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A note from the Recreation Director, Bruce Watt

The Tolland Recreation Department would like to thank our sponsors for the Tolland C.A.R.E.S. Program. The scholarship program was created to help children in need to get more active in recreational activities. The benefits of recreation include: exercise which provides the opportunity to combat obesity and entertainment which provides social opportunities, and much more. This scholarship is for Tolland residents only and is an ongoing program.

Thank you to the following organizations for their support:

- Lion’s Club of Tolland
- Fenton River Veterinary Hospital
- Cathy and Larry Gramling
- Tolland Community Women

Activity and Program Pictures

Throughout the year Andre Garant has taken pictures of our activities and programs.

If you would like to see them please go to:

www.flickr.com/photos/63906149@N02/
Andre Garant-Photography on Demand

Recreation Staff

Director: Bruce Watt, bwatt@tolland.org
Administrative Assistant: Kim Grimes, kgrimes@tolland.org

Recreation Board

Jeff Maron, Chairman
Larry Gramling
David Boland
David Clokey
Nicole Kowal

The Board meets every second Monday of the month. All meetings are open to the public.

Contact Information

104 Old Post Road
Office: 860-871-3610
Fax: 860-870-1367

Office Hours

Monday–Wednesday: 8:00am–4:30pm
Thursday: 8:00am–7:30pm
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Participation
Only those enrolled in the program may attend. Sorry, children will not be allowed in the class room or gym during adult programs and siblings must remain seated and not disturb youth classes.

Age Requirement
To participate, children must meet minimum age before the class starts.

Inclement Weather
Program cancellations due to inclement weather are announced via email blasts through the Recreation Department’s registration system and are broadcast on Channel 3’s Early Warning Announcements.

Scholarship Programs
It is our policy that residents of the Town of Tolland who cannot afford to participate in programs or activities can make confidential inquiries for assistance to the Recreation Director.

Registration Information
MAIL-IN
Registrations are accepted on a first come/first serve basis. A registration form is available at TollandRec.com.
Mail your completed form with payment to:
Tolland Recreation Department
21 Tolland Green
Tolland, CT 06084
Consider yourself registered if you do not hear from us.

ON-LINE
Recreation Dept. Registration Website – www.tollandrec.com
Town Website – www.tolland.org
Participants registering online will be confirmed online.
Not all classes can be registered for online; however you may view all classes.
FAX-IN:
860-870-1367

INFORMATION
Be sure to complete all information when registering.

REGISTER EARLY!
If a program does not meet its minimum enrollment number prior to the start of class it will be cancelled.

CLASSES
We reserve the right to limit class size and to cancel classes failing to meet minimum requirements.

PAYMENT
Registration is not considered valid until the program fee is paid. We accept cash, checks, Discover Card, Visa or MasterCard.

REFUNDS
Refunds are given only prior to the start of classes or if we cancel the program. Requests for refunds must be in writing and are subject to a $10.00 processing fee. Programs less than $15.00 receive an account credit.

TRIP CANCELLATION
You will be refunded only if the spot can be filled. Requests for refunds must be in writing and are subject to a $10.00 processing fee.

Program Locations
Crandall Park ........................................... 64 Cider Mill Rd, Tolland, CT
Cross Farms Recreation Complex .. 167 Rhodes Road, Tolland, CT
Tolland Recreation Cente ..................... 104 Old Post Rd, Tolland, CT
Tolland Tennis Courts ......................Old Cathole Rd, Tolland, CT
Skungamung River Golf Course .......... 114 Folly Ln, Coventry, CT
Youth Garden, (by Lions Field) .......... Cider Mill Rd, Tolland, CT
Birch Grove School ............................... 247 Rhodes Rd, Tolland, CT
Tolland Intermediate School (TIS) .... 96 Old Post Rd, Tolland, CT
Tolland Middle School (TMS) ......... 1 Falcon Way, Tolland, CT
Tolland High School (THS) .............. 1 Eagle Hill Rd, Tolland, CT

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Park Facilities

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Dogs are NOT allowed on athletic fields!!

CRANDALL PARK

64 Cider Mill Road- 350+ acre Town Park containing 3 tennis courts/3 pickle ball courts, a basketball court, softball & baseball fields, a swimming pond, bathrooms, 2.5 miles of marked hiking trails and a picnic area.

PAVILION

Is an open air shelter with picnic table seating for groups of up to 75. Facilities include a large charcoal grill, horseshoe pits and a sand volleyball court. Use of a softball field is possible depending on availability. Rental by reservation only through the Recreation Office.

Call the Recreation office at 860-871-3610 for fee schedule and available dates.

“THE LODGE”

124 Cider Mill Road- The Lodge is a year round rental facility available to groups of 100 or less for special events such as weddings, showers, picnics, parties or meetings. Rental rates vary for residents, non-residents, businesses, daytime, nighttime and weekends. Building contains fireplace, tables & chairs, a warming oven, microwave, and double door fridge. For available dates, fees & more information call the Recreation office at 860-871-3610.

RIVER PARK

South River Road - 2 Little League size baseball fields, River access.

HERON COVE PARK

125 South River Road- Small soccer field, multipurpose field, basketball court & canoe launch.

TENNIS COURTS

Old Cathole Road - Six all weather tennis courts across from Tolland Middle School.

CROSS FARMS RECREATION COMPLEX

167 Rhodes Road - 3 baseball and 3 soccer fields, Hiking Trails, exercise stations, 18 hole disc golf course, concession stand and Adam’s Adventure an all-inclusive play structure.

ALL WEATHER TURF FIELD

1 Eagle Hill Road- A beautiful lighted synthetic turf field at Tolland High School. The field with permanent lines for football, soccer and lacrosse is available to rent for a variety of practices, games and other events.

To find out more, call the Recreation Department at 860-871-3610 or go to the web site www.tolland.org/recreation

TOLLAND TYKES PRESCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

Tolland Tykes will be hosting an Open House on Thursday, January 16, 2020
(snow date Thursday, January 23, 2020)

from 6:00 to 7:30pm at the
Tolland Recreation Center,
104 Old Post Road, Tolland, CT.

Come meet the teachers and see what we are all about!

