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It's June and Isn't it Nice

May had so much to do that I wondered how everyone faired. The weather was good for most all the events. It is hoped that several members got to hear Dick King speak at the Board of Selectman meeting about Stay at Home in Wilton and the needs we have, what we have accomplished and how can the town help us. You might have had the opportunity to hear and see it on TV. Town meetings are held in Town Hall, however, the media is present and most of the news generated at these meetings are presented either in the newspaper, Wilton Bulletin, or can be seen on TV Channels 78 and 79. Several members participated in the Memorial Day Parade and marched or rode

in two antique vehicles. It was a glorious day but very windy.

The following Wednesday, many enjoyed ice cream with all the toppings you can imagine at the Senior Center at Comstock Community Center. We talked about things that we remember about the wars and marching in previous parades. It was brought up at one point about what the origins of Decoration Day were and why it is now called Memorial Day. Janet did a little research and found that,-

“The last Monday in May is the day when the United States celebrates Memorial Day. This holiday was originally called Decoration Day due to the practice of decorating graves of soldiers. It is a day of remembrance for those who have died serving America.

President Lyndon Johnson officially declared Waterloo, New York, the birthplace of Memorial Day in May 1966. However, the origins of the day are not quite so clear.

On May 5, 1868 General John Logan, national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, officially declared Memorial Day. It was first observed later that month on May 30th when the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers were decorated at Arlington National Cemetery.”

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Memorial Day Parade 2013

Ann Newton, Marianne Krum, Luisa Kelso, Anne Richards

Happenings Calendar of events for members and their friends to attend in JUNE 2013

Learn to Play Mah Jongg Chinese style

Mah Jongg Class at the Senior Center at Comstock Community Center will be on **Tuesday, June 11 at 2:00 and Tuesday, 25 at 12:30.** The Mah Jongg class is open to all who want to learn this challenging game. It really is great fun!

Men's Breakfast is on Tuesday, June 11

It is held at Orem's beginning at 9:00 am. All men are invited to attend and you can "Bring a friend!" to Orem's Diner.

A NEW TRIP!!!

Travel to Elizabeth Parks Rose Garden in West Hartford on Thursday, **June 13.** We will meet at the Commuter Lot at 9:30 am and carpool from there. After our tour of the Rose Garden we'll enjoy lunch together at the Pond House Café. If you need a ride to the commuter lot, please call Janet. Phone number is on your membership card.



Memorial Day Parade 2013

**Vintage Cars
1982 Light Green Packard
followed by a 1928 Ford Pickup
Truck**

Fridays, Free Swim at the YMCA

June 14, 21, and 28
from 1:30 til 3:00

Wilton Commons Grand Opening

All are welcome to attend the opening on Saturday, **June 15** with a dedication and ribbon cutting at 3:00 pm and tours following the opening. If you need a ride, call Janet.

Picnic Lunch at Sherwood Island State Park

.On Wednesday, **June 19** there will be a picnic lunch at Sherwood Island near the 911 Memorial. There is no charge for this outing to Westport. We will meet at the Commuter Lot at 10:30. Call Janet for a ride to the Lot.

Stay at Home in Wilton Medic Alert Systems

On Tuesday, **June 25** we will have our regular meeting at Comstock Community Center at 3:00 and it will be over by 5:00. We will learn all about different types of Medic Alert Systems, how they work and what you should expect of them. Both Dick

King and Phil Richards have been doing a lot of research to find the best systems for you to choose from. Also they will tell how the RUOK works in conjunction with the Wilton Police. This is when an automated phone call is received by the "U" (you) part every morning to check on you to make sure you are OK and if you answer that's what they want to know. Phil will explain more about this and he might talk about the Urgent Notification Service offered by Kiwanis and the Town of Wilton. Refreshments will be served.

THE WILTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



Monday, June 17th, 2013 • 5:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Trackside Teen Center of Wilton · 15 Station Road, Wilton, CT 06897

Tickets on Sale Now in Wilton!

The Wilton Chamber of Commerce will present the 6th annual "A Taste of Wilton" on Monday, June 17th, at Trackage Teen Center from 5:30-8:30 PM.

**From Corridors
Town of Wilton offerings for
seniors of all ages**
Monday Movies at the Senior Center
They begin at 12:00 noon

On Monday, **June 10th** the movie is *Tom Jones*, on the **17** it's *Invanhoe*, on **22** it's, *Jane Eyre*.

And there is popcorn too!!!

Lunches at Ogden House

There are no lunches served at Ogden House during July and August on Wednesdays or any other day.

Luncheons will start again in the fall but there will only be one luncheon a month.

PREZ SAYS:

We are moving into the summer season with lots of opportunities to get up and do things. We are going to have a Pot Luck picnic, go to several events at the Levitt Pavilion in Westport, and maybe even host a band concert (still in the working stages). Even this month there are several exciting things to do such as a trip to a West Hartford rose garden and lunch.

Now is also the time to look around your house and see if you have some little things that need fixing. In addition to our list of contractors for big jobs, we have several really skilled volunteers that can take on many of the smaller tasks - remember that is why we are here, to help you remain in your own home. Just give Janet a call.

Recently we added a new person to our support team. Debbie McClelland will be focusing on generating interest among potential new members. Remember, you can also help out by recommending a friend. When they join, you will get a three-month extension in your renewal date. Send your suggestions to Debbie at deb@shwil.org

Phil Richards, President

Things I need to talk to Janet about.

1. Men's Breakfast on June 11 at Orem's Diner.
2. Rides to various places.
3. R.S.V.P. for the trips in various locations.

Introducing a new member of our team Debbie McClelland

We are so pleased to announce that Debbie McClelland has joined Stay at Home in Wilton as a Membership and Community Relations Consultant this April. She has worked in the community for over 10 years as a marketing manager and brings with her established businesses connections that can help enhance our community at Stay at Home. Debbie has joined Janet on some of the April and May outings so many of you may have met her at Danbury Railway Museum, Bartlett Arboretum or the Memorial Day Parade. She is looking forward to meeting all of our members. Debbie has lived in Ridgefield CT for 12 years.

Ambler Farm Stand Open for Season

Saturday, June 8, 2013, 9:00 AM
257 Hurlbutt Street, Wilