

WHO AM I?

WHAT HAPPENED?!

The Board of Selectmen Newsletter has been under construction and we are proud to bring you the newly revamped, action packed, 1st Edition of the **NEW** Town of Canton newsletter! Now every resident has the opportunity to enjoy a combined newsletter which includes items from the Library, Police, Parks & Recreation, Senior Services and the Town Hall Departments. The newsletter can also be viewed on our Town website at www.TownofCantonct.org. It is anticipated that the combined newsletter will be published three (3) times per year: May, September and December.

CORRECTIONS TO THE LITTLE RED PHONE BOOK

Please be advised of the following corrections to the Little Red Phone Book on Page 37. The correct number for all **Selectmen** is **693-7847** and the **Animal Control Officer** is **693-0221**. Also, the following was excluded:

Schools: www.cantonschools.org	
Superintendent	693-7704
Business Manager	693-7704
Pupil Personnel Director	693-7714
Cherry Brook Primary, 4 Barbourtown Rd	693-7721
Health Room	693-7649
Canton Intermediate, 39 Dyer Ave	693-7717
Health Room	693-7792
Canton Junior High, 76 Simonds Ave	693-7712
Canton High, 76 Simonds Ave	693-7707
Health Room	693-7201
Canton Parents as Teachers (CPAT)	693-7765

HAVE YOU BEEN NOTIFIED?

Our Town website has the ability to notify you by email for electronic delivery of Town news, public notices and agenda postings on the website. It is free and easy, just go to our website at www.TownofCantonct.org. In the left-hand margin of the Welcome page you'll see:



You can opt-in or out at any time to various categories such as Municipal Meetings, Canton Updates, Tax Reminders, and Emergency Notifications. This is a quick and easy way to stay informed of what is going on in Canton government. If you have any questions about this service, please call the Town Clerk at 693-7870.



PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

An existing tax relief ordinance has been expanded as a result of a Special Town Meeting on December 3, 2008. The ordinance authorizes a program of property tax relief for certain senior citizens and disabled taxpayers. Pursuant the new tax relief ordinance certain senior and disabled taxpayers who have an annual income of less than \$40,500 could qualify for a tax credit. The new ordinance can be viewed on the town website at www.TownofCantonct.org or a copy can be received at the Town Clerk or Tax Assessor's Offices. For additional information please call the Tax Assessor, Harry DerAsadourian at 693-7842.

GET OUT AND

You thought elections were over....we have a special ballot that needs your attention. As you can see, a title for our combined newsletter is still unknown. A list of great suggestions has been created by our Town Hall staff and this is your opportunity to get involved. A poll is available on our website to vote on the top five names. The polling will be open until March 1, 2009. The winner will be revealed in our next issue! Please visit our website at www.TownofCantonct.org and vote.

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MEETING SCHEDULES

Various Boards & Commissions
(Held Monthly at Community Center)

BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

First and Third Wednesday, 7PM

BOARD OF FINANCE:

Third Monday, 7:30PM

BOARD OF EDUCATION:

Second and Fourth Thursday, 7PM

LAND USE COMMISSIONS**CANTON CENTER HIST. DIST.**

Second Wednesday, 7PM

COLLINSVILLE HISTORICAL DIST.

Second Tuesday, 8PM (Town Hall)

CONSERVATION COMM:

Second Wednesday, 7:30PM

INLAND WETLANDS:

Second Thursday, 7PM

PLANNING COMMISSION:

First Monday, 7:30PM

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS:

Second Monday, 8PM

ZONING COMMISSION:

Third Wednesday, 7:30PM

OTHER COMMISSIONS**COMMISSION ON AGING:**

First Monday, 12PM

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Second Tuesday, 7:30PM

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

Second Wednesday, 7:15PM

OPEN SPACE COMMISSION:

First Tuesday, 7:30PM

PARKS & REC. COMMISSION:

Third Monday, 7PM

WATER POLLUTION:

Second Tuesday, 7PM

YOUTH SERVICE BUREAU:

Fourth Thursday, 6PM

TOWN HALL HOURS

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday

8:15AM to 4:30PM

Wednesday

8:15AM to 6:45PM

Friday

8:15AM to 12PM

TOWN WEBSITE

Please visit our website at www.townofcantonct.org and sign up for electronic notification of meetings and important information!

SELECTMEN'S CORNER

This is the first edition of the new Town of Canton newsletter which incorporates the Board of Selectmen's newsletter, the Parks and Recreation Program flyer, information from the Senior eScribe and a new section from the Canton Public Library. The Selectmen believe that this expanded newsletter will provide better information to citizens on Town programs and activities. While it will include information on Senior programs it will not replace the Senior Scribe.

The opportunities to provide the public with information have been recently curtailed with the Hartford Courant's format change; which has all but eliminated local news coverage. Printed media coverage of town issues is now limited to one weekly and two monthly newspapers. While the local subscribership of the Courant is not known, the loss of daily coverage as a public information source is troubling to the Board.

Over the last several years the Town has made an effort to increase electronic access to Town programs and events. Prior to the recent October 1st state mandate we have made the agendas and minutes of our Boards and Commissions available on the Town website. The QNotify system allows residents to access this information and the QAlert allows for the reporting of problems to Town officials. Unfortunately, less than 400 residents of our 7,000 registered voters are using the QNotify system; and the QAlert system is only used an average of less than 4 times per month.

The Board is committed to improving public dissemination of Town activities. The Charter Review Commission has also been exploring new ways to increase public participation in town government. The Board of Selectmen have asked the League of Women Voters to assist us in developing more effective public information dissemination and may consider establishing a temporary study Committee to pursue new techniques of outreach. In the mean time, we would appreciate your suggestions.

Best Regards,

The Board of Selectmen

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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**ALL TOWN OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED:**

Thursday, December 25, 2008 Christmas

Thursday, January 1, 2009 New Year's Day

Monday, January 19, 2009 Martin Luther King's Day

Monday, February 16, 2009 Washington's Birthday

Friday, April 10, 2009 Good Friday

SEARCHING FOR A PRODUCT, SERVICE OR BUSINESS IN CANTON? GO TO

www.CantonChamberofCommerce.com

- Nearly 300 businesses listed
- Fast search by product or service
- Detailed product & service descriptions
- Dynamic—frequent updates
- Website-linked for more information
- Find contact names, phone nos. and email addresses
- Listing is a member benefit with Chamber membership



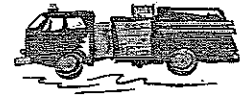
Canton Chamber of Commerce

NOTE OUR NEW LOCATION: Rt. 179, .2 MILES SOUTH OF OCEAN STATE JOB LOT.

110 River Road • Canton • 860.693.0405

info@cantonchamberofcommerce.com

HELP WANTED!



The Canton Volunteer Fire & EMS Department needs volunteers.

Valuing Life...at a Moment's Notice.