Day: Thursday
Date: January 16, 2020
Time: 6:00-7:30pm
Ages: 3 & 4
Location: Tolland Recreation Center

www.tolland.org
Rentals

TOLLAND RECREATION CENTER- Room Rentals
Rent a room for Parties, Events or Weekend Meetings. Want to have a party for your son or daughter but don’t have the space in your house? The Tolland Recreation Center has rooms available to rent for parties, small gatherings, weekend meetings or similar events. Want a special birthday party? Why not rent our gym? Rooms are available for meetings on a limited basis to non-profit groups at no cost. Call the Recreation Office at 860-871-3610 to get rates and check on availability.

The Lodge at Crandall Park II
A year-round rental facility overlooking Powell Pond; 124 Cider Mill Road, Tolland, CT 06084
Available to residents, non-residents, businesses, etc. in groups of 100 or less for special events such as weddings, showers, picnics, parties, or meetings. The building contains tables & chairs, a warming oven, microwave, and double door fridge. Built in 1991, it is located in the middle of a 300+ acre town park. Nestled on a wooded hilltop overlooking a quiet pond, its singular design blends with the rustic surroundings to create a warm and serene atmosphere. A covered deck on two sides adds to the down home feeling, while inside a large fieldstone fireplace, a cathedral ceiling, and cedar siding completes the picture. The Lodge is heated for year round use, and is available weekdays, weeknights, or weekends. Call the Recreation Department office at (860) 871-3610 for more information, rental fees and available dates.

Amenities:
• Kitchen with warming oven, microwave, double door refrigerator (no freezer)
• Two sided field stone fireplace
• Cedar planking on interior walls
• Tables & chairs to accommodate groups of up to 100
• Clean bathrooms
• Sound system with CD player, iPod connection
• Horseshoe pits
• Easy access to hiking trails and fishing pond

Tolland Youth Sports Leagues & Groups
Tolland Boys Travel Basketball.......................... www.tollandbasketballclub.com
Tolland Girls Travel Basketball....................... jeffmartens72@gmail.com
Tolland Lacrosse............................................. www.tollandlacrosse.org
Tolland Little League........................................www.tollandlittleleague.org
Tolland Soccer Club...................................... www.tollandsoccerclub.org
Tolland Youth Football & Cheerleading...............www.tollandeaglesyouthfootball.com
Tolland Garden Paths Youth Garden.................. www.tgpyouthgarden@comcast.net

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DEPARTMENT                                    PHONE
Animal Control                                 (860) 871-3676
Assessor’s Office                              (860) 871-3650
Building Department                           (860) 871-3601
Elections Administration                      (860) 871-3634
Emergency Management                          (860) 871-3677
Finance Department                            (860) 871-3653
Fire Department/Ambulance (Non-Emergency)     (860) 871-3677
Fire Marshal                                  (860) 871-3677 x72143
Health District/Sanitarian                    (860) 871-3608
Human Resources                               (860) 871-3600
Human Services                                (860) 871-3648
Library                                       (860) 871-3620
Planning & Development                        (860) 871-3601
Police - Kevin Eklund, Admin. Resident Trooper (860) 875-8911
Lori Sherwood, Secretary                      (860) 926-4695
Probate Court                                 (860) 871-3640
Public Safety (Non-Emergency)                 (860) 871-3677
Public Works                                  (860) 871-3696
Recreation Department                        (860) 871-3610
Senior Services                              (860) 870-3730
Solid Waste & Recycling                       (860) 926-4695
                                           (860) 871-3600
Tax Department                               (860) 871-3657
Tolland Tykes Preschool                       (860) 871-3610
Town Clerk                                    (860) 871-3630
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Town Manager’s Office                         (860) 871-3600
Youth Services                               (860) 871-3612
Preschool Programs
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Instructor: Jill Maznicki
Day: Fridays
Date: January 10 – March 6, 2020 (No class Feb 14)
Time: 9:30-10:15am
Ages: 1-3
Fee: $65.00 Res /$75.00 Non-Res; 8 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Center

Tolland Tykes Preschool
For 3 & 4 Year Olds
Classes begin September 2020

4 year old class meets on Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays from 9:00am to 12:00pm, September through May (32 weeks). The tuition for this program is $1,600.00, payable in two installments (August & January). Children must be 4 years old on or before December 31st. We will be holding an open enrollment on a first come first serve basis. To register, fill out our department’s registration form and mail to the Tolland Recreation Department, 21 Tolland Green, Tolland, CT 06084, along with your $100.00 non-refundable deposit to hold your child’s place. The deposit will be applied toward your tuition fee. Registration forms can be found on our department’s website at www.tolland.org or www.tollandrec.com. For more information or if you have any questions please check out our website at www.tollandrec.com or feel free to contact the Recreation Office at (860) 871-3610.

Youth Programs
Tolland Recreation After School Program
Open to boys and girls in grades 3rd – 8th. We are happy to be able to offer this program as an alternative to your child going home alone. Our program runs out of the Recreation Center and participants will be met at the Tolland Intermediate School and walked up to our building. You have the option of signing up for 3, 4 or 5 days a week. Program participants will have the opportunity to work on homework, enjoy some quiet time, have a snack and then expend energy participating in games and sports either in the gym or outside.

Instructor: Tolland Recreation Staff
Day: Monday - Friday
Date: First Day of School – Last Day of School 2019/2020
Time: 2:30pm – 6:00pm
Ages: Grades 3rd–5th and Grades 6th-8th
Payment Rates are per month: due on or BEFORE the 15th of each month
before the month participating
3 days a week- $170.00 per month
4 days a week- $210.00 per month
5 days a week- $250.00 per month
Location: Tolland Recreation Center
Babysitter Safety

This course is for youth's age 11 to 17 years of age with the most common age of 12 - 14. This is an entry level course intended to teach age appropriate skills necessary to care for children of all ages using team babysitting, mother's helper and individual babysitting concepts. The course focuses on safety with emphasis on prevention. Other topics include hand washing, diapering, bottle feeding, personal safety and interview skills. Basic first aid and obstructed airway management for a conscious choking adult/child and infant will be covered. First Aid including adult and child CPR (requires passing written and skills testing to receive 2 year certification)

Booklet, handouts and Babysitter Safety Certificate of completion included. Bring a snack.

Instructor: LifeSafe Services Staff
Day: Saturday
Date: February 15, 2020
Time: 9:00am – 2:00pm
Ages: 11-17
Fee: $85.00 Res/ $95.00 Non-Res
Location: Tolland Recreation Center

JUKIDO - (ages 9-13)

This class builds on the fundamentals learned in the Beginner class. Helps build focus, determination, confidence and sportsmanship. The emphasis is on safety and doing ones best while learning the basic principles and self-defense techniques.

