everyone waiting until the last minute to register. If there are not enough registrations by a certain date, the course may be cancelled. Coming in on the day the course begins won't resurrect it, so PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!!

PAYMENT POLICY Payment, along with proof of age, is due with registration for all programs. We will accept cash, credit card (Master Card, Discover, Diner's Club, American Express, Visa, & debit cards), money order or check made out to "Watertown Parks & Recreation". No pre/post dated checks. A \$20.00 fee will be charged for any returned checks. Instructors will not accept registration at the class site. Fees must be paid at the office prior to participation unless otherwise specified.

PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION Meets 1st Thurs. each month at 61 Echo Lake Road, W. – 7:00 p.m. William Donston, Chairman; Ken LaRosa, V. Chair; Christopher Martin, Secy.; Pat Rinaldi, Sabra Sarandrea, John M. Donahue and Michelle Wallace.



REFUND POLICY Refunds must be requested prior to the Friday before the program begins. No refunds will be given once class begins. Medical refunds will be approved on a case-by-case basis when the request is submitted in a timely manner. A **\$10.00** processing fee will be charged for all refunds; unless the Watertown Parks & Recreation is forced to cancel a program.

PROGRAM CANCELLATIONS The Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel, postpone or combine classes or change instructors. If insufficient enrollment causes a class to be canceled, full tuition is refunded. The playgrounds, sports camps, and waterfront areas may close at any time in case of inclement weather. In the event of inclement weather, program cancellations will be made on the INFO-Line at (860) 945-5272 by 7:30 am. Fees will not be pro-rated in the event of rain. We make our best effort to provide the class and instructor advertised in the brochure. In the event an instructor can no longer teach a class we will provide another instructor, if one is available, to finish the session. A credit may be issued for the amount of remaining classes. Materials and supplies purchased by you are excluded from refunds and credits.

PROGRAM SCHEDULING The Park & Recreation Staff has made every effort to prepare this brochure as accurately as possible, however due to publication deadlines program listings/information may require that adjustments be made to programs, fees, schedules, etc. We apologize in advance should you find an error or for any inconvenience that this may cause. Please call the INFO-Line or sign up on our website to receive cancellations or adjustments to the schedule.

PHOTOGRAPHS Participants may be photographed for the purpose of promotion or advertising in the future brochures, in newspapers or in other Watertown Parks & Recreation Department media.

SECURITY PRECAUTIONS When the playgrounds are in session all persons attending must be registered in the program. We are responsible for the children registered and the facilities being used. Persons not registered entering the facility or playground area will be asked to leave. Please understand the taxpayers own these facilities, and we are responsible. Also, we are protecting and caring for someone's most precious commodity, their children. Please respect these rules and understand why we cannot have "outsiders" entering our playgrounds and facilities. Please check with your child's camp director regarding the pick-up of your child by someone other than yourself. There are procedures in place at every camp and they will be enforced.

register online at

www.watertownctrec.com

LET'S GET CERTIFIED

CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL SCHOLARSHIPS are available to qualified applicants (for Watertown/Oakville residents only). Please contact the Social Services Department at (860) 945-5252 for more information. Care 4 Kids: The Watertown Parks & Recreation Department participates in the Care 4 Kids program. Parents are responsible to make all weekly payments until a certificate is issued from Care 4 Kids and a parent share fee has been determined.

GIFT CERTIFICATES AVAILABLE!! Looking for a last minute gift idea for a family member? Friends? Gift certificates are available at The Watertown Parks & Recreation Department. It's a perfect way to give someone the opportunity to become involved in one of our many program offerings. Gift certificates can be purchased at the Parks & Recreation Department during the business hours of 8:30 am - 4:30 pm.