Join us today!

Please visit our website at www.cantonfireandems.org or call our Chief at 693-7858 or 693-2325.

VOLUNTEER BOARD / COMMISSION VACANCIES

Serving on a Board or Commission is a great way to become involved in our community and meet the needs of Canton's citizens. Vacancies currently exist on the following boards and commissions:

- Canton Center Historic District Commission
- Canton Housing Authority
- Canton Public Library Board of Trustees
- Conservation Commission
- Economic Development Agency
- Farmington River Coordinating Committee
- Inland Wetlands & Watercourses Agency
- Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Commission
- Parks & Recreation Commission
- Plainville Area Cable Telephone Advisory Council
- Planning Commission
- Town Meeting Moderators
- Water Pollution Control Authority
- Youth Services Bureau
- Zoning Board of Appeals

Each Board / Commission holds monthly meetings; a schedule of which can be found on the second page of this newsletter or on the Town's webpage. If you are interested in serving or would like more information, please contact Richard Barlow at 693-7847.

LANDOWNERS INTERESTED IN PRESERVATION: CONTACT OPEN SPACE BOARD

Canton landowners interested in seeing their land preserved forever are invited to contact the Town of Canton Open Space Preservation and Acquisition Commission. Several programs and options are available to help landowners minimize their tax burden. If preservation of your land is in your long-term plan, the Open Space Commission, in consultation with the Canton Land Conservation Trust, the Trust for Public Lands and other experts, is ready to work with you.

The Open Space Commission members work with town officials to seek grants, combined with town funds, to help pay for the land or the purchase of development rights. Landowners who sell development rights retain private ownership but agree to leave the land undeveloped.

Interested parties are invited to contact Open Space Commission Chairman Bill Spatcher at 693-8645 or Charlie DeWeese, Open Space Commission member and president of the Canton Land Conservation Trust at 693-3988.

Residents who would like to serve on the Open Space Commission are welcome to contact First Selectman, Dick Barlow.

TRANSFER STATION NEWS

Due to escalating costs, the Town Transfer Station fees will increase for 2009. Permit stickers are on sale now at the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours and will be \$100 for the calendar year. All residents **MUST** present a copy of their vehicle's REGISTRATION for each car in need of a sticker.

Bulky waste fees will be as follows:

Type of Vehicle	Disposal Fee
Car	\$ 10
Station Wagon/Mini Van/Truck/SUV/Trailer	
½ load	\$ 15
full load	\$ 30
Dump Truck	
½ load	\$ 50
full load	\$100

There will be a charge for "white goods" as well as tires:

White Goods with Freon	\$ 25 ea.
White Goods without Freon	\$ 5 ea.
Regular Tires	\$ 5 ea.
Truck Tires	\$ 15 ea.

There will be a charge for brush, limbs and leaves:

Car, Pick-up, Minivan and Trailer	\$ 5
Dump Truck	\$ 15

Tokens are needed to dispose of waste, leaves, and brush to be chipped. Tokens must be purchased Town Clerk's office and redeemed at Transfer Station at the time of your off. Money will **not** be accepted at the Transfer Station. For more information, go to our website at www.TownofCantonct.org



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DID YOU KNOW?

It saves the town and its taxpayers money when we recycle. Only approximately one-tenth of all solid garbage in the US gets recycled. Let's increase Canton's recycling for our New Year's resolution!



Between Dec 26 and Jan 31 Christmas trees can be dropped off at the Transfer Station free of charge.

RECYCLING TRIVIA

RECYCLE THOSE PLASTIC BOTTLES: Each hour, people in the United States use two and a half million plastic bottles.

INSTEAD of throwing out something that you don't want anymore, see if someone else could use it.

CAN YOU BELIEVE: New York City alone throws out enough garbage each day to fill the Empire State Building!

The energy saved by recycling a glass bottle instead of making a new one would light a single light bulb for four hours.

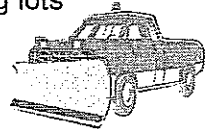
WOW: For every ton of paper that is recycled, it saves seventeen trees.

CANTON PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT


Currently we are wrapping up the fall season, by finishing up all small drainage projects, cleaning catch basins and servicing and preparing vehicles for winter.

There are currently 70 miles of town roads. There are seven different routes and each truck has a 10 mile route. During a storm a truck has to pass a road twice to make it passable, which takes approximately two and half hours (2 ½). During clean up after a storm, each truck is required to make four (4) passes on each road. Additionally, the Highway Department is required to plow all school drives and parking areas, Town Hall parking lot, Library/Community Center parking, Police Department, three (3) firehouse parking lots and the transfer station.

Please call Walter LeGeyt if you have any questions or concerns at 693-7863 or via email at WLegeyt@TownOfCantonCT.org.



2009 Softball/Baseball Registration

Boys & Girls Ages 7-18
Sponsored by Canton Little League 



Where: **at the Shoppes at Farmington Valley**

When: **Sunday, Jan 18th** (Snow Date Sunday, Jan 25th)

Time: **4 - 7 pm**

Fee: **20% Early Sign-Up Discount**

Free Hot Dogs & Soda, Coupons, Drawing & Games

Please visit www.TownofCantonct.org for discount information and larger ad.

TOWN TEAM NEWS

MEET DARRIEN LYNN

Position in Town: Parks and Recreation Program Supervisor

Background: After graduating college, and before moving to Connecticut, Darrien taught 4th grade. Changing positions, Darrien went into advertising sales for the New Haven Register newspaper. She then broadened her horizons as an Admissions Counselor for 4 years and was promoted to Admissions Director.

Education: Darrien holds a Bachelor's Degree in Education / Communications from St. Thomas University, Miami, FL. Darrien also has a Real Estate License in the State of Connecticut.

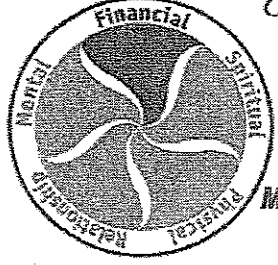
Best Part of the Job: Getting to know the town residents and being able to make a difference. As a town resident, it is important to continually make Canton a great place to live and work! Planning events and programs is exciting, along with the challenge of making improvements to the pool and Summer Camp programs.

Personal: A proud resident of almost 5 years, she and her husband David of 14 years, joined Newcomers and met great people that have become close friends. They are proud parents of Taylor, a 7th grade student at Canton Middle School. She loves watching her daughter's sports games, spending time with friends, trying new recipes and her book club. Darrien travels to Vermont in the Fall and Martha's Vineyard in the Summer and hopes to visit Europe in the near future.

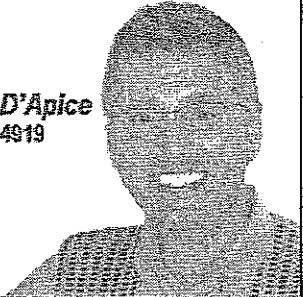
Join us for our January Open House!



