Winter Festival
Saturday, December 6th
Sponsored by Parks & Recreation and BCS PTO

Our Winter Festival will be filled with many wonderful family-fun events.

Craft Show
10:00 am — 4:00 pm
Location: BCS Gym

Enjoy 20 plus crafters and independent consultants selling items such as jewelry, seasonal centerpieces and more. Santa will be here for picture taking. Enter into our Tea Cup raffle and buy delicious baked treats.

Admission: Free

Hearty Soup & Cider Lunch
11:00 am — 3:00 pm
Location: BCS Cafe

Join us for lunch and enjoy a hearty soup in a fresh-baked bread bowl with cider. Five delicious soups from which to choose. Provided by Liquid Lunch of Shelton.

Tickets: $7.00 per person

Questions or to place orders, please contact kimm.goclawski@pb.com

Book Fair
10:00 am — 4:00 pm
Location: BCS Gym

Featuring a wonderful selection, from picture books to adult fare, there will be something for everyone. Come fill out your wish lists and stocking stuffers. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted.

Admission: Free

Tree Lighting Ceremony & Holiday Concert
6:00 pm — 8:00 pm
Location: Town Hall

Gather for our tree lighting and festive light display, while sipping a hot cup of cocoa. Welcome our special guests as they arrive on a horse-drawn carriage. Step into the warmth and enjoy music of the season featuring The Bethany Band and a special performance by our BCS Chorus.

Admission: Free

Holiday Home Decorating Contest
For Bethany Resident Only

Show your Holiday spirit by decorating the exterior of your home for our annual Holiday Home Decorating Contest! Enter your beautifully decorated home in one of the four different categories: Most Unique, Nighttime, Daytime, and Children’s Favorite. Entry is free, just fill out our registration form on the back. Enter your vote for the Children's Favorite by picking up a ballot at our office or going to our website.

Forms must be returned by December 22nd. Judging will be on December 22nd – 24th, between 4:00 P.M. and 9:30 P.M. Voting for Children’s Favorite must be in before December 28th.

Winners will be notified by January 5th 2009.

With Appreciation

We would like to thank these volunteers who made our Harvest Weekend so successful:

2nd Annual Gingerbread House Contest

Start planning now to enter your culinary masterpiece in our Gingerbread House Contest as a part of our Winter Festival. Explore your creative talents and challenge your imaginations.

Contest Information: Categories are Individual and/or Group (older participants prevail)

- Children: Kindergarten—2nd Grade
- Children: 3rd Grade—4th Grade
- Youth: 5th Grade—6th Grade
- Teen: 7th Grade—8th Grade
- Teen: 9th Grade—12th Grade
- Adult: College and above

You must register by Tuesday, December 2nd. Entry Fee for all categories is $1.00. Ribbons will be awarded 1st, 2nd and 3rd in all categories.

Gingerbread Houses must be delivered to the Town Hall Gym on Saturday, December 6th between 4:30pm—5:30pm. All entries will be displayed during our festival.

Winning entries will be on display from December 6th through December 13th in the Town Hall Lobby. They must be removed by 5:00pm, December 13th. Houses not picked up by December 13th will be discarded. Non-winning entries must be removed by December 9th.

Official Rules:
Entries and their foundation shall not exceed 15 inches in width or height. Foundations must be sturdy for easy transport. Children should create their own decoration without adult assistance. Parents please assist and supervise all children when using stovetops, ovens and microwaves, etc. Entries must be made entirely of edible materials with the exception of the foundation. Entries must be original creations, do not use store-bought gingerbread houses or gingerbread house kits, please. One entry per person per category. Please be aware that points will be deducted from an entry’s overall score for any rule infractions.

Judging Information:
Judging will be based on overall appearance, originality, creativity, holiday theme, craftsmanship, and architecture, as well as adherence to the official contest rules.

Judging will be held on Saturday, December 6th at 5:45pm. The decision of the judges are final.

Ski Trips for Skiers and Snowboarders
Mount Southington
Fridays Dates: Jan 9, 16, 23, 30 Feb 6, 13
Departure: 4:15 p.m. Sharp from the Town Hall Parking Lot and Returns at 11:00 p.m.
Open to grades 4 and up. Younger grades are welcome to participate accompanied by a parent.
If you would like to chaperone, please let us know.
Registration forms and fee information are available at our office or online.

For the Dogs
Wag — N — Train Dog Training
Learn basic obedience skills and meet other dog lovers. All dogs must have all their shots. Dogs must be 6 months or older. Meets Tuesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Starts November 18th. Located at the Bethany Town Hall Gym.
Instructor Liz Smith. Fee: $90 for a 6-week session.

Coming in the Spring
Paws for a Cause Dog Walk-a-Thon
HELP NEEDED
Be a part of our annual Winter Festival. We are looking volunteers and sponsors. Any amount of time or donation would be greatly appreciated.
Yoga

The yoga workout combines the benefits of traditional yoga with fitness movement, for a total mind and body workout. Meets Thursday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Located at the Bethany Town Hall Gym. Our instructor is Bill Banick, who is RYT- certified. Join anytime. Wear comfortable clothes, bring a towel or yoga mat.

Adult Programs

Cardio & Muscle Toning & Evening Aerobics

Enjoy invigorating Exercise Class. Meets Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Located at the Bethany Town Hall Gym. Our Instructor, Ginger Vecchio is AFAA-certified. Join anytime!