Instructor: Todd Sise, is a 4th degree black belt certified with the International Kokondo Association

Day: Tuesdays
Date: January 14 – March 24, 2020 (No class Feb 18)
Time: 7:00-8:00pm
Ages: 9-13
Fee: $47.00 Res./ Non-Res $57.00 10 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Center

FuTSAL Clinic

The Tolland Recreation Department in conjunction with CAB Sports is offering a Futsal Clinic this Winter. Futsal is a sport that is widely popular in South America, and Europe. It is traditionally played as a 5 v 5, with goalies on a basketball court. Futsal is played with a smaller, low bounce ball and encourages a great touch on the ball, good footwork, and dribbling past a defender. It is gaining popularity in America because many famous players have praised Futsal for developing their playing style. Players such as Lionel Messi, Neymar, and Cristiano Ronaldo. Futsal is one of the fastest growing sports worldwide. The United States is now developing a league which will begin soon. What does a session look like? Every session is broken down into 3 parts; Technical Training, Tactical Training and Game/ Skill Application. Players will engage in game or modified game in order to apply both technical and tactical skills. This is the player’s favorite part of the clinic and where they are really encouraged to show the skills they have learned.

Day: MONDAY-FRIDAY
Date: March 9-March 13, 2020
Time: Dismissal-4:00pm
Ages: Students attending Tolland Middle School
Fee: $90.00
Location: Tolland Middle School

Day: MONDAY-FRIDAY
Date: February 24-February 28, 2020
Time: Dismissal-5:00pm
Ages: Students attending Tolland Intermediate School
Fee: $90.00
Location: Tolland Intermediate School

Youth Sports

JUKIDO - (ages 6-8)

Based on the ancient art of Jujitsu, Jukido helps build focus, determination, confidence and sportsmanship. The emphasis is on safety and doing ones best while learning the basic principles and self-defense techniques.

Instructor: Todd Sise, is a 4th degree black belt certified with the International Kokondo Association
Day: Tuesdays
Date: January 14 – March 24, 2020 (No class Feb 18)
Time: 6:00 - 7:00pm
Ages: 6 - 8
Fee: $47.00 Res. / $57.00 Non-Res; 10 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Center
DODGEBALL After School

A chance for some after school fun playing the popular game of dodgeball. The players will use super soft foam balls and safety is stressed. Each week different styles of dodgeball are learned. The emphasis will be on teamwork and sportsmanship.

Participants will be met at the Tolland Intermediate School and walked up to the Recreation Center.

Instructor: Rich Lavigne
Day: Wednesdays
Date: January 8 –February 12, 2020 (No class Jan. 29)
Time: 3:30-5:00pm
Ages: Grades 3rd-5th
Fee: $50.00 Res / $60.00 Non-Res  5 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Center

Instructional BASKETBALL- Saturdays

This coed class will teach the basic skills such as, dribbling, passing, shooting and sportsmanship in a fun way! Bring water bottle and wear sneakers. Space is limited.

Instructor: Jayden Regisford
Day: Saturdays
Date: January 4- February 8, 2020

Time: 8:00-8:45am (Age 4)
         9:00-9:45am (Age 5)
         10:00-10:45am (Age 6)
         11:00am-11:45 am (Ages 7-8)

Ages: 4 – 8
Fee: $60.00 Res. $70 Non-Res. (6 weeks)
Location: Tolland Recreation Center

Adult Sports

BASKETBALL- Pick-up games

The benefits of basketball include great aerobic exercise, it provides a wonderful cardiovascular workout, improves heart health, stamina and lung capacity. The quick movements exercise your joints and muscles and improves strength and flexibility.

In other words it provides a complete workout and allows you to meet new people while having fun!

Pickup games using multiple courts. Register with the Recreation Department for a reduced rate or pay the drop in for $5.00 an evening. TOLLAND RESIDENTS ONLY

Instructor: Phil Doucette
Day: MONDAYS
Date: January 6 – March 23, 2020
      (No class Jan 20 or Feb 17)
Time: 7:00-9:00pm
Ages: 19 and up
Fee: $40.00  10 weeks or $5.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Middle School

Day: WEDNESDAYS
Date: January 15 – March 25, 2020
      (No class Feb 19)
Time: 6:30-8:30pm
Ages: 19 and up
Fee: $40.00, 10 weeks or $5.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Middle School

TOLLAND COOPERATIVE PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

Tuesday, January 21st, 6-7pm
45 Tolland Green
(snow date January 22nd)

860.872.8883 TOLLANDCOOPPRESCHOOL.COM TOLLANDCOOP
PICKLE BALL

Are you looking to meet new people, workout, or just have fun? Then Pickle ball is for you! Come join us for some fun playing one of the fastest growing sports in America. Pickle ball is a racquet sport which combines badminton; tennis and ping pong all in one and is easy to learn.

Instructor: Liz Brown
Day: TUESDAYS- Advanced
Date: January 7 –March 24, 2020
Time: 4:30-5:45pm
Ages: 45 and up
Fee: $48.00 Res/ $58.00 Non-Res, 12 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Department

Day: THURSDAYS
Date: January 9 – March 26, 2020
Time: 3:45-5:00pm
Ages: 45 and up
Fee: $48.00 Res/ $58.00 Non-Res, 12 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Department

Day: THURSDAYS
Date: January 9 – March 26, 2020
Time: 5:00-6:15pm
Ages: 45 and up
Fee: $48.00 Res/ $58.00 Non-Res, 12 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Department

VOLLEYBALL (Coed)

If you are looking for a fun way to improve your health, volleyball could be the sport for you. Join us for coed pickup games, No experience necessary. Our experience instructor will help you learn the game. If you have experience he will help you improve.

A good opportunity to meet new people and make new friends. Sign up with the recreation department at the reduced rate or pay the drop in rate $5.00 an evening.

Instructor: Sue Vang
Day: Mondays
Date: January 6 - March 23, 2020
(No class Jan 20 or Feb 17)
Time: 7:00-9:00pm
Ages: 16 and up
Fee: $40.00 Res / $50.00 Non-Res
10 weeks or $5.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Intermediate School

VOLLEYBALL (Power)

If you have some experience as a volleyball player this program is for you. Coed pick- up games for fitness and fun.

Improve your game and meet new people while getting a good cardiovascular workout. Build muscle and burn fat.

Sign up with the recreation department at the reduced rate or pay the drop in rate for $5.00 an evening.