OFFICE INFORMATION:

Location: The Watertown Town Hall
Parks & Recreation Department
61 Echo Lake Road, Watertown, CT
Telephone: (860)945-5246
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Info-Line: (860)945-5272
Website: www.watertownctrecreation.com
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BASIC FIRST AID AND CPR ADULT, CHILD/INFANT and AED

This course combines the American Heart Association First Aid and Heart Saver CPR for Adults Infants and Children with AED. Participants learn first aid basics for adults and show proficiency in skills. This course teaches what to do in a life threatening emergency. These emergencies include not breathing, choking and cardiac arrest (heart stopping) which occurs mostly in or near home. Sudden infant death syndrome and prevention of injuries and choking in infants and children will be discussed. With the knowledge and skills in this course participants will learn the warning signs of heart attack, stroke, cardiac arrest choking and breathing difficulties; CPR and relief of choking for adults, children and infants. Students receive hands on training with the AED. This course has a skills exam and no written test. Participants will receive an AHA Heart Saver two year certification card for Adult First Aid, CPR for adults/children, infants and AED use. Text purchase is not necessary if recertifying. **This class reaches the requirements for coaching & job certification!! Limited to 10 participants**

Instructor: Joan Palladino

LOCATION: PARKS & RECREATION OFFICE
DATE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24TH
TIME: 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM
COSTS:

ONLY FIRST AID OR CPR:

RESIDENTS: \$45.00/PP PLUS TEXT \$5.00
NON-RESIDENTS: \$55.00/PP PLUS TEXT \$5.00

BOTH FIRST AID & CPR:

RESIDENTS: \$60.00/PP PLUS TEXT \$5.00
NON-RESIDENTS: \$70.00/PP PLUS TEXT \$5.00

BABYSITTING COURSE

American Heart Association Babysitting course for anyone 10 years old and older. The class will offer students the necessary tools to become a reliable and safe babysitter. Students will learn basic childcare, safety precautions, child development, appropriate toys and more. Students will receive a handbook with all information needed to serve as a reference. Participants have to meet requirements of the course to receive certification. At the conclusion of the babysitting classes there will be a course on **Pediatric CPR and First Aid. Limited to 10 participants**

Instructor: Joan Palladino

LOCATION: PARKS & RECREATION OFFICE
DATES/TIME:
SESSION 1: BABYSITTING- THURS, MARCH 11
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
FIRST AID & CPR- FRI, MARCH 12
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

DATES/TIME:
SESSION 2: BABYSITTING- THURS, APRIL 29
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM
FIRST AID & CPR- FRI, APRIL 30
6:00 PM - 9:00 PM
COST: RES: \$60.00 NON-RES: \$70.00



1-DAY SAFE BOATING & PERSONAL WATERCRAFT SAFETY CERTIFICATION

A complete, updated safe boating certification course taught in one (8 hour) day. This class includes the newest requirement for towing skiers & tubes. Successful completion will allow the student to purchase a Connecticut Certificate of Personal Watercraft Operation with Waterski endorsement, which enables them to operate any recreational vessel up to 65 feet in length, with some age restrictions for younger operators. An easy to understand classroom format is designed for students age 12 and over. PRIOR TO TAKING THIS CLASS each student should create an account online at <https://www.ct.wildlifelicenses.com/internetsales>, and click the START button. Create an account if you don't already have one, and then print the page that includes your Conservation ID number and bring it to class. Once we have entered your score in the DEEP system you will use your account to purchase & print the certificate after the class.

LOCATION: PARKS & RECREATION DEPT
DATES:
SESSION 1: SATURDAY, MARCH 20TH
SESSION 2: SATURDAY, APRIL 24TH
SESSION 3: SATURDAY, MAY 8TH
AGES: 12 TO ADULT
TIME: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM
COST: RESIDENTS: \$55.00
NON-RESIDENTS: \$65.00



HANDS ON AS WE GROW

****NEW** TOT TIME**

A monthly playgroup for preschool aged kids. Each class begins with a fun read aloud story and ends with a related snack and craft project. We will have different themes each month. Come ready to have lots of fun. You must be registered to participate. Instructor: Giuliana Guerrera

LOCATION: PARKS & RECREATION DEPT
DATES: SATURDAYS; MARCH 27; APRIL 24; MAY 22; JUNE 19
TIMES: SESSION 1: 9:00 AM - 9:45 AM
SESSION 2: 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM
AGES: 3 TO 6
COST: \$10.00/PER DATE OR \$35.00/ALL

****NEW** ADVENTURES AT THE PARK**

Weekend Adventures is an engaging, two day program, which inspires youth to explore, learn, gather and create. Day one will be spent in the great outdoors. Participants will take a guided walk/hike, get in on a fun and challenging scavenger hunt and will learn fun facts about nature. Then they will create one of a kind keepsakes using treasures found. Instructor: Edwin Esson