Trinity Nursery School
55 River Road
Canton, CT 06019
(860) 693-4615



Create Financial Health and Enhance Well-being through Money-MindfulnessSM



Michael A. D'Apice
(860) 693-4919

PO Box 165, Canton Center, CT 06020
moneymindfulness@hotmail.com

MEET BRUCE HOBEN

Volunteer Position in Town: Although Bruce has recently resigned, the Board of Selectmen would like to recognize his dedication of 20+ years as the Housing Authority Chairman.

Background: A Connecticut native who grew up in the Waterbury / Naugatuck area, Bruce moved to Canton in 1968 where he served as Avon and Farmington's Town Planner. Currently, Bruce is a partner at Planimetrics, LLC, a planning consulting firm located in Avon.

Education: An Undergraduate Degree in History from Fairfield University and a Masters in City Planning from Georgia Tech.

Best Part of Volunteering: Meeting other people, finding compromises that work and the exposure to new and different ideas.

Personal: Happily married to Canton native, Susan Case Ducharme for 41 years; they have two children Sasha and Justin. Proud grandparents of Mae Avery Pickett and Ruby Monroe Hoben.

Thank You!



Welcome! The Town is pleased to welcome the following new staff members to the Canton Team:

- **Richard Contrastano**, Republican Deputy Registrar
- **David Canny**, Police Dispatcher
- **Michelle Schroder**, Executive Assistant to CAO
- **Roland Klee**, Assistant Town Planner

Promotion! The Town is pleased to announce the following staff member who has been promoted:

- **Ann Barrett**, Library Aide

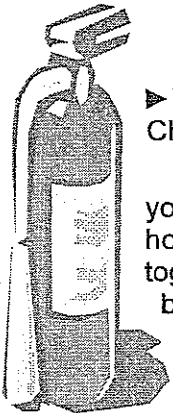
Thank you! The Town offers appreciation and thanks to the following individuals for their service to the community and best wishes for their future endeavors:

- **Eunice Przybysz**, Republican Deputy Registrar
- **Cheryl Attarian**, Library Aide

CANTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Canton Police Department will hold its annual holiday gift and food drive at The Shoppes at Farmington Valley on Friday, December 12, 2008 from 11am until 8pm. Gifts for all ages, tots through senior citizens, and food items will be welcomed and donated to Gifts for Canton and the Canton Community Food Bank to help brighten the holidays for Canton residents. The members of the Canton Police Department thank-you in advance for your continued generosity in support of these two very important community organizations.

The Canton Police Department reminds all residents that on-street parking during the winter season is prohibited from **November 15th through April 1st** to support snow removal efforts. Residents are reminded to adjust their speed for winter driving conditions and to contact the police department immediately if your vehicle becomes stuck or disabled in a snow storm so arrangements can be made to promptly remove your vehicle from the roadway.



FIRE MARSHAL

► Keep live Christmas trees watered. Dry Christmas trees catch fire easily.

► When hanging holiday lights, make sure you follow the manufacturer's instructions on how many light strands are able to be strung together. Ensure the lights have been tested by a listing company, such as Underwriters Laboratories.

► Have your chimney, wood stove and fire place inspected and cleaned.

Chimneys can build up creosote causing a blockage in the flue which may lead to poor ventilation and possible carbon monoxide poisoning in the home. Creosote buildup may also catch fire when heated causing a chimney fire that could extend to the rest of the house.

► Have your furnace or boiler inspected annually.

► Install smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors on each level of the house, ensuring one of each is located near each bedroom area.

► Do not run extension cords under rugs or carpets. Extension cords may overheat and subsequently cause a fire.

► Do not run your cars inside an attached garage for an extended period of time (i.e. to warm it up). Carbon monoxide will build up and collect in the house. Remember that carbon monoxide is the "silent killer". It is odorless and colorless.

► Make sure that fireplace or wood stove ashes are properly disposed of. Do not put hot coals in a wastebasket until cooled. A good practice is placing hot coals in a metal container outside and away from any structure.

TAX OFFICE REMINDER

For those who have a second tax installment due January 1st for real estate and/or personal property bills, please use the slip you were sent this past June to make your payment. If you are planning to make your January payment in December to enable you to take the tax deduction this year, please ensure that the payment is postmarked by December 31st.

If you would like an e-mail reminding you that the deadline is coming up, please go to the town website www.TownofCantonct.org, departments, tax collector, on bottom left, click on receive e-mail notifications and sign up.

Also, the Motor Vehicle Supplemental (MVS) bills will be sent out at the end of December; you will need to pay this bill by February 1, 2009 to avoid paying interest. You should **ONLY** receive a MVS bill if you registered a car between 10/2/07 and 8/31/08.

CANTON WATER POLLUTION CONTROL FACILITY

The Canton Water Pollution Control Facility was constructed in the 1960's and expanded and upgraded in the early 1990's. The newer portions of the facility are approaching 20 years old and the original treatment plant is over 40 years old. The plant operates under a State permit which requires advanced treatment and the facility is located in a heavily utilized recreational resource area supporting cycling, walking, kayaking, canoeing, fishing, bird watching, and swimming.

We have several capital projects underway. These include the Dowd Avenue Sewer Replacement Project (which will be completed in the spring of 2009), the Sand Filter Project (which will begin in December of this year), and the commencement of the SCADA System project which will utilize personal computers and programmable logic controllers enabling the staff of the WPCF to continue to operate and maintain the facility with minimal staff.

The State permit under which the facility operates came due in December 2007. The necessary paperwork was filed for renewal along with a request to re-rate the plant capacity at 950,000 gallons per day. This request has been tentatively approved by CT DEP. Our goal is to continue to properly operate and maintain the facilities and infrastructure, while protecting one of our most valuable natural resources, the Farmington River. Please visit the Town Website at www.TownofCantonct.org for further information.

CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon. – Thu. 10 AM to 8 PM
 Friday 10 AM to 5 PM
 Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM
 Sunday 1 PM to 4 PM
 (November 2nd – March 20th)

Canton Community Center
 40 Dyer Avenue
 Canton, CT 06019

Questions?

Call (860) 693-5800

Fax: (860) 693-5804

www.CantonPublicLibrary.org

IMPORTANT LIBRARY NEWS

- Check out the *Learning Express Library* database, which offers practice tests for people planning to apply for various academic programs and jobs. Canton residents who have used it rave about its usefulness. You can access *L.E.L.* via our website.
- For Canton residents, we now have a newly-designed library card that includes a keychain card option. Borrowers are encouraged to "trade in" their old blue cards for the new card at any time for free. You need not wait until your old card expires.
- Our website is being redesigned to make it more complete and useful. Watch for our new look in the new year.
- We deliver library books and other items to Canton residents who are shut-ins and cannot visit the library in person. For details, call the Reference Desk at 693-5800.