Instructor: Sue Vang
Day: Tuesdays
Date: January 7 –March 31, 2020
(No class Feb 4, Feb 18 or March 24)
Time: 7:15-9:15pm
Ages: 18 and up
Fee: $40.00Res/ $50.00 Non-Res,
10 weeks or $5.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Intermediate School

JUKIDO ADULT

Jukido is a style of Japanese Jujitsu founded centuries ago. Jujitsu was used by Japan's elite warrior class, the samurai, in battlefield combat. Jukido emphasizes safety and doing one's best in a no-nonsense approach to self-defense.

Instructor: Todd Sise, International Kokondo Association & 4rd Degree Black Belt
Day: Tuesdays
Date: January 14 –March 24, 2020
(No class Feb 18)
Time: 8:00-9:00pm
Ages: 14 and up
Fee: $47.00 Res / $57.00 Non-Res, 10 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Center

KOKONDO KARATE

Kokondo Karate, a Japanese style of Karate, uses principles indigenous to the far east and draws from the most effective and traditional techniques from Japan, Okinawa and China. The emphasis is a no-nonsense self-defense and perfection of technique.

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Day: Tuesdays
Date: January 14 –March 24, 2020 (No class Feb 18)
Time: 8:00-9:00pm
Ages: 14 and up
Fee: $47.00 Res / $57.00 Non-Res, 10 weeks
Location: Tolland Recreation Center
Adult Education

Knitting Class

Beginners, novice, intermediate or expert knitters; this is your class. Bring your problems, questions, or unfinished projects. The basics of knitting will be explored. Casting on, binding off, the knit stitch, the purl stitch, simple knit & purl combinations, simple cables, reading & interpreting patterns & abbreviations. Come join the fun and learn a thing or two. Materials are covered by the student according to individual patterns. All students will need a skein of worsted weight yarn & needles, size 6, 7 or 8 to practice stitches & techniques. If you don't have needles, don't buy any until after the first class. We have a very large selection of needles to lend or give away.

Instructor: Lori D’Andrea

Day: Tuesdays

Date: January 14 – March 24, 2020 (No class Feb 18)

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Ages: 16 and up

Fee: $57.00 Res / $67.00 Non-Res, 10 weeks

Location: Tolland Recreation Center

Zumba

Zumba is perfect for everybody! Each Zumba® class is designed to bring people together to sweat. We take the “work” out of workout, by mixing low-intensity and high-intensity moves for an interval-style, 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. Zumba is a total workout, combining all elements of fitness – cardio, muscle conditioning, balance and flexibility, boosted energy and a serious dose of awesome each time you leave class.

Instructor: Marisa Paradis

Day: MONDAYS

Date: Session 1: January 6 – February 24, 2020
    (No class Jan 20 or Feb 17)
    Session 2: March 9 – April 13, 2020

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Ages: 16 and up

Fee: $30.00 Res / $40.00 Non-Res, 6 weeks or $8.00 per walk-in

Location: Tolland Recreation Department

Ed 2 Go – Online Courses

Take an online class... and learn on your own terms! Here at the Tolland Recreation Department we offer a wide range of ed2go courses that you can take from the comfort of your own home. All of our courses include expert instructors, many of whom are nationally known authors. Our online courses are affordable, fun, fast, convenient, and geared just for you. Classes as low as $95!! Ready to explore our catalog? Visit www.ed2go.com/TollandRec

Day: THURSDAYS

Date: Session 1: January 2 – February 13, 2020
    Session 2: February 27 – April 9, 2020
    (No class March 12)

Fee: $30.00 Res/ $40.00 Non-Res, 6 weeks or $8.00 per walk-in

Time: 6:30-7:30pm

Ages: 16 and up

Location: Tolland Recreation Department

Day: WEDNESDAY SPECIAL-Walk in Only

Date: January 22, February 19, March 4, April 22, 2020

Time: 7:00-8:00pm

Ages: 16 and up

Fee: $5.00 per walk-in

Tolland Eye Care

Healthy Vision for Life

23C Fieldstone Commons, Tolland, CT 06084
860-871-6507

Exit 68 - Big Y Plaza

- Comprehensive eye exams
- Diagnosis and treatment of eye disease and injury
- Dry eye relief
- Contact lenses
- Designer eyewear including budget selection
- Prescription sunglasses and recreational activity sports eyewear

TollandEye.com
Yoga AM & PM

These classes are moderate, mixed level Kripalu Yoga classes. In Kripalu Yoga, we use the tools of yoga - breathing exercises, yoga postures, and meditation - to develop awareness, strength, flexibility, balance, and resilience in the body and mind. Everything can be adapted to suit individual levels. No previous experience with yoga is necessary. Please bring a yoga mat and a blanket or towel to cover up for the final relaxation. Register with the Recreation Office, at www.tollandrec.com, or drop in for $9.00 per class.

Yoga Incentive Program: If you get a friend to sign up, you will receive 2 FREE class vouchers which can be used at any Tolland Recreation Department Yoga class within 9 months.

Instructor: Amy Evans, RYT-200

Day: TUESDAYS-AM
Date: Session 1: January 7 – February 18, 2020
      Session 2: March 10 – April 21, 2020
Time: 9:00-10:00am
Ages: 16 and up
Fee: $49.00 Res/ $59.00 Non-Res, 7 weeks or $9.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Recreation Department

Day: WEDNESDAY- AM
Date: Session 1: January 7 – February 18, 2020
      Session 2: March 10 – April 22, 2020
Time: 9:00-10:00am
Ages: 16 and up
Fee: $49.00 Res/ $59.00 Non-Res, 7 weeks or $9.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Recreation Department

Day: MONDAYS- Afternoon
Date: Session 1: January 6 – February 17, 2020
      (no class Jan 20)
      Session 2: March 9 – April 20, 2020
Time: 4:45-5:45pm
Ages: 16 and up
Fee: $49.00 Res/ $59.00 Non-Res, 7 weeks or $9.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Recreation Department

YOGA – CHAIR

Come and get all the benefits of a yoga practice using a chair as a prop. In this class we will use breathing exercises, postures, and meditation techniques to increase strength, flexibility, and peace of mind all with the support of a chair. No getting down to the floor.

Please wear comfortable clothing for ease of movement.