LOCATION/DATES:
SESSION 1: ECHO LAKE PARK - SAT, APRIL 17
SESSION 2: VETERANS' PARK - SAT, MAY 15
SESSION 3: CRESTBROOK PARK - SAT, JUNE 12
TIMES: 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM
GRADES: 3 - 8
COST: \$20.00/PER DATE OR \$55.00/ALL

RED CROSS LIFEGUARDING COURSE

Come learn how to be a lifeguard. This course is meant for strong swimmers who are willing to be dedicated to protecting the lives of others. Participants who pass the course will receive certificates for Life guarding, CPR for the Professional Rescuer & AED. First Aid training is also included in the life guarding course. This course will *not* include Water-front Lifeguarding. All certifications are for two years. You must commit to attend every date. Instructor: Garry Smith

LOCATION: WATERTOWN HIGH SCHOOL, POOL
DATES: APRIL 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30; MAY 3, 4, 5, 6, 7
TIME: 6:00 PM - 8:45 PM
COST: RESIDENTS: \$245.00
NON-RES: \$260.00

KIDS MOTHERS DAY KIT

What a nice time to spend with your child! You will be decorating 6 cookies with colored frostings and candy shots that will be used in a flower arrangement. As the frosting hardens, they will decorate a mason jar with stickers, paints, ribbons and tissue paper to place them in. Your kit will include all supplies needed and instruction. Please contact thebuddhabistro@gmail.com or call 860-417-6737. All kits must be paid for one week in advance
AGES: 4-9 COST: \$25.00

GREAT SCIENTISTS SCIENCE CLUB VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON

Great Scientists is a 4-week exciting minds-on, and inquiry-based science program. Classes are interactive, exciting and fun! A sampling of topics include: Wonders of Water, Kool Kaleidoscopes, Our Sun & the Science of Light, Flight, Our Moon, Can We Build It?, Animals, Force & Motion, Why Do we have Changing Seasons? Science of Spring.

LOCATION: VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM
DATES: TUESDAYS;
SESSION 1: MARCH 2, 9, 16, 23
SESSION 2: APRIL 6, 13, 20, 27
SESSION 3: MAY 4, 11, 18, 25 (AT P&R)
SESSION 4: JUNE 1, 8, 15, 22 (AT P&R)
GRADES: 3 - 5
TIME: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
COST: \$99.00/INCLUDES KIT

LITTLE SCIENTISTS SCIENCE CLUB VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON

Little Scientists is a 4-week exciting minds-on, and inquiry-based, science program. We are offering Winter classes that will explore different topics; which will include "The Science of Winter", "Preventing the Spread of Germs", "Kool Kaleidoscopes" and The Science of growing Crystals! Our program incorporates multiple experiments during each class, along with age-appropriate curriculum.

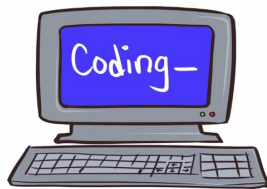
LOCATION: VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM
DATES: THURSDAYS;
SESSION 1: MARCH 4, 11, 18, 25
SESSION 2: APRIL 1, 8, 15, 22
SESSION 3: MAY 6, 13, 20, 27 (AT P&R)
SESSION 4: JUNE 3, 10, 17, 24 (AT P&R)
GRADES: PRE K - 2
TIME: 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
COST: \$99.00/INCLUDES KIT



GREAT SCIENTISTS CODING CLUB

Great Scientists Coding Club is a 4-week exciting hands-on/minds on inquiry based science program. Classes are interactive, exciting and fun! A sampling of topics include: Can we build a computer code? How to design a mobile app? Can we build a computer game? How do computers work? Can we program a robot to move? Don't miss out, register today! Once registered Little Scientists will send you the zoom link and password for virtual program.