FRIENDS OF THE CPL

The Friends of the Canton Public Library meet at the library on the third Tuesday of every month, starting at 7:00 p.m. The Friends group organizes booksales and other fundraisers to raise money that supplements the library's operating budget. Just last month, the Friends purchased for us the *Learning Express Library* test-taking database that is now available for use through our website by Canton residents. In the past, The Friends have purchased books, DVDs, compact discs, and pieces of furniture and equipment for town residents to use and enjoy. New members are always welcome. **Please join!**



MUSIC SERIES

Sunday afternoons at 2:00 p.m. at the library

February 8: *Les Voix*, a 12-voice women's choir, will perform an eclectic mix of classical and contemporary music. Snow date: March 15.

February 22: Harpist Julia Shrake will offer a talk about her harp and the history of harps and traditional Irish music. Ms. Shrake will also perform.

March 22: Canton High School Chamber Singers will offer a performance with musical accompaniment. Snow date: March 29

ART WORK

The library features monthly art displays. Our theme during December will be *Continued Explorations*, featuring the artwork of Canton residents Susan Bradley, Judy Cantwell, and Margaret Wilson. During January and February, our gallery will spotlight selections from the library's own permanent collection of art. Coming this spring: an exhibit focusing on the Farmington Canal in the Farmington Valley. This exhibit was inspired by, and is partly funded by, long-time Canton resident Arthur W. Sweeton III and aided by Farmington Canal researcher Dr. Carl Walters. If you have artwork or other collectibles that you would like to display on our walls, please call the library and speak with Jane Hoben (Fridays and Saturdays). If you have a collection you would like to spotlight in our display case, please call the library and speak with Nancy Donohue.

Local artist Art Chouinard visits the library once per month to paint his original artwork in the library and to discuss his work with library visitors. Art will be in the library on Thursday, December 18. For his appearances during the winter and spring months, please call the library.

*Leisure Vacations, Cruises, Groups,
Destination Weddings, Honeymoons*

Harmon Travel

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www.HarmonTravel.net

CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY

PROGRAMS FOR CHILDREN

Polar Express Pajama Storytime:

December 29, 6:30 p.m., for ages 3 and up.

Pumpnickel Puppets Presents The Frog Prince:

January 2, 11:00 a.m. - a puppet show for the whole family to enjoy together.

Drop-In Story Times:

Tuesdays in December and Fridays in January at 10:30 a.m. for children ages 2 to 6 with their parent/caregiver.

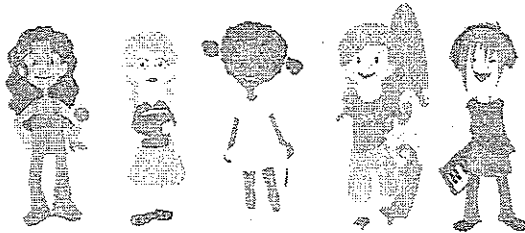
Story Time Registration for the Winter Semester:

Begins January 5 for Canton residents and January 12 for Canton residents and all others. Story times will begin on January 27th for an 8-week session. Our story time sessions fill up quickly, so sign up early!

February Vacation Week Programming:

Join us for an "India Adventure". We're celebrating the cultures, traditions, stories, and crafts of India with a jam-packed week of programs and events. Watch our website for the dates and times for movies, henna tattooing, a crafting program, a drop in storytime, and a special guest performer!

For more details on children's programs please visit our library website or call the Children's Room at 693-5800.



BOOK CLUBS

(New members are always welcome)

The **Saturday Book Conversations** group meets on the last Saturday of every month (except December) from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the library.

Upcoming titles and dates:

The Fifth Woman by Henning Mankell (January 31), *River of Doubt* by Candace Millard (February 28), and *Middlesex* by Jeffrey Eugenides (March 28). April 25: a discussion of everyone's favorite books.

The **Monday Book Discussions** group meets the second Monday of each month from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the library. **Upcoming titles and dates:**

Book Thief by Markus Zusak (January 12), *Thunderstruck* by Eric Larson (February 9), *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee (March 9), and *The Janus Gate* by Douglas Rees and *The Lady and the Painter* by Eleanor Palffy (April 13).

NEW! The library may sponsor a multi-part book discussion series focusing on voluntary simplicity principles and lifestyles. Participants would have to buy the book upon which the series focuses (approximately \$20.00) and commit to attend all sessions. The possible time frame: Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., beginning in early February. For more information, please call the library at 693-5800 and speak with Circulation Supervisor, Katie Bunn and also watch our website at www.CantonPublicLibrary.org.

HELPFUL HINTS

AARP TAX HELP

AARP-sponsored free tax counseling and IRS electronic tax filing are available every Wednesday at the Canton Community Center starting on February 4th and will continue through Wednesday, April 15th.

Appointments are required and are scheduled between 8 am and noon **only**. If a joint return, both people must be present. It is recommended you make an appointment early in case a second appointment is required. For additional information or to reserve a slot, call Mary Fletcher at the Senior Center 693-5811; space is limited.



SENIORS – SAVE MONEY ON YOUR CAR INSURANCE!

This AARP sponsored class is a useful brush-up on driving skills and laws; it also enables most seniors (55 and older) to obtain a discount on their car insurance bill. Discounts vary so check with your own company; sometimes the savings are substantial. The next class meets **Monday & Tuesday, March 23rd and 24th, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm**, in the Canton Community Center. You must attend **both** mornings to receive the certificate for your insurance company. The fee is **\$10.00**, payable by check, made out to AARP. Pre-registration is required by calling the Senior Center at 693-5811; space is limited.

WINTER / SPRING PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

Director:

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Program Supervisor:

Darrien L. Lynn
Dlynn@TownofCantonct.org

**Canton Parks and Recreation
 Canton Community Center
 40 Dyer Ave
 Canton, CT**

Phone: 693-5808

Fax: 693-5805

Hours: 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

**PARKS & RECREATION
 COMMISSION**

Chairperson: Christine Welcome

Vice Chairman: Open

Member: Beverly Hammond

Member: Andrea O'Neil

Member: Jocelyn Biondo

Member: Todd Jacobs

Please be advised that due to publishing deadlines, program listings/information may require that adjustments be made to programs, fees, schedules, etc. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience that this may cause.

REGISTER EARLY!

Nothing cancels a great class quicker than waiting until the last minute to register. If there are not enough registrations by a certain date, the course / trip / event may be cancelled. Coming in or calling on the day that the program is scheduled to start will not resurrect it, so please register early. We only accept cash and personal checks at this time. Checks should be made out to "Town of Canton."

Shear Madness! The Musical:

This one day bus trip to Boston will bring you into the city to do some exploring & shopping in Quincy Market / Fanueil Hall, have lunch and see a hilarious comedy musical. **Sunday, March 22nd, Boston, MA**
Fee: \$90.00 includes roundtrip coach bus ride & ticket to see the show.
Departure from Canton: 9:00 am
Return from Boston: 7:30 pm

Boston Science Museum on April Vacation!