Instructor: Amy Evans, RYT-200

Day: Tuesdays
Date: Session 1: January 7 – February 18, 2020
      Session 2: March 10 – April 21, 2020
Time: 10:15 – 11:15am
Ages: 16 and up
Fee: $49.00 Res/ $59.00 Non-Res, 7 weeks or $9.00 per walk-in
Location: Tolland Recreation Department
Trips
Trips are coordinated with Ashford, Coventry, Ellington, Mansfield, Tolland, and Willington. Please register with the recreation department in the town in which you live. If you do not live in any of the listed towns, you may register with any department.

The pick-up location for everyone is the commuter lot at I-84 exit 68.

A Day on your own in Boston
Date: TBD
Plan a fun day in Boston. We'll take you to Boston, drop you off at several locations and pick you up at a pre-determined location at the end of the day. Public transportation is available for many others.

Boston Flower Show: Held at the Seaport World Trade Center. This year's theme is Superheroes of the Garden! For more information and to purchase tickets, check out http://bostonflowershow.com

Boston Science Museum: participants can easily spend an entire day exploring this museum. More information about exhibits and special events can be found at www.mos.org.

Quincy Market and Faneuil Hall: participants can walk around, shop and get great food at this historic area in Boston. More information can be found at www.faneuilhallmarketplace.com.

Public Transportation information can be found at: www.mbta.com

Day: TBD
Date: TBD
Time: Tolland Commuter Parking Lot (Exit 68 off of I-84)
Estimated Return: PM- Tolland Commuter Parking Lot
Fee: TBD
Location: Boston, MA

Recreation Happenings

Sponsored by: Tolland Recreation Dept. | Tolland Fire Department
Saturday, February 22, 2020

The Tolland Recreation Department is challenging everyone to the 4th Annual Eagle Freeze! Come and jump in the ICY WATERS OF CRANDALL PARK!! Participants are asked to raise a minimum of $25 to participate in the event. Participants are encouraged to dress in costumes.

All the profits will benefit Equipment for the Tolland Recreation Department and Tolland Fire Department.

Awards will be handed out for the following categories:
• Most money raised by an individual
• Best individual costume

Event Information:
The Tolland Recreation Department will be holding its 4th Annual Eagle Freeze Fundraiser to benefit Equipment for the Tolland Recreation Department and Tolland Fire Department.

Ages: 8 and older
Time: 1:00 pm (please check in NO LATER than 12:30pm at the Concession Stand)
Location: Crandall’s Park, 64 Cider Mill Road
Fee: Minimum of $25 donation

Download your registration form at: www.tollandrec.com


The Town of Tolland

is wrapping up the State Mandated Revaluation for the October 1, 2019 grand list. The last phase of the revaluation process will be sending new assessment notices to all property owners. The notices will be sent via mail during the first week of December. Upon receiving your notice, owners should review the valuation and can follow directions on the notice to view their property data online or by stopping in to the assessor’s office to review their field card. Property owners will be able to schedule an informal appeal with the assessor’s office if they feel the valuation is incorrect.

Jason Lawrence
Tolland Assessor

Frederick M. Daniels, DDS
Jaclyn Cattanach, DMD

12 Goose Lane, Tolland, CT 06084
(860) 875-6269

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Human Services
Residents may call any of the following Tolland Human Services personnel for more information about state programs and local initiatives:

- **Beverly Bellody, MS, Human Services Director**
  (860) 871-3611

- **Nancy Taylor Dunn, LPC, Assistant Director Human Services**
  (860) 871-3612

- **Jeanne Pitney, MSW, Human Services Case Manager**
  (860) 871-3615

- **Fran Weigand, Senior Center Director**
  (860) 870-3725

- **Rebecca Ellert, Elderly Outreach Case Worker**
  (860) 870-3726

- Administrative Secretary, (860) 871-3648

Assistance Programs:

**Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP/CHAP)**

Appointments to apply for the 2019/2020 Energy Assistance Program are now being scheduled. On behalf of eligible households, the winter heating assistance program pays for such heating sources as oil, natural gas, electricity, propane, kerosene, coal and wood/pellets. Homeowners and renters may apply. Eligibility for energy assistance is based on income, liquid assets and size of household.

**Income Guidelines for Connecticut Energy Assistance Program**

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To request a list of required documentation, schedule an appointment or learn more about this program, contact Tolland Human Services at (860) 871-3648. Information regarding eligibility and required documents will also be posted on the Tolland website, www.tolland.org (Human Services Dept., Energy Assistance). Residents may also contact the ACCESS Agency in Willimantic, (860) 450-7423. **All documents must be current and available at the time of your appointment.** We are unable to process walk-in applications.

**Operation Fuel Emergency Fuel/Utility Assistance Programs**

Tolland residents who meet the 2019/2020 Operation Fuel income guidelines may contact Human Services with inquiries as to their eligibility and the availability of funds for Operation Fuel Emergency assistance; this program assists with utilities and/or deliverable fuels, depending on the season.

For further information, Tolland residents may contact Nancy Dunn at (860) 871-3612.

**Food Bank**

The Food Bank gratefully appreciates donations from individuals, neighborhoods, youth groups, organizations and businesses. Tolland residents needing to use the Food Bank, and those wishing to make donations to the Food Bank, may contact Tolland Human Services at (860) 871-3648; Senior households may contact Rebecca Ellert, (860) 870-3726, to inquire about using the Food Bank.

**FoodShare Mobile Food Pantry**

The FoodShare Mobile Food Pantry is available in Tolland on alternate Thursdays, 9-9:30 a.m. in the parking lot adjacent to the United Congregational Church of Tolland, 45 Tolland Green. Pre-registration and identification are not required. For more information about FoodShare, residents may contact FOODSHARE at (860) 286-9999 or the UCC office at (860) 875-4160, or visit the FOODSHARE website, www.foodshare.org.

For the next few months, distribution at the Tolland site will be on the following dates:

- December 5 & 19, 2019
- January 2, 16 & 30
- February 13 & 27
- March 12 & 26, 2020 from 9:00-9:30 a.m.

Residents participating in the program must bring their own bags.

**Please Note:** As of January 1, 2020, FoodShare Mobile Food Pantry will not deliver when the schools are closed due to inclement weather.

**Youth Programming- Save the Dates!**

**TYSCT Coffee House 2020 winter/spring schedule:**

- **Friday, March 20, 2020 (Auditions: Monday, March 9)**
- **Friday, May 22, 2020 (Auditions: Monday, May 11)**
- **Performances: 7 PM Tolland High School café.**

**Admission:** $5 and a toiletries item for the Tolland Food Bank. (Admission includes light refreshments)

The event features original and popular vocal selections performed by area high school youth.