LOCATION: VIRTUALLY ON ZOOM
DATES: MONDAYS;
SESSION 1: MARCH 1, 8, 15, 22
SESSION 2: APRIL 5, 12, 19, 26
GRADES: PRE K - 2
DATES: WEDNESDAYS;
SESSION 3: MAY 3, 10, 17, 24 (AT P&R IF WE CAN)
GRADES: 3-5
TIME: 4:00 PM – 4:45 PM
COST: \$99.00/SESSION



STRIDES THROUGH STEM

This program is designed for students in grades 2-5 to participate in a variety of STEM based challenges! Students will use their critical thinking skills to communicate and create projects that meet challenge expectations. Students will have access to a variety of clean, sterilized materials to conduct different tests and experiments – from toothpick towers to marble race courses and simple machines! Join us as we learn to apply strategic-based thinking while solving real world problems! Masks must be worn and social distancing/sanitation protocol will be upheld. Instructors: Mr. & Mrs. Milo

LOCATION: PARKS & RECREATION DEPT.
DATES: MONDAYS;
APRIL 5, 19, 26; MAY 10, 17, 24
TIME: 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
GRADES: 2 – 5
COST: \$110.00/PER SESSION



CUPCAKE & COOKIE DECORATING VIRTUAL & IN-PERSON

Join Miss Coppola for some SPRING themed FUN! Each week, children will engage in different activities including cupcake decorating, cookie decorating, and creating Winter crafts and decorations. LET'S GET CREATIVE! *If taking the virtual classes once registered we will send you the zoom link and password for virtual program. Instructor: Sarah Coppola

LOCATION: PARKS & RECREATION
DATES:
SESSION 1: MARCH 10, 17, 24, 31; APRIL 7
SESSION 2: APRIL 14, 21, 28; MAY 5, 12 (P&R)
SESSION 3: MAY 19, 26; JUNE 2, 9, 16 (P&R)
GRADES: K - 5
TIME: 5:00 PM – 5:35 PM
COST: \$75.00/VIRTUAL
\$95.00/PARKS & REC



STAY ACTIVE: SPORT & EXERCISE

****NEW** KID'S OLYMPICS**

This program is designed for students to learn about and participate in a variety of Olympic events. Children will learn the basic rules and regulations of each sport and compete against one another in both individual and team events. Gold, silver, and bronze medals will be given out to winners of the different events each week! The different games will teach children renditions of hammer throw, hurdles, relays, archery, curling, and much more! Children will get the opportunity to explore their interests in these various sports in a safe and controlled environment. Instructor: Mr. Christopher Milo

LOCATION: CRESTBROOK PARK, MEET AT PAVILION
DATES: WEDNESDAYS; APRIL 21, 28; MAY 5, 12, 19, 26
TIME: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
AGES: 7 - 12
COST: \$90.00

SPRING OUTDOOR WALK & TONE!

Grab your sneakers and a water bottle for this fun outdoor class! We will include a combination of walking, interval training (optional), toning exercises utilizing the body's own resistance, ab and core work and stretching. All levels of fitness are welcome. This course will keep you toned, increase your metabolism by increasing muscle cells, get outdoors and enjoy the spring weather!!

LOCATION: VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK
(MEET AT THE PAVILION)
DATES: MONDAYS;
SESSION 1: MARCH 15, 22, 29, APRIL 5, 12, 19
SESSION 2: APRIL 26, MAY 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
SESSION 3: JUNE 7, 14, 21, 28, JULY 12, 19
TIME: 5:30 PM - 6:20 PM
AGES: 16 & UP
COST: \$70.00/PER SESSION



ZUMBA

This Zumba class is for all those hardcore individuals. We've had many requests to continue despite the cold... can you handle it? The perfect combo of fun and fitness makes for an amazing calorie-burning dance fitness party. Once the Latin and World rhythms take over you'll see why Zumba Fitness classes are often called exercise in disguise. Come join the party weather permitting! Call the Infoline at (860)945-5272 before leaving your house in case we need to cancel it. Instructor: Rita Hubbard (203)232-3488

LOCATION: VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK,
MEET AT PAVILION
DATES: MONDAYS & THURSDAYS;
MARCH 15, 18, 22, 25, 29; APRIL 1, 5, 8, 12, 15, 19, 22, 26, 29; MAY 3, 6, 10, 13, 17, 20, 24, 27; JUNE 3, 7, 10, 14, 17, 21, 24, 28
TIME: 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM
AGES: 18 & UP
COST: \$40.00 OR \$5.00/DROP IN