For those of you that are planning on a "staycation" this School break, why not take the kids to Boston and visit the famed Science museum? Have you seen the awesome IMAX theater? The 3-D Space attraction show or the planetarium? Prepare to be amazed! **Wednesday, April 22nd**. We are sharing the bus with Simsbury, so **we only have 26 seats available for this trip!**
Fee: \$60 Adults and \$55 kids 3-11, includes round trip coach and ticket to the museum and 2 added attractions.
Departure from Simsbury HS: 7:00 am
Departure from museum: 4:00 pm



Bronx Zoo on April Vacation!

We are planning this trip, via coach bus to the nation's **largest urban** 265 wooded acres and 4,000 animals in naturalistic settings. Take a trolley tour, a monorail ride/tour, or maybe the aerial tram ride to give you a great view of the park. See the Butterfly garden or ride the bug carousel! This bus is also shared with Simsbury so **we only have 26 seats available. Friday, April 24th**. **Fee:** Adults \$62.00 and \$56.00 kids 2-11 includes round trip coach bus and all inclusive pass to Zoo!
Departure from Simsbury HS: 7:00 am
Depart Zoo: 4:15 pm

Foodie Tour of Manhattan!

Guided ride & walking tour through different neighborhoods of Manhattan. Taste your way through the city: Famous Delis, Chinatown, Little Italy, winding up at Zabar's Gourmet Food Emporium, so you can take some goodies home! If you love the idea of trying unique food, this is the trip for you.

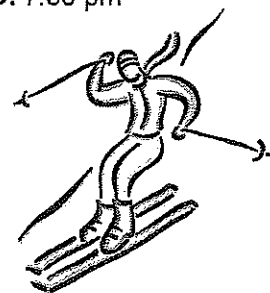
When: Saturday, May 2, 2008

Location: Manhattan, NY

Fee: \$70.00

Departure from Canton: 8:15 am

Return from NYC: 7:30 pm



"Canton Nights" at Ski Sundown

Canton residents can ski at a discounted rate. Participants must show proof of residency at time of ticket purchase. Kids may use library or school I.D. cards as proof of residency.

Saturdays: January 17th & January 24th

Adults: \$28.00 Lift only

Juniors: \$25.00 Lift only

First time skier package & Boarder package: \$50.00 (lift, lesson, rental)

Easter Egg Hunt

Come join the fun and meet the Easter Bunny at our 8th annual Easter Egg Hunt. Each egg is numbered and every child will receive a number and have to find the corresponding egg. All participants will receive a goodie bag.

When: Sat., April 4, 2009

Location: Mills Pond Park

Time: 10:00 am



WINTER / SPRING PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS - PRE-SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Music with Miss Jean (Ages 18 mos. – 6 yrs.):

Two different levels of music fun to choose from, depending on the age of your child. **Level 1:** A guitar lead sing-along class consisting of music and activities that will keep everybody moving! Have fun playing instruments, jumping to the rhythms and learning some musical games. **Level 2:** Get your child ready to play an instrument. Music theory will be incorporated into fun games and songs. Excellent class for afternoon kindergartners!

Instructor: Jean Mix

When: Session I, Wednesdays, January 14th – Feb 25th

No class Feb 18th (Feb. Vacation)

Session II-Wednesdays, March 4th – April 8th

Level 1-Walking-3 years with caregiver: 9:30 – 10:30 am

Fee: \$50.00 Minimum to run classes, 5 participants

Location: Canton Community Center

"Imagine" with Miss Jean" NEW! (Ages 2-4 yrs.)

Let your child's imagination fly with this fun filled theme class. This program uses music, books, movement and games to transport your child to a different place each week. Come join us as Miss Jean explores the world of shapes one week and numbers the next. Excellent school readiness class!

When: Session I, Wednesdays, January 14th – Feb 25th

No class Feb 18th (February Vacation)

Session II, Wednesdays, March 4th – April 8th

Walking- 3 years with caregiver: 10:30 – 11:30 am

Fee: \$50.00 Minimum to run classes, 5 participants

Location: Canton Community Center

Baby Gymnastics (Ages 18 mos.-3 yrs.):

Start your child on the exciting road of gymnastics with this parent and child interactive program. Parents will learn how to spot simple skills like rolls and cartwheels, while children learn basic gymnastics in a fun and safe environment. Classes will run continuously.

Instructor: Nancy Roy (formerly Wade)

When: Tuesdays, Jan 6th – March 3rd, no 2/17

Time: 8:30 – 9:15 am

Fee: \$50.00 **Min:** 10 **Max:** 10

Location: Canton Community Center

Music and Movement (Ages Birth- 4 yrs.)

This parent and child interactive music class consists of playful traditional folk songs and rhymes, circle games and movement activities that are easy to learn by child and parents.

Instructor: Luann Saunders

When: Tuesdays, March 3rd – April 7th (6 weeks)

Time: Ages Birth to 2 ½: 3:40-4:10 pm

Ages 31 months– 4 yrs: 4:15-5:00 pm

Fee: Birth to 30 mos.: \$50.00

31 mos. – 4 yrs: \$60.00

Location: Cherry Brook Primary School, Rm. 16

Pre-school Sports (Ages 3-4 yrs.)

Help your toddler to develop the skills needed for future sports. Children will learn the basics of kicking, dribbling, throwing, catching and hitting with different types of balls. Instruction will happen through fun games and music. Parents must remain with children.

Instructor: Alex Ockerbloom

When: Thursdays, January 8th – February 26th (8 weeks)

Time: 9:30am-10:15am

Fee: \$45.00 **Location:** Canton Community Center, **Min:** 8

Max: 15

Winter Swim Lessons (Ages 6 mos. Old +):

Swim lessons for all ages indoors at Healthtrax Indoor swimming pool. Red Cross Aquatic swim lesson program.

When: Begins January – TBA – dates were not yet available, please check our website for updates

Fee: \$90 per 8 wk session (weekdays)

\$63 per 5 wk session (Saturdays)

Location: Healthtrax, 100 Simsbury Rd, Avon

SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS CONTACT INFORMATION

Soccer:

Canton Youth Soccer Association

www.cantonsoccer.org

Basketball:

Canton Youth Basketball Association

Registrar: Kristin First, 693-8188

www.cantonhoops.org

Little League:

Baseball and Softball

President, Stan Krzanowski, 693-0365

www.eteamz.com/cantonctll

LaCrosse:

Canton Youth LaCrosse Association, Inc.