**And for those already planning next summer’s vacations ...**

**TYSCT Summer Musical (Title to be determined)**

- **Performances - Friday & Saturday, July 24 & 25, 2020**
- **7 PM, Tolland High School**

Registration Forms available online beginning April 2, 2020. Audition date to be announced.

Rehearsals begin Monday, June 22, 6 PM, Tolland High School.
For more information about these and other programs and services for Tolland youth and families, residents may contact Nancy Dunn, (860) 871-3612 or nancydunn@tolland.org. Please visit us at www.tolland.org for more information, and watch for press releases about upcoming events.

**Elderly Outreach/Case Management Services**

Would you or a loved one benefit from Elderly Outreach/Case Management Services?

Navigating the world of programs and services can be confusing as there are so many options out there. Together, Tolland Elderly Outreach Worker Rebecca Ellert and Tolland Human Services Case Manager Jeanne Pitney have over 50 years of experience working with elders.

Case Management services include:

- An Assessment of the elder's current health, financial and living situation
- Identification of community resources and funding options for home care services such as Transportation, Home Delivered Meals, Insurance, Adult Day Care, Emergency Response Systems etc.
- Developing a Plan of Care based on the client's needs/situation and
- Monitoring of the elders situation

Both Rebecca and Jeanne are Certified Choices Counselors and are available to help you understand your options regarding Medicare including Medigap and Medicare Advantage Plans.

Contact Jeanne at Tolland Human Services (860) 871-3615 or Rebecca at the Senior Center (860) 870-3726 to arrange a consultation.

**HVCC Dial-A-Ride Program**

Dial-A-Ride is a transportation program (wheelchair accessible) for residents who are at least 60 years of age or are disabled. Rides are available to locations in Vernon, Ellington and Tolland. Trips include medical appointments, social, shopping, and recreational activities. Medical trips are made to Manchester (Monday & Thursdays) and South Windsor (1st & 3rd Tuesdays) when available. All appointments are on a first come, first serve basis. You will need to reserve your ride both to the appointment and from the appointment. In order to provide a return ride you will need to estimate the duration of your stay at your appointment. You may reserve your ride up to 8 weeks in advance. There is an annual $20.00 registration fee and a $2.00 donation for each trip. Round trips are $4.00. You must have exact change. No Passenger is refused. Call (860) 870-7940 to make a reservation or for more information.

**Tolland Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program**

The Tolland Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program provides zero percent interest loans to eligible residents for home repair projects that include, but are not limited to: septic systems, well repair, roofing and siding, replacement windows, insulation, ADA improvements, plumbing, electrical and heating systems.

To be eligible, yearly gross income must not exceed amounts listed below:

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For an application or for more information, residents who are interested and feel they may be income eligible may contact Tolland Human Services at ((860) 871-3648). All information provided to the Tolland Housing Rehabilitation Loan Program will be kept confidential.
Town of Tolland Fair Housing Notice
Submitted by Beverly Bellody, Director of Human Services

Beverly Bellody, Director of Tolland Human Services, serves as the Fair Housing Officer for the Town of Tolland. The Federal Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental and financing of dwellings, and in other housing-related transactions, based on race, color, national origin, sex, religion, familial status or the presence of children, or disability.

Under the Connecticut Fair Housing Act, it is against the law to deny anyone housing based on race, color, national origin, ancestry, sex, religion, familial status or the presence of children, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, age (except minors), lawful source of income, veteran status or gender identity or expression. If you feel your rights have been denied in the equal access to the rental, sale or financing of residential property, please contact Beverly Bellody at (860) 871-3611, Mon.-Wed. 8:00 am-4:30 pm, Thurs. 8:00 am-7:30 pm, closed on Friday.

For more information you can also contact The Connecticut Fair Housing Center, 221 Main Street, Hartford, CT 06106, 860-247-4236, or email at info@ctfairhousing.org. The Connecticut Fair Housing Center also has information about foreclosure prevention.

SENIOR CENTER NEWS

Senior Center Day Trips for 2019/20
All trips are subject to change

Contact the Senior Center to make a reservation (860-870-3730).

• December 12th - Aqua Turf, Plantsville, CT- Glenn Miller Orchestra
• March 18th - The Log Cabin, Holyoke, MA- “Leprechauns & Linguini”

Senior Center Overnight Trip for 2020
All trips are subject to change

Contact the Senior Center to make a reservation (860-870-3730).

• June 5-7, 2020 (Friday-Sunday) Island Hopping Nantucket ♦ Martha’s Vineyard
  COST: $589 pp double/triple; $729 pp single

Note-ables Chorus Concert
• Sunday, December 15, 2019; 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
  Free to the public at the Tolland Arts Center
  22 Tolland Green

Annual Senior Center Variety Show
• Friday, April 24, 2020 at 7:00 pm
  Tolland High School, 1 Eagle Hill
  Admission: Adults $10; 17 & Under $7

Tolland Planning & Development

Did you know that many permits can be applied and paid for online? Visit the Building Department webpage and click the Online Permit Center button to start your application. Having proper permits will not only guarantee the work is approved and inspected, but will benefit you if you decide to sell your home. Did you know that homeowner’s insurance claims may be denied due to unpermitted home improvements? Our office staff is happy to answer any questions you may have on the permit process.

While you’re on the Building Dept. page, check out our many Reference Materials and Links. There is quite a bit of information provided to help you with your home improvement projects, including swimming pools, decks, additions and more.

With the snow and ice, come many problems for our homes. Residents with direct-vent pellet stoves, boilers, water heaters and furnaces should verify that the intake and exhaust vents are not buried by blowing and drifting snow. Direct-vent appliances are those that don’t have a typical chimney system; they often have plastic pipes going through the exterior wall, low to the ground. If these pipes are blocked, deadly carbon monoxide can build up in your home. Please don’t become a statistic!

Before the snow arrives, consider calling in professional help to address any ice dam issues your roof may have had last year. The root cause is usually a lack of ceiling insulation and/or attic ventilation. We always recommend using a competent, licensed and insured contractor for any home improvement project. A professional contractor will take care of the permit requirements for you and will provide peace of mind knowing that the work is done properly and to current code requirements.