YOUTH KARATE LESSONS

The Watertown Parks and Recreation Department is offering a 10-week Karate program from 6:15 pm – 7:15 pm. A chance for 7-17 year olds to develop martial arts skills, build strength and confidence, build self-discipline gained through the art of Cheezic Tang Soo Do. Participants should wear loose fitting clothing such as sweat pants and t-shirts. Uniforms and equipment are optional and available for purchase directly from the instructor. Visit the organization's website at www.cheezictsd.com for details of their history and philosophy. Instructors: Master Gary Welton & David Parmelee

LOCATION: VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK
MEET AT PAVILION
DATES: **MONDAYS:** APRIL 19, 26; MAY 3, 10, 17, 24; JUNE 7, 14
WEDNESDAYS: APRIL 21, 28; MAY 5, 12, 19, 26; JUNE 2, 9
TIME: 6:15 PM – 7:15 PM
AGES: 7 - 17 YEAR OLDS
COST: **ONE DAY:** \$50.00 RES; \$57.00 NON-RES
BOTH DAYS: \$100.00 RES; \$114.00 NON
FAMILY MAX: AFTER 2 PARTICIPANTS
TAKE \$10 OFF FOR EVERY CHILD.



LITTLE NINJAS KARATE

Karate techniques incorporated with essential motor skills for 3&4 year olds. The curriculum includes balance, memory, team work, coordination, focus, and other age specific skills training. Often young children want to do what the big kids do but don't have the essential motor skills. This class teaches those while building self-esteem and respect for self and others. This class teaches those while building self-esteem and respect for self and others through the art of Cheezic Tang Soo Do. Instructor: Master Lyne Landry

LOCATION: VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK
MEET AT PAVILION
DATES: **MONDAYS:**
APRIL 19, 26; MAY 3, 10, 17, 24;
JUNE 7, 14
TIME: 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM
AGES: 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS
COST: \$25.00: RES \$32.00: NON-RES



KICKIN' KIDS KARATE

Dynamic karate techniques taught with an emphasis on kicks, punches, blocks, coordination, and bullying prevention. Situational self-defense will be taught so our youngest can avoid conflict. Class is designed to have a student develop into the more structured karate program. Emphasis on technique and coordination without the traditional forms patterns of movement. This class teaches those while building self-esteem and respect for self and others through the art of Cheezic Tang Soo Do. Instructor: Master Lyne Landry

LOCATION: VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK
MEET AT PAVILION
DATES: **MONDAYS:**
APRIL 19, 26; MAY 3, 10, 17, 24;
JUNE 7, 14
TIME: 5:30PM – 6:15 PM
AGES: 5 & 6 YEAR OLDS
COST: \$28.00: RES \$35.00: NON-RES

MIDDLE SCHOOL RUNNING TRAINING

Welcome to Cross-Country with Watertown Parks and Recreation. Cross-country is offered to all students from grades 5-8. Cross-country is a sport that requires commitment, endurance, and a willingness to train beyond the few months of the actual season. Come grow to love running and enjoy the healthy benefits. Instructor: Jessica Creter

LOCATION: VETERANS' MEMORIAL PARK,
MEET LOWER BASKETBALL COURT
DATES: MONDAYS & WEDNESDAYS; APRIL 26, 28; MAY 3, 5, 10, 12, 17, 19, 24, 26; JUNE 2, 7, 9, 14, 16
TIME: 5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
GRADES: 5 - 8
COST: \$50.00

GAME ON!!

Play your favorite games or sports and socialize with others in a safe environment. Meet up with existing friends or make new friends as you get together to play the games they love. Anything from a game of wiffle ball, ultimate Frisbee, dodgeball, tennis or a game of kickball. If you don't like just one sport then this is perfect for you. Instructors: Edwin Esson, Andrew Consalvo and Jordan Arnold

LOCATION: CRESTBROOK PARK, PAVILION
DATES: TUESDAYS;
APRIL 27; MAY 4, 11, 18, 25; JUNE 1
TIME: 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
AGES: 7 - 14
COST: \$45.00

PICKELBALL "PICK UP GAMES"

This six week program will give the advanced and beginner player an opportunity to play pick-up pickleball games against other men and woman in the area. Players can focus on stroke, strategy and conditioning. Instruction and equipment will not be provided. No registration required.