Morning Cardio with Children’s Fun

Enjoy Ginger for a morning workout with child care provided. Meets Thursday mornings from 9:15am to 10:15am for 4 weeks. Starting Nov. 20th Pre-Registration required. Located: Town Hall Gym Our Instructor Ginger Vecchio Fee: $50 for residents and $55 for non-residents for a 8 week session or $10.00 per session.

Adult Basketball Pick-Up League

Pick up basketball league is open to all this is a great way to stay in shape. Games are “pick up” style with teams being selected on a nightly basis. The adult “pick up” league is held on Tuesday nights at Amity Jr. High School. Games are played from 6:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m. beginning in November and running through April. There is a $20.00 registration fee for the session. Call for details and registration form.

Wee Friends Playgroup

Come along and sing songs, listen to stories, create crafts and have a snack. This is a terrific atmosphere to make new friends. Open to children from 0 to 4 years old. Meets Mondays at the Town Hall Community Room from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Fee: $35.00 for residents and $40.00 for non-residents for an 8 week session. On Going Program

Creative Workshops for Little Ones

We will explore together splattering of paint, squishing clay, as well as lot of fun materials. Open to children from 2 to 5 years old. Meets Thursday starting December 4th at the Town Hall Community Room from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Fee: $45.00 for residents and $50.00 for non-residents for a 6- week session or $10.00 per session.

Future Pros

Introduction to commonly played sports through the use of age appropriate equipment. Children will develop social skills while learning a new sport each week. Fee: $35.00 for residents and $40.00 for non-residents for an 6 week session. Location Town Hall Gym

Future Stars Sports

Future Star program is designed for players between the ages of 2 through 6 years of age. The goal of this program is to get the children’s interest for the sport. Fun games involving basics skills, coordination, teamwork and leadership will be played. It will help the children to be comfortable with the sport.

Basketball

Begins: Saturday, December 13th for 6 Weeks Meets at the Town Hall Gym 9-10 a.m. Fee $45 for residents and $50 for non-residents

Karate

Begins: Saturday, February 7th for 6 Weeks Meets at the Town Hall Gym 9-10 a.m. Fee $45 for residents and $50 for non-residents

Don’t forget to use these facilities for Winter fun.... Veteran’s Memorial Park is great for sledding. Pole Hill Road perfect for ice skating.
Registration Form

40 Peck Road Bethany, CT. 06524 * 393-2100 ext. 127 * Bethany-CT.com

REGISTER NOW! By Mail, Drop-Box or Walk-In. Please note that some classes fill quickly, so register as soon as possible. Programs are available to everyone. You may register for upcoming activities by retrieving our registration form at Bethany-ct.com/epapers. Assume that you are registered for your class unless otherwise notified. You will be notified only if the class is full or if there are any class changes.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND COMPLETE ENTIRE FORM—INCLUDING SIGNATURE!

First Name_________________________________________ Last Name______________________________________________
Address_________________________________________________________________ DOB_______________________________
Home Phone______________________________________ Cell Phone________________________________________________
Grade____________________ Bus #________________________Email_______________________________________________
Emergency Contact Name________________________________ Relationship to Enrollees____________________________
Phone #1____________________Phone #2___________________ Holiday Home Contest Category______________________

Any special concerns, needs or medical such as allergies, etc. Please explain______________________________________

Name of Program                                                                         Day(s)                       Fee
________________________________________       _________________      ____________   K-2_____ 3-4______
________________________________________       _________________      ____________   5-6_____ 7-8______
________________________________________       _________________      ____________    9-12____  Adult____

Shirt size     S______  M______ L_______ XL________  Adult_______   Child_______                          $1.00 per Entry

WAIVER OF TOWN LIABILITY:
Participants acknowledge that he/she or the parent or guardian has read and understands the information previously given. Participant/guardian/parent further certifies that he/she is in good physical condition and is fit to participate in this activity. Participant/parent-guardian understands that the Department’s Sports Activities have categories of inherent risk, that accidents can occur, and that he/she must always be alert for dangers to themselves and to other participants. In the event of an injury to myself or my family member , I give permission to the attending physician to render such treatment and agree to pay for the treatment. I release Bethany P&R, its employees and instructors. I understand that this release applies to any present or future injuries. I have read and sign the registration form voluntarily.

Name of Parent or Guardian ___________________________________ Signature_________________________________

Returned Checks—A check returned due to insufficient funds will result in an assessment of $30, which must be paid before activity attendance. Further enrollment for the household will be suspended until the fee is paid.

Refund/Credit Policy
The department may cancel classes that do not meet the minimum enrollment and refunds (or credits) will be issued. You may withdraw at any time up to five working days prior to the first day of class or program. Your refund will be less an administrative fee of $10.00. There will be no refund of registration monies once a program has started.

Home Decorating Contest
Most Unique_______
Nighttime_______ Daytime_______
Children’s Favorites_______

FOR OFFICE USE
Processed by_________
Date_________________
Check #______________
Amount $____________
Notes________________

Bethany Parks and Recreation
Program Regulations:
1. Registration fee must be paid in full before participation can be allowed
2. On programs of limited enrollment, Bethany residents have first preference.
3. If a program participant does not meet the standards of conduct required by the Bethany Parks and Recreation and is asked to leave the program, there will be no refund.

Note Regarding Printing Errors:
Our office staff does its best to make sure the information, including fees & dates contained in our newsletter and flyers are correct. However, sometimes mistakes are made. We apologize for any misprints, but reserved the right to charge the corrected fee where a misprint is found.

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