Registrar: Daphna Fuhr-Dylag, 693-6261

www.Cantonlax.org

Youth Football:

Canton Warrior Youth Football

Contact: Andrew Pidgeon, (860) 944-8833

<http://cantonyouthfootball.clubspaces.com>

WINTER / SPRING PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS – YOUTH PROGRAMS

Beginner Gymnastics (Ages 3-4 & 5-8 yrs)

Learn the basics of gymnastics in a safe and fun environment. Participants will work on basic tumbling, balance beam, and vault skills.

Instructor: Nancy Roy

When: Fridays, Jan 7th – March 4th, no Feb 18th

Times: 3:30 – 4:15 pm, 3-4 yr. old group

4:15 – 5:00 pm, 5-8 yr. old group

Fee: \$50.00 **Min:** 10 **Max:** 10

Location: Canton Community Center

Cheerleading (Ages 5-8, Ages 9+yrs.)

Join this very popular cheerleading class and cheer at all home HS Football & Basketball games! (depending upon season) Cheers, mounts, jumps and all that goes with it!

Instructor: Nancy Roy

When: Wednesdays, Jan 7th – March 4th
no Feb 18th

Time: 5:30 pm 5+, 6:15 pm 9+

Fee: \$50.00 **Min:** 10

Location: Canton Community Center



Wilton Cake Decorating (Ages 8+yrs.)

Learn the fundamentals of baking, frosting, and decorating cakes. Learn to make roses and other flowers, shell and bead borders, star tip characters and figure piping. In addition to the class fee, there is a supply cost of approx. \$25. At the first class, the instructor will go over what to purchase.

Instructor: Audra Weisel

When: January 8th – Feb 12th (6 classes)

Times: 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Fee: \$45.00 **Min:** 5

Location: Canton Community Center, lower level

"Little Wrestlers" (Grades 2-6)

This program is geared to help young people with basic wrestling techniques and to learn how their bodies work. This is a fun course for kids to learn about high school wrestling.

Instructor: Bill Phelps, CHS Varsity Wrestling Coach

When: Tuesdays & Thursdays: Jan 20, 22, 27, 29 & Feb 3, 5

Time: 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$45.00

Location: CHS Wrestling Room

Karate (Grades 1-6)

Learn the basic of Kempo Karate. Focuses will be on defense, control, and respect. Each participant will receive a karate uniform, please note participants height and weight on the registration form.

Instructor: Avon Kempo & Aikido Staff

When: Wednesdays, February 25th – April 8th (6 weeks)

Time: 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Fee: \$60.00 **Min:** 10

Location: Canton Community Center, Parks & Rec Room

Performing Arts (Ages 5-12 yrs.)

This program can really enhance a child's confidence! Some of the topics /activities include: Exciting theatre games, improvisational exercises, acting terminology, voice & speech, subtext, concentration exercise, stage skills and script work. At the end of the session, there will be an informal performance to demonstrate what our participants have been working on.

When: Mondays, Feb 23rd – April 6th

Time: Ages 9-12 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Ages 5-8 4:15 – 5:00 pm

Fee: \$103.00 **Min:** 10

Location: Canton Community Center



Figure Skating Lessons NEW!

(Mom/Tot & Youth/Adult beginner)

We are excited to announce that **Olympic champion skaters** Melissa Gregory & Denis Petuhov, recognized by the Professional Skating Association as "Best Performers" in 2007, represented the US in the 2006 Winter Olympics in Turino, Italy, have an impressive resume of 6 US National medals, International Event championships and top world rankings are offering 2 different classes to our residents. They welcome all ages & levels: from how to properly tie your skates and the fundamentals of skating, to your first spin and jump!

When: Mom & Tot Wednesdays, January 28th – March 11th
10:15a.m.-11:00a.m. (no 2/18)

When: Youth 5+ / Adult Sundays, February 1st – March 15th
Time to be determined (no 2/15)

Fee: \$168.00 for Mom & Tot together

\$118.00 per participant for Youth or adult skate lessons

Where: International Skating Rink, Simsbury, CT (Route 10)

February Vacation All-Pro Sports Camp

(Grades K-6)

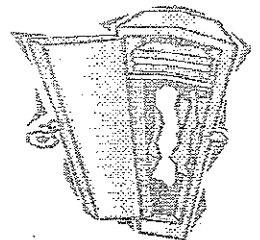
This fun ½ day camp is great for the kids to get off the couch and play while on school break. For Boys & Girls that want to play basketball, soccer, floor hockey, baseball, etc. Kids will learn new skills in an environment that stresses **fun** over competition. Come make new friends! T-shirts will be presented at the end of the program! Children will be grouped by age & ability. Kids should bring snack & water.

When: Tuesday – Friday, February 17th – 20th

Time: 8:30 am – 12:00 Noon

Fee: \$110.00

Location: CIS Gymnasium



WINTER / SPRING PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS – YOUTH PROGRAMS

April Vacation All-Pro Sports Camp (Grades K-6)

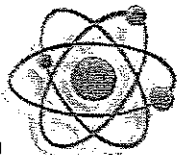
Same as the February camp, but April vacation dates.

When: Monday – Friday, April 20th – 24th

Time: 8:30 am – 12:00 Noon

Fee: \$135.00

Location: CIS Gymnasium



Mad Science – System 4 (Grades K-3)

This session will be broken down by topics that include:

Detective science: Discover how science is used to solve real crimes! The classroom will be transformed into a real crime lab! **Earthworks:** Take a voyage to the center of the Earth! Investigate the powerful process that shapes our planet and forms remarkable rocks and glittering gems! **Movie Effects:** Learn firsthand about special effects in the movies! **Walopping Weather:** Discover how tornadoes and storms form and how powerful they are. **Bugs, senses, machines** and more!

When: Mondays – February 23rd – April 6th

Fridays – February 27th – April 17th (no 4/10)

Time: 3:40 – 4:40 pm

Fee: \$107.00 per participant

Location: Cherry Brook Primary School

Spring T-Ball & Coach Pitch (Ages 4-7)

We will be forming teams prior to the start of the program. Registration deadline is **March 13th**. Please, **no exceptions**, as we will be forming manageable sized teams and will be ordering t-shirts in advance. **Parent volunteer coaches are appreciated and are needed**; we cannot run the program without you! Please call if you are interested in helping out or indicate this on the registration form.

When: (6) Saturdays, March 28 April 4, 11, May 2, 9 and 16

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 am for T-Ball

11:00 – 12:00 Noon for Coach Pitch

Fee: \$35.00

Location: Mills Pond Park

If you are interested in working as Coordinator for this particular program, please contact Parks & Rec for a job application. We are looking for a responsible High School Junior or Senior to apply.