LOCATION: CRESTBROOK PARK TENNIS COURTS
DATES: FRI; APRIL 23, 30; MAY 7, 14, 21, 28
TIMES: 6:00 PM – 7:00 PM
COST: FREE

FOODBANK

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who dropped off food to make the holiday program a huge success. Without your support and assistance, we could not have done it without you. If you would like to donate items to the food bank, drop offs can be made at the Town Hall in the Watertown Parks & Recreation office, lower level. Monetary donations can be sent to Watertown Social Services, 61 Echo Lake Rd, Watertown, CT 06795.

If you are in need of assistance or have any questions, please contact Jeanne Vichiloi at Social Services at (860)945-5252.

SPECIAL EVENTS

****NEW** SPRING FEVER VIRTUAL SCAVENGER HUNT**

Stroll around your neighborhood, or take a drive through town, to see how many items you can find in 30 minutes. Get together virtually with friends and decide on a specific time you will all participate in the scavenger hunt. Download or print our Spring Fever Scavenger Hunt and have each person (or small, socially distanced team) find as many items as possible. You may only earn points once for each item on the list. Take a photo of each item you find. You will have 30 minutes to complete the scavenger hunt. When you're finished, add up your points. Meet virtually with your friends and see who earned the most points! Have fun!

****NEW** LUKEBOX BINGO - VIRTUAL TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021 STARTS AT 7PM**

Open to all residents of Watertown/Oakville!!

We have taken traditional bingo and thrown it out the window. The 75 numbers have been replaced with 75 song titles! Our host will play 30 seconds of a song, you figure out the song title, look for it on your card and if it's there, mark it off. When you get 5 in a row, yell "BINGO!"

There is no maximum on number of participants per household. You'll need access to a computer to play this fun game! Plus be able to print off the bingo cards that will be emailed to you the night before, along with complete directions on how to join the game via Zoom. Registration is limited and based on first come first served. Please email us your Team Name and Phone Number to watertownctrec@watertownct.org by March 2nd.

There will be several games to play with all popular and holiday songs, so it never get old! Great prizes will be granted to the winners of each game! We hope you'll join us! It will be a fun night "in"!

****NEW** FIND THE HIDDEN SHAMROCKS**

Watertown/Oakville has 12 hidden Shamrocks that need to be found! The Shamrocks are hidden at focal points all around town. Pack up the kids, the dog and start exploring! Use the clues on the whereabouts of the missing Shamrocks. Fill out the form and start looking for the next. Prize drawing held for residents that find all 12 Shamrocks. Prize will be awarded.

Program begins on Monday, March 1st and runs until Wednesday, March 31, 2021.

WATERTOWN ROCKS

Let's bring Watertown Rocks back to.... celebrate random acts of kindness! Leave one for another person to find in town. Share one with a friend who needs some inspiration. Take one when you need one. Spread the Love!! One Message at just the RIGHT moment can change your whole Day, Outlook...Life!
#wtnkindnessrockproject

****NEW** EGG MY HOUSE KIT**

This \$10/kit includes a visit from the Easter Bunny (quick photo with your own camera), 15 toy filled eggs, pencil, stuffed animal and an Easter craft. The Easter Bunny will deliver the kits to Watertown/Oakville residents only on Saturday, March 27th any time between 10am-1pm. The exact schedule will be available when we get closer to the date. Limited number of kits available. Payment must be received to guarantee your spot! Register at www.watertownctrec.com.

****NEW** LET'S ROCK "SPRING" CHALLENGE**

This year has been tough on both parents and kids with so many restrictions tied to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Watertown Parks and Recreation has a solution to keep your children off the couch and in front of the TV with the "Let's Rock Spring Challenge!" The most recent challenge calls on artists or any kids looking to have a good time.

Find the perfect rock, grab your painting supplies, and then add your unique message, design, or masterpiece. For an extra challenge, try painting several rocks that together tell a story!

Once your kid's masterpiece is complete, it's time to take part in the next part of the challenge. Email a photo of their rock art to watertownctrec@watertownct.org to be eligible to win a prize! Your kids will have until April 16 for this rock painting challenge.