If you have questions for Jim Paquin, the Building Official, he is usually available in the office Mon-Thurs, 8:00-10:00 AM and noon-2:00PM. He is also available Thursday evenings from 6:00-7:30PM.

www.tolland.org
2019 Conservation Commission Photo Contest – Winning Photos Announced

Congratulations to the 2019 Conservation Photo Contest winners! The Conservation Commission is pleased to announce the four winning entries from Mark Jackson, Kathy Pagan, Marian Murphy, and Patti Soucy. To view all photos submitted, see https://www.tolland.org/conservation-commission/slideshows/2019-conservation-commission-photo-contest-slideshow

Tolland Photo Contest Winners
TOLLAND CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Category: Natural Landscapes in Tolland
“Shenipsit Lake Fog” by Mark Jackson

Category: Working on Tolland Trails
“Serenity Seat” by Marian Murphy

Category: People on the Tolland Trails
“Peek a Boo in the Corridor” by Kathy Pagan

Category: Wildlife
by Patty Soucy
Winter Parking Bans
Residents are reminded of the winter parking ban in effect from November 1st through April 15th. Overnight parking is not allowed on public streets or municipal parking lots between the hours of midnight and 6:00 AM. A parking ban may also be declared if a significant snow event is forecast or in progress. For information on whether a parking ban has been declared (beyond the midnight to 6 AM ban) tune to WFSB (CBS), WTNH (ABC) or WVIT (NBC). You can also get updates on our Facebook page @Tolland Works.

Snow Removal
Snow and ice may not be plowed, blown or shoveled into the street. This practice presents a hazard to passing motorists and may contribute to unsafe road conditions. Please remember that you will also be held responsible for any actions of a contractor hired by you.

Mailboxes
Your mailbox should be in good repair, firmly attached to a solid post and properly placed so no part of it is over the pavement. It will have to withstand countless tons of flying snow this winter and it may require periodic maintenance. If a mailbox or post is pushed over or damaged as a result of snow or slush coming off a snowplow, it is considered a winter hazard and the Town will not repair or replace the mailbox or post. The height of the bottom of the mailbox to the street should be between 42”-48” and the mailbox door should be 6 to 8 inches back from the front face of the curb or road edge.

Garbage & Recycling Tote Placement
Residents are reminded that garbage and recycling totes should be placed within 18” of the curb or roadside. Please know that they are to be placed on your property, not in the street. Doing so not only creates a public safety issue but also hinders snow removal operations. The Town is not responsible for damage done to totes by plows.

Portable Basketball Hoops
Portable basketball hoops and similar items should NOT be in the Town Right-of-Way. The Town is not responsible for damage done by plows to such items left in the Town Right-of-Way.

Catch Basins & Storm Inlets
Help minimize street flooding by shoveling snow and ice from in front of the storm inlet nearest your house. This includes keeping catch basin grates free of leaves and other debris all year long!

Sidewalk Clearing
By Town Ordinance it is the responsibility of owners and occupants of buildings and vacant lots to remove snow, sleet and ice from public sidewalks abutting their property within 24 hours after the storm has concluded. Failure to comply with this ordinance may result in a fine. Please remember that the final snow plow pass is not made until after the storm has concluded. Your cooperation in clearing sidewalks is an essential safety measure for pedestrians using the sidewalks.

Christmas Trees
Tolland does not offer curb side pick up of Christmas trees. However, Christmas trees may be dropped off at Crandall’s II, near the Lodge driveway, from December 26th through January 26th.
**ALL ELECTIONS** (MUNICIPAL, GUBERNATORIAL, PRESIDENTIAL AND PRIMARIES) ARE HELD AT THE RECREATION CENTER AND SENIOR CENTER

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

On April 28, 2020, there will be a statewide Presidential Preference Primary. It may be a dual primary for Republicans and Democrats. To vote in this primary YOU must be registered as a Republican or Democrat. If you are in the following parties and wish to change your party affiliation in order to vote in the April 28th primary, you **must change your party affiliation by January 28th**:

- Democratic
- Republican
- Independent
- Working Families
- Green
- Libertarian
- Liberal

If you are not registered with a political party, you are an **Unaffiliated voter**. You may change your party affiliation to either Democratic or Republican up until noon on April 27th and be able to vote in the primary.

To register to vote online or to make changes to your voter registration card (name, address, party etc.), please visit [www.govote.ct.gov](http://www.govote.ct.gov) and follow the prompts. You will need a valid Connecticut Driver's license.

Please visit our WEBSITE [www.TollandElections.org](http://www.TollandElections.org) for answers to many questions you may have.

Absentee ballots and applications may be obtained in the Town Clerk’s office in Town Hall.

If you have any further questions, please call the Registrars of Voters at 871-3634.

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Programs

Holiday Flowers

Robert Buettner, who teaches floral design at Manchester Community College, will be making several holiday arrangements in the library program room on Tuesday, December 10 at 6:30 pm. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Tolland Public Library and is free and open to all. Please call the library to register (860-871-3620) or sign up online at Tolland.org/library and scroll down to Online Library Events Calendar.

Holiday Cookies

The Friends of the Tolland Public Library encourage you to purchase and/or bake for their annual Holiday Cookie Platter Sales. Cookies will be accepted at the library on Thursday, December 12 from 10 until 8 and on Friday, December 13 from 10 until noon. Prepared platters which need to be prepaid may be picked up at the Senior Center on Saturday, December 14 from 9 until 11 AM. Cookies are $14 for a two pound platter; cash and checks are accepted.

Author Talk

Tolland resident Kimberly Palmucci will be talking about her Purr-fectly book series for children on Saturday, January 11 at 1 pm. The colorful picture book series was inspired by Kimberly's three-legged cats. Patrons are encouraged to bring in pet food and care products to support Monkey's Pack, a local animal rescue organization.

Author Talk

Fans of UConn’s storied women’s basketball team will definitely want to turn out Tuesday, Jan. 21 at 7 p.m. to hear Jeff Goldberg talk about the renewed rivalry between the Huskies and the Tennessee women's team.

Milk Matters

Journalist and dairymaid Lucille Benoit will speak on Wednesday, January 15 at 6:30 pm about the current crisis for small dairy farms and the importance of public awareness, consumer action and constructive debate for the survival of dairy farms, cows and sustainable local food production. She will also speak on allergy reduction, lactose intolerance, California – the land of almond milk, and Walmart cows.

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21 Tolland Green. It is being sponsored by the Tolland Public Library Foundation as part of its Eaton-Dimock-King Authors Series. Please register by calling the library at 860 871-3620 or sign up online at tolland.org/library and look for Online Library Calendar.