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Youth Spanish Classes

Give your children a head start, by signing them up for Spanish lessons. Experts say that children that begin at an early age have a much easier time picking up a second language. Classes will be at Cherry Brook Primary School on Mondays. Age/grade appropriate materials will be provided to each student. (10 week course)

When: Mondays, January 26th – April 13th

Time: 3:40 – 4:40 pm

Fee: \$135.00

Location: CBPS

Saturday Morning Field Hockey

(Grades 6+)

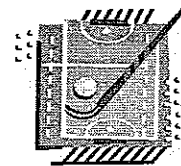
Mrs. Brisco is back to refresh your Field Hockey skills for the upcoming season. If you think you could use some "brush-up" on your skills, this is the program for you. Varying skill levels will be accommodated, so beginners are welcome. Shin guards needed, bring your own stick if you have one.

When: March 21st – May 8th (No 4/18, 4/25 – April vacation)

Time: 9:00 – 10:00 am

Fee: \$50.00

Location: Mills Pond Park, Field Hockey Field



Junior Tennis Lessons (Ages 5-14)

This program includes lessons for beginners and advanced beginners. Lessons will cover stroke development, footwork, and court strategies appropriate for each level.

Instructor: Canton Racquet Club Professionals

When: Mondays or Wednesdays

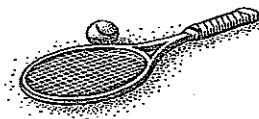
Dates: Week of January 5th – Feb 23rd (no 1/19, 2/16, 2/18)

Time: Ages 5-8: Mondays, 5:00 – 6:00 pm

Ages 9-14: Wednesdays, 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Fee: \$93.00

Location: Canton Racquet Club



Babysitting Classes (Ages 11+)

A comprehensive babysitting course that will cover: basic care, first aid, safety, safe play, leadership and professionalism. Successful completion results in Red Cross certification. If you are 11 years old, you are eligible to sign up for our very popular class.

When: Wednesday, February 25th; 3:00 – 6:45 pm

Thursday, February 26th; 3:00 – 7:15 pm

Fee: \$87.00 **Max:** 10 Students

Location: Canton Community Center, Parks & Rec Room

Ski Bus to Ski Sundown (Grades 4-12)

Registration is closed for this program. As a reminder, Ski bus dates are as follows:

Wednesdays: 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11

Thursdays: 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29, 2/7, 2/12

WINTER / SPRING PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS

New! AAA Drivers Education Course in Canton!

Beginning with basic skills in a classroom setting, then moving on to one-on-one driving lessons. The first night of class is for students **with parents**, so all of the new driver issues can be discussed, as there are so many new laws in effect. Brochures & Registration paperwork will be available at the Main office of CHS. The dates for class have been set:

Session I: January 26, 27, 29; Feb. 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 12, 23, 24, 26; March 2, 3, 5 and 9

Session II: April 27, 28, 30; May 4, 5, 7, 11, 12, 14, 18, 19, 21, 26, 28 and June 1

Times: 2:30 – 4:30 pm **Min:** 10 students to run class

Location: Classes will be held in **Room 226, CHS**

Cost: \$575.00 for AAA members & dependants under age 18
\$650.00 for non-members



SOMETHING FOR EVERY CHILD

Registration now going on for

- 3 year old Nursery School
- 4 year old Nursery School
- Pre-kindergarten Program
- Daycare 7:00 to 5:30



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ADULT PROGRAMS

Men's Under 35 & Over 35 Pickup Basketball

Play the game you love all Winter and Spring. No experience necessary, all levels of play welcome. The program will follow the school schedule for holidays, special events, and weather closures. Please call Parks & Recreation for dates/times and to register, 693-5808. (Under 35 Monday eves. and over 35 Tuesday eves.)

Recreational Volleyball

This Co-Ed recreational play night follows the indoor six on six rules of play. No experience necessary to play. The program will follow the school schedule for holidays, special events, and weather closures. To register call Parks & Rec at 693-5808. (Wed. & Thurs. eves.)

Tai Chi Gentle Movements

Tai Chi is a gentle, easy to learn exercise program and is gaining popularity within the medical community as a complementary program for balance, arthritis, stress, fibromyalgia, diabetes and back pain. Learn about the benefits, history and evolution. SUN style short form.

Instructor: Martin Kidder

When: Tuesdays, beginning March 10th

Times: Morning session 10:00 – 11:00 am

Evening sessions 5:30 – 6:30 pm, 6:45 – 7:45 pm

Fee: \$66.00 per session

Location: Canton Community Center

Every Body's Exercise Class with Mary Root!

Stretch, tone, and flex your way to a healthier you. Work on increasing flexibility, maintaining muscle tone, and improving balance. Participants move at their own level of ability for the best workout possible.

When: Tuesdays & Thursdays

Time: 10:30 – 11:30 am

Fee: \$30 each month, register at Parks & Recreation

Location: Canton Community Center

2008 MILLS POND POOL SURVEY

We would love to hear feedback from our pool members! Please let us know how you feel about our town pool, visit our website: click on Departments/ Parks & Recreation, to print out our POOL SURVEY FORM. Mail it to: P.O. Box 168, Collinsville, CT 06022. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and opinions.

HELP WANTED

Summer Camp & Pool Staff

You are probably not even thinking this far ahead, but we are! Canton Parks & Recreation would like to hear from interested candidates for available positions at Mills Pond Pool and Summer Camp for 2009. We are beginning our search for:

Summer Camp Director

Camp Counselors

Certified Lifeguards

Front Desk Attendants/ Cashiers

Pool house / Locker room Attendants

If you are a motivated, hard worker with a positive attitude and would like to be considered for any of the above positions, please apply at Canton Parks & Recreation, 40 Dyer Avenue, Canton. Think about how great it would be to have your Summer job all lined up!

WINTER / SPRING PARKS & RECREATION PROGRAMS - ADULT PROGRAMS

New! Voice Coaching!

Have you ever been told that you have a great voice? Today voiceovers are everywhere; from commercials to audio books, training materials, documentaries, animation, telephone systems and even the internet. This class will help introduce you to the business and opportunities in OUR area. Each student will have the opportunity to record a commercial script under the direction of our producer by the end of class. A great step for anyone interested in professional voice acting!

When: January 28th

Time: 6:30 - 9:00 pm

Fee: \$35.00 **Min:** 8

Location: Canton Community Center

Adult Yoga

Yoga is an amazing connection of body, mind and spirit, great for all ages & body types. Class includes: stretches, breathing techniques and relaxation. It will enhance your physical and mental well being, increase strength, reshape muscles and tone your entire body. It will energize you and improve your posture, balance, power and range of motion. It's great for people with back problems and for alleviating muscle soreness and joint inflammation. This class runs continuously throughout the calendar year on Wednesdays.

Instructor: Nancy Brooks, 658-4900

When: Session I: Jan 28th - March 18th

Session II: April 1st - May 27th, no 4/8

Time: 7:45 - 8:45 pm

Fee: \$75.00 **Min** 14 **Max** 30

Location: Canton Community Center,
Parks & Rec Room



Yogilates with MaryEllen

Focus on strengthening your power house: abs, lower back, and buttocks. Work on the muscles in the center of the body that maintain good posture and alignment, along with working on flexibility and strength. Develop correct form and movement to use throughout your life. This class runs continuously, for 8 classes each session.