EARTH DAY THURSDAY, APRIL 22nd

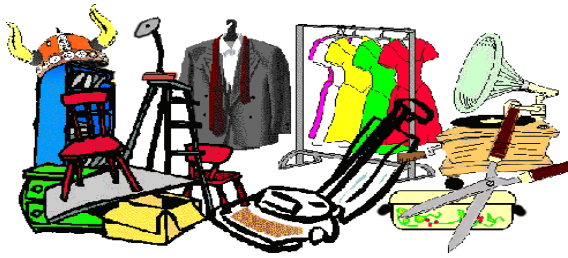
Each year, a variety of groups lend a hand on Earth Day cleaning trails, working at various community gardens or sprucing up our parks. What better way to celebrate EARTH DAY than by spending time enjoying nature!! Please do some random acts of kindness today and keep our beautiful Town great!! Remember to practice safe distancing and wear a mask.

****NEW** WATERTOWN'S GOT TALENT!**

This Virtual Talent Competition is open to all ages & all talents! Email your 30 second horizontal video clip to watertownctrec@watertownct.org by **Friday, May 7, 2021!** All acts must be appropriate for all ages. Any act deemed inappropriate at the discretion of the Watertown Parks & Recreation Department will not be approved. Please only one submission per contestant. Once all videos are posted to the Watertown Parks-Rec Dept Facebook page the community will have a week to vote. The talent with the most "likes" will be crowned the WINNER and will have their very own summer performance at Veterans' Memorial Park!

find us on:





TOWN-WIDE TAGE SALE (YARD SALE)

SATURDAY, JUNE 5th

RAINDATE: SUNDAY, JUNE 6th

Sales will occur in front yards, garages and on sidewalks throughout the town. A uniquely Watertown/Oakville event involving citizens, businesses, churches, civic groups, associations, Town leaders, neighbors and visitors building community and identity. Look for the "original yellow signs" by Watertown Parks & Recreation. The intent is that while cleaning out in the spring everyone not toss everything but instead offer an opportunity to turn trash into treasure. All this to help build community through a shared experience and other celebrations one weekend in the spring.

All participants who **register** will receive the following **benefits**: Registrant's street address will be listed on the back of the master map available for the Tag Sale. Maps will be located at Gayle's Farm Shoppe, Adams Supermarket, Watertown Meat Center, Tony's Seafood, LaBonnes Market and the Parks & Recreation Department. We will also be advertising registered sellers in the Waterbury Republican. We posted a checklist that provides recommendations in accordance with Centers for Disease Control recommendations on our website: keep a six-foot social distance between guests, limit the number of attendees and encourage wearing masks where distancing isn't possible.

TIME: EARLY BIRD: 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM
REGULAR HOURS: 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM
COST: \$25.00

Registrations are due by Friday, May 28th by 4:30pm. For more information call the Parks & Recreation Department at (860)945-5246 or visit our website: www.watertownctrecreation.com

Inclement Weather

In case of inclement weather the P&R will post information regarding cancellations, late openings and early closure on our Facebook page and Info-Line (860)945-5272.

**When in doubt,
call before you venture out!**

DID YOU KNOW?

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT:

Were accepting applications for summer employment. If you enjoy working with children and are looking for a summer job, come and apply as a camp counselor OR lifeguard. Applicants must be **16 years old** by June 1st and a resident of Watertown. Apply at the Watertown Parks & Recreation in the Town Hall, 61 Echo Lake Road, Watertown, CT. All applications are due by April 1st.

INSTRUCTORS WE WANT YOU:

Looking for qualified and innovative instructors to do preschool, youth and adult programs. If you have a unique talent or skill or idea for a class, please contact Assistant Director, Carrie Godfrey at (860)945-5246.

PARK FIELD/PAVILION PERMITS:

May be obtained by contacting the Parks & Recreation in the Town Hall, 61 Echo Lake Road, Watertown, CT. Applications for permits of Watertown/Oakville will be available January 1st. All pavilion permits will be issued on a first-come-first-served basis.

PUBLIC PARKS:

Please note that all parks close at dusk. There is no alcohol allowed at any park facility. Dogs are permitted as long as they are on a leash and properly cleaned up after.