Technology

On Saturday, January 25 at 10:15 am – 12:15 pm the Friends of the Tolland Public Library are sponsoring a digital decluttering workshop run by Gail McKenna, who has an M Ed in educational computing and received an Apple Distinguished Educator award in 2007.

Ways to minimize unwanted e-mail, organize digital files and free up space on computers and other devices will be covered. There will be a question and answer session and there will be time for one-on-one help implementing some of the ideas discussed. This will be limited to 12 people and is for computers and iPads, not phones. Please call the library (860 871-3620) to register or sign up online at tolland.org/library and look for Online Library Calendar.

Take Your Child to the Library Day

Celebrate Take Your Child to the Library Day at the Tolland Public Library on Saturday, February 1. Stop by the library to sign up for a library card, check out books, make a bookmark and more! The Golden Discovery Center will be open for you to experience virtual reality, music/video editing and game construction software. Please call the library to sign up for a time slot. Visit the library’s online calendar of events to see all the fun things planned for the day!

Puzzle Contest

Tolland Public Library’s first annual puzzle contest is set for Saturday, February 8 at 1 pm. Teams or individuals are given 500 piece puzzles to complete at the library. Prizes, food and fun are in store. Please register by calling 860 871-3620 or sign up online at tolland.org/library and look for Online Library Events Calendar.

Music

The Lost Acres String Band will be performing in February, date to be determined.

Ongoing Groups

The Friends of the Tolland Public Library will meet on the first Monday of the month at 11 am in the library’s program room. The group is always looking for new members so just stop in.

The Meditation group meets on the second Tuesday and the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the program room. This group is run by Kathy Grinold and is appropriate for beginners and more experienced practitioners.

The Tolland Tabletop Game Group meets on the second and fourth Thursday nights of the month at 6 pm. Come with your family or not and participate in some board game play.

The Adult Book Discussion Group meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 2 pm. We provide the books and questions.

The Writers Workshop meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 6 pm in the Audiovisual Room. Participants of this group share their work and receive support from other members.

The Cook Book Club meets on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 pm to discuss an assigned food topic.

Nookless Knitters meet every Friday at 10 am in the Program Room.

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Beginning in January, 2020

5* Thursday Classes: 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm  
Jan. 23rd, Feb. 6th, Feb. 13th,  
Feb. 20th, Feb. 27th and

3* Saturday Classes: 8:00 am to 12:00 pm  
Feb. 1st, Feb. 8th, Feb. 15th

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Free Preparedness Training

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American Red Cross - Winter Storm Terminology

According to the American Red Cross web-site, each year hundreds of Americans are injured or killed by exposure to cold, vehicle accidents on wintry roads, and fires caused by the improper use of heaters. Being prepared could reduce those statistics.

Take immediate precautions if you hear these words on the news:

Winter Storm WARNING: Life-threatening, severe winter conditions have begun or will begin within 24 hours.

Blizzard WARNING: Sustained winds or frequent gusts of 35 miles per hour or greater, plus considerable falling or blowing snow reducing visibility to less than a quarter mile, expected to prevail for three hours or longer.

More terminology to listen for:

• WIND CHILL Temperature: How cold people and animals feel when outside. As wind increases, heat is carried away from your body at a faster rate, driving down your body temperature and making you feel much colder. The wind chill temperature is not the actual temperature but rather how wind and cold feel on exposed skin.

• Winter Storm OUTLOOK: Winter storm conditions possible in the next two to five days. Stay tuned to local media for updates.

• Winter Storm WATCH: Winter storm conditions possible within the next 36 to 48 hours. Review your winter storm plans and stay informed about weather conditions.

• Winter Weather ADVISORY: Winter weather conditions expected to cause significant inconveniences and may be hazardous but not life-threatening if you are cautious.

Visit the American Red Cross web-site www.redcross.org search Winter Storm Safety to learn what to do to keep your loved ones safe during blizzards and other winter storms! https://www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/types-of-emergencies/winter-storm.html

Save the Dates for Preparedness Training

Tolland Public Safety
Downed utility lines, power company blackouts, heavy snow falls or summer storms can all lead to power outages. Many people turn to a portable generator for a temporary solution without knowing the risks.

- Generators should be used in well ventilated locations outside away from all doors, windows and vent openings.
- Never use a generator in an attached garage, even with the door open.
- Place generators so that exhaust fumes can’t enter the home through windows, doors or other openings in the building.
- Make sure to install carbon monoxide (CO) alarms in your home. Follow manufacturer’s instructions for correct placement and mounting height.
- Turn off generators and let them cool down before refueling. Never refuel a generator while it is hot.
- Store fuel for the generator in a container that is intended for the purpose and is correctly labeled as such. Store the containers outside of living areas.

Just Remember...
When plugging in appliances, make sure they are plugged directly into the generator or a heavy duty outdoor-rated extension cord. The cords should be checked for cuts, tears and that the plug has all three prongs, especially a grounding pin.

If you must connect the generator to the house wiring to power appliances, have a qualified electrician install a properly rated transfer switch in accordance with the National Electrical Code® (NEC) and all applicable state and local electrical codes.

CO deaths associated with generators have spiked in recent years as generator sales have risen.

Tolland Public Safety
Rob DaBica, Fire Marshal
Wood & Pellet Stove Safety

As the temperature drops outside, wood and pellet stoves may be fired up inside the home. What you may not realize is that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fires during the winter months.

- Have a QUALIFIED professional install stoves, chimney connectors, and chimneys.
- Stoves should be listed by a qualified testing laboratory.
- In wood stoves, burn only DRY, seasoned wood. In pellet stoves, burn only dry, seasoned wood pellets.
- Have your chimney and stove INSPECTED and cleaned by a certified chimney sweep every fall just before heating season.
- CLEAN the inside of your stove periodically using a wire brush.
- Allow ashes to COOL before disposing of them. Place ashes in a covered metal container. Keep the container at least 10 feet away from the home and other buildings.
- Keep a CLOSE EYE on children whenever a wood or pellet stove is being used. Remind them to stay at least 3 feet away from the stove.
- Stoves need SPACE. Keep anything that can burn at least 3 feet away from the stove.
- INSTALL and maintain carbon monoxide alarms (CO) outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home. For the best protection, interconnect the CO alarms. When one sounds, they all sound.

SMOKE ALARM SENSE

Install and maintain smoke alarms on EVERY level of your home, outside each separate sleeping area and inside each bedroom. For the best protection, interconnect the alarms.
When one sounds, they all sound. TEST all smoke alarms at least monthly.

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