Instructor: Mary Ellen Mullins

When: Thursdays, January 29th - March 26th, no 2/19

Time: 10:00 - 11:00 am

Fee: \$68.00 **Min.** 8 **Max** 15

Location: Canton Community Center

Body Sculpting

Tone & tighten your muscles while burning calories with resistance training. This Class uses free weights, dyna-bands and balancing discs. (8 week program)

Instructor: Nancy Roy (formerly Wade)

When: Mondays, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Dates: Session I- Dec 29th - March 2nd, no class 1/19, 2/16
Wednesday eves, 6:30 pm-7:30 pm,
Session II- Jan. 14th - March 4th

Fee: \$58.00 each class, \$48.00 each class if doing **both** classes or Body Sculpt & Cardio Kick below

Cardio Kickboxing Class

Talk about a fun workout! Work your arms, legs, stomach and have a great time while doing it. If you have not tried this workout, give it a try and you will be hooked!

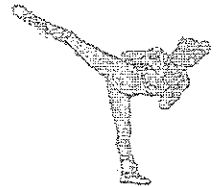
Instructor: Nancy Roy

When: Fridays, 10:00 - 11:00 am

Dates: January 9th - Feb 27th

Fee: \$58.00

Location: Canton Community Ctr.



Jukido Jujitsu

Participants learn techniques to counter aggression, fight prevention, and bully management. The student safely learns rollouts, throws, takedowns, and techniques, including evasion, wrist grabs, and joint manipulations. Emphasize self defense through hard work, self discipline, and self-esteem. Classes will accommodate all skill levels. No contracts, no hidden fees, no uniform requirements. Note: After the student's first successful test, there is an annual International Kokondo Association membership fee.

Instructor: Mark Goldfarb

When: Thursdays, Please call for dates

Time: 6:30 - 7:45 pm

Fee: \$58.00 **Min:** 4 **Max:** 30

Location: Canton Community Center

Women's Fitness

Classes consist of warm-up exercises, low to medium impact aerobics, floor exercises and cool down. Participants should wear comfortable clothing and sneakers. Bring a mat and small hand weights if you have them and a water bottle.

Instructor: Darryl Habern

When: **Session I:** Mon. & Thurs., Jan 5th - 22nd

Fee: \$ 30.00 (6 classes)

Session II: February 2nd- March 26th no 2/16, 2/19

Fee: \$55.00 (14 classes)

Time: 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Location: Canton Community Center

CANTON PARKS AND RECREATION WANTS YOU!

If you have a program idea or would be willing to run a program, please call us.

REGISTRATION:

- 1 No telephone registrations will be accepted.
- 2 Deadline for registration is one week prior to the beginning of a class.
- 3 If the original class offered should be filled, a wait list will be started. Additional sessions will be started if interest is shown and if space and instructors are available.
- 4 Registrations are first-come, first-serve basis.
- 5 Persons are not considered registered until their fee has been paid.

REFUND POLICY: Refunds will be issued if:

- 1 A class if filled.
- 2 A class is cancelled by the department due to insufficient enrollment.
- 3 It is requested by the participant at least one week prior to the first class/ program/ trip (Less \$5.00 Administration Fee).
- 4 NO REFUND WILL BE ISSUED AFTER A CLASS HAS BEGUN.
- 5 Refunds may take 3-4 weeks to be processed.

CANCELLATION:

- 1 The Canton Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to cancel any class or activity due to insufficient enrollment.
- 2 Any activity held at any Canton School will follow school cancellation and holidays.
- 3 Cancellations are posted on WFSB channel 3, WTNH channel 8, and Radio WTIC 1080 am, 96.5 fm.

NON-RESIDENT POLICY:

- 1 Canton residents are given priority placement in all scheduled events. Out-of-town residents are welcome if space is available.
- 2 An additional \$10.00 fee will be charged for non-resident.

SPECIAL NEEDS PARTICIPANT:

Many of our programs may be adaptable to individuals with special needs. If you have an interest in a specific program or class, please call the Parks and Recreation Department as to the suitability of the program and the ability to adapt it to the individual

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION: Make checks payable to "Town of Canton" and mail to:

Canton Parks and Recreation, P.O. Box 168, Collinsville, CT 06022-0168

For Questions Regarding Registration Call: (860) 693-5808

MAIL-IN REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Home Phone: _____
 Address: _____ Work Phone: _____
 _____ Zip: _____ Cell Phone: _____
 Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Participant's Name	Age	DOB	Sex	Grade	Activity Name	Session/Time	Fee
1 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
2 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
3 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
4 _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
						Total	_____

Do any of the above-listed participants have any allergies? Yes / No Please specify: _____

Do any of the above-listed participants have any special needs? Yes / No _____

Registrant, Parent or Guardian

In consideration of your accepting this entry, I hereby for my self, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any rights and claims for damages I may have against the agency providing the activities listed above an its representatives successor and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by myself or my child at any activity sponsored by these groups.

Registrant/ Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

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SENIOR SERVICES NEWS

ARE YOU A CANTON SENIOR OR DO YOU KNOW ONE?

The Senior Services Department sends out two newsletters to Canton Seniors. The first is the *Canton Senior Scribe* which is mailed out approximately four times a year. This newsletter is an invaluable reference for learning about the many programs, activities and services which the Town offers to support its seniors--including transportation help, fuel assistance aid, recreational programs from cards to cardio exercise, and many classes and trips. If you do not currently receive this handy newsletter, please call 693-5811 and we will add you to our mailing list.

In addition, a second email newsletter, the **eScribe**, is sent out several times a month to alert you to new programs and offerings, many of them free, which we learn about between editions of the mailed *Senior Scribe*. To receive your copy, send an email to mfletcher@TownofCantonct.org.

Do you know a senior or have a friend, neighbor or family member who is a senior that might not be receiving these valuable publications? If so, it is a generous gift you can give and will only cost you a few minutes of your time.

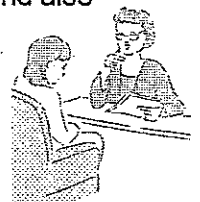
CHOICES Medicare Part D and Supplemental Health Insurance Counseling

"CHOICES" is a free insurance counseling program sponsored by the North Central Area Agency on Aging. One source estimates premiums will rise by 12% in 2009. Last year there were 53 plans available in Connecticut alone!

Is now a good time to review your plan and consider others during the fall open enrollment period? Do you need help trying to understand Medicare Part D? Are you confused by supplemental insurance policies to Medicare?

Trained volunteer Paula Corrao will help you sort out all the appropriate information. Appointments are required and are available in December (when the open enrollment period closes) and also starting the first of the year.

Call Mary Fletcher at the Senior Center (693-5811) to schedule a private appointment.



Appointments still available