DONATE A PARK BENCH:

Donations can be made in honor of a loved one, for an individual accomplishment or from civic organizations. Benches are installed at Veterans' Memorial Park in Watertown. Plaques can be put on by individual purchasing the bench.

PUBLIC TENNIS COURTS:

Crestbrook Park, Northfield Rd, Watertown. There are four tennis courts available to the residents of Watertown/Oakville. We also reserve court time for 10 & Under modified tennis and also Pickleball! For reserved court time (1 ½ hours) contact the Parks & Recreation Department, fee is \$1.00.

CRESTBROOK PARK

SEASON TICKET SALES FOR THE GOLF COURSE AT CRESTBROOK PARK for residents of Oakville/Watertown and non-residents are available at the Watertown Parks & Recreation Department, 61 Echo Lake Road, Watertown, CT.

Please bring: Driver's License, Season Ticket Form, current utility or tax bill if you are a Non-Resident who owns property in town. Season ticket prices can be found at www.watertownctrecreation.com or www.crestbrookpark.com or www.americanexpress.com. Methods of Payment: Cash, Check, Visa, Master Card, American Express or Discover. Register on www.crestbrookpark.com for a free round of golf.

Thank you for your continued support of Crestbrook Park Golf Course!!



SPRING IS HERE COLORING CONTEST

The Watertown Parks & Recreation Department would like all children to enter our coloring contest. Use your imagination by using different materials (glitter, feathers, crayons, markers, beads, etc.) Return it to the P&R office by Friday, February 26th. Winners will be picked by age group - Preschool, K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th grades. Prize winners will be notified to pick up their prize.

Watertown Parks & Recreation Department

Activity Registration Form – Please Print

Participants Name: _____

Parent/Guardians Name if Participant is Under 18 Years of Age: _____

Primary Address: _____

Secondary Address: _____

Town: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Resident of Watertown-Oakville: Yes _____ No _____ Property Owner: Yes _____ No _____ (For Residency Proof Only)

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Other Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Relationship to Participant: _____

Emergency Contact Numbers: _____

Email Address: _____

Grade (Currently in/or going into): _____ School (currently in/or going into): _____

Circle One Circle One

Allergies/Special Needs: _____

Is There Anything Else We Should Be Aware Of? _____

Date of Birth: ____ - ____ - ____ Age: ____ Sex: M F Shirt Size (If Applicable – Youth/Adult) _____

When in doubt please choose a LARGER size – Be specific **PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

Program Code Title of Program Fee Session # Location

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND WAIVER:

You are required to read the following information very carefully and make sure that you understand it fully and sign it before participating in this program. I am fully aware that the activity and program I am choosing to participate in may result in risk of injury or harm. On my own behalf, and on behalf of my own personal representatives and heirs, successors and assigns, I hereby release, indemnify and save harmless the Town of Watertown, its officers, employees, designees, consultants, agents, and directors (hereinafter representatives) from all claims and liability of whatever nature arising from any act, omission, negligence or otherwise of the Town of Watertown or its representatives, including any injury to any person or any property of any person. This indemnification and hold harmless agreement shall include indemnity against all costs (including without limitation, reasonable attorney's fees and court costs), expenses and liabilities incurred in, or in connection with, any such claim or proceeding brought thereon and in defense thereof. Note: Signing this form also acts as a permission slip for all field trips and gives permission for my/my child's likeness to be used in promotional and newspaper press releases and photos. I have read and understood this release, indemnification and hold harmless form. I have been given the opportunity to ask questions. I voluntarily sign it and hereby give permission for the Town of Watertown staff to administer basic first aid and or seek appropriate medical assistance for the participant listed below. Per Connecticut General Statute 19a-77 we are required to disclose that our programs are not licensed by the State Office of Early Childhood.

I have read the above "Acknowledgement and Waiver" -- Initial Here _____

Signature: _____ **DATE:** _____

Signature of Applicant Aged 18 and Over or Parent/Guardian Aged 18 and Over

For Office Use Only - Please Do Not Fill Out Below – For Office Use Only – Thank You!

Method of Payment: Cash _____ Check # _____ Credit/Debit Card _____ MC VISA

Today's Date: _____ Amount of Payment \$ _____ Staff Initials _____