



NEWS and REVIEWS
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PREZ SAYS:

2013 has been a year of growth and new ideas for Stay at Home in Wilton. We have brought on Debbie McClelland as a membership growth consultant. She is coming up with new ideas such as the membership gift card for children of seniors to start their parents off in our group. She has helped us get several new members already. Remember, you

can get a free quarter of membership for each new member you are first to suggest that does join. One of our members has suggested four new members, so she has gotten a full year of membership.

Throughout the year, our dedicated volunteers have helped many of you with transportation and home repairs. To thank them in person, please plan on coming to the Christmas party where many of our volunteers will be joining us. That evening of Friday, December 13 at 6:30 at the Wilton Congregational Church, the festivities will again include entertainment by the Wilton Treblemakers, which includes two of our members, Karen Pingarron and Anne Richards. Be sure to call Janet to let her know you will be coming.

We are always looking for suggestions for social activities: restaurants to visit, exhibitions to see, all types of entertainment, informational programs, etc. Just call Janet at 203-762-9303 with your ideas.

I hope the coming year will be enjoyable for you and your family.

Merry Christmas

Phil Richards

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Happenings... Calendar of Events for Members and their friends November 2013

Wilton Y Free Swim
**Fridays: December 6th, 13th,
20th, and 27th - 1:30 - 3:00 p.m.**

This program is **FREE** to anyone age 55 or over. Lap lanes and water exercise areas are available. No instruction, but a certified lifeguard is on duty.

Wilton Family YMCA
404 Danbury Road
203-762-8384

Racing Today's Super Yachts on Wednesday, December 4th at 1p.m.

Come and hear local sailor Jay Kiley tell how the super-rich enjoy themselves and what it takes to win a Super Yacht Race. Hear about the boats, the exotic locations, the money, the rewards, and the dangers. Jay has raced in over 100 races all over the world.

Wilton Senior Center
Comstock Community Center
180 School Road
203-834-6240

Holiday Luncheon Friday, December 6th noon – 1:30 p.m.

Holiday Luncheon sponsored by Wilton Parks and Recreation. Reservations required. Cost: \$5
Comstock Community Center
180 School Road
203-834-6234



Wilton Holiday Stroll Friday, December 6th 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

First Selectman Bill Brennan and Santa will be arriving at the Wilton Center to light the holiday tree. The Wilton High School Band will also be joining us to play their favorite Holiday tunes! Visit the many merchants around our town! They will have holiday treats and

beverages available. For more information call the Wilton Chamber.
Wilton Center Gazebo
203-762-0567



**Ridgefield Symphony Presents
A Very Holiday Pops Concert
Saturday, December 7th at 8pm**

Tickets: \$20 seniors
**Anne S. Richardson Auditorium
Ridgefield High School
700 N Salem Rd.
Ridgefield, CT
203-438-3889**

**Men's Breakfast
Tuesday, December 10th**

It is held at Orem's Diner at **9:00 a.m.**
All men are invited to attend and you can "Bring a friend!"
**Orem's Diner
167 Danbury Rd.
203-762-9303**

**Learn to Play Mah Jongg
Chinese style
December 10th at 2pm
December 24th at 12:30pm**

There are several Mah Jongg Groups that meet at the Senior Center. The Tuesday group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month: The Mah Jongg class is open to all who want to learn this challenging game. It really is great fun! If you would like to play call **Kay Chann at 203-762-9026.**
**Wilton Senior Center
180 School Rd.**



**Cooking Class and Holiday
Cookie Decorating at the Senior
Center - Tuesday, December
11th from 11:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.**

Chef Ed Raposa will teach a class on Italian cuisine. Following Chef Ed's demonstration, Bonnie Leavy-Mello, Marketing Director for Laurel Ridge Health Care Center of Ridgefield, will host the Cookie Decorating segment of the day's luncheon. The cookies, decorative toppings, and icing are compliments of Laurel Ridge. Join us while we listen to holiday music, enjoy lunch, and decorate cookies. Just bring your creativity! Reservations required:
**Wilton Senior Center
180 School Rd.
203-834-6240**

**Ogden House Monthly Lunch
Wednesday, December 11th at
12pm**

A delicious lunch will be served followed by entertainment by the TrebleMakers. Cost: \$3 Reservations are need by the Friday before. Please contact Liz Doty.
**Ogden House
100 River Road
203-834-6240**

Holiday Party!

**You're Invited to the...
Stay at Home Holiday Party
Friday, December 13th, 6:30 p.m.**

Join us for our annual Holiday Party at the Wilton Congregational Church with a buffet dinner and entertainment by Wilton's TrebleMakers. Please R.S.V.P. by Friday, December 6th to Janet.
**Wilton Congregational Church
70 Ridgefield Rd.
203-762-9303**



The Arts at St. Matthew's 2013–14 Season presents Brass, a Yale-based quintet, Sunday, December 15th at 4p.m.

From childhood favorites to the songs that we grow old with, Brass' Christmas music transports us to other times and places. The beautiful sanctuary of St. Matthew's Episcopal Church in Wilton joins with the warm, rich sounds of brass instruments to give these holiday reminiscences new life. Tickets: \$20

**The Arts at St. Matthew's
St. Matthews Episcopal Church
36 New Canaan Rd.
203-762-7400**

**Wilton Firefighters Serve
Holiday Dinner, Wednesday,
December 18th at noon**

A turkey dinner with all the trimmings will be served at the Wednesday Luncheon on the Ogden House. Volunteers from Our Lady of Fatima Church will prepare the meal, compliments of the fire fighters. The event is sponsored by the Wilton Firefighters. Entertainment by the Middlebrook Singers will follow. For reservations contact Liz Doty.

**Ogden House
100 River Road
203-834-6240**



**Ladies Holiday Outing
Tuesday, December 17th 10 a.m.**

Ladies will enjoy a tour of Terrain's Holiday Decorations, a demonstration, and lunch. Meet at the Commuter Parking Lot at 10 a.m. Cost: \$25

**Terrain Garden Cafe
561 Post Road East
Westport, CT
203-762-9303**



Easy Fruit Pizza

This is the recipe from the Veteran's Day event. I baked the sugar cookie dough in a rectangular baking pan and decorated with strawberries and blueberries to make the shape of a flag.
-Debbie McClelland

Ingredients:

1. 1 pkg. (16.5 oz.) Refrigerated sliceable sugar cookies,
2. 1pkg. (8 oz.) Cream Cheese, softened
3. ¼ cup sugar
4. ½ tsp. vanilla
5. 4 cups assorted fresh fruit (kiwi, strawberry slices, blueberries, red and black raspberries, etc.)

Directions: Heat oven to 375°F.

LINE 12-inch pizza pan or cookie sheet with foil; spray with cooking spray. Roll out cookie dough in single layer to fit pan; press together to completely cover bottom of pan. Bake 10 - 14 min. or until light brown; cool completely.

INVERT onto plate; carefully remove foil. Turn crust over; place on plate.

BEAT cream cheese, sugar and vanilla with mixer until blended; spread onto crust. Top with fruit.

Enjoy!

Stay at Home in Wilton Gift Cards - A Wonderful Holiday Gift

A Stay at Home in Wilton Gift Card is a gift that is opened every day of the year. Stay at Home provides transportation, light household services, social activities, educational opportunities, but also membership in the Stay at Home Community a network of caring volunteers and friends.

If you are interested in purchasing a Stay at Home in Wilton Gift Card for the holidays contact Debbie McClelland at [203-778-1081](tel:203-778-1081) or deb@shwil.org, or call Janet Johnson at [203-762-9303](tel:203-762-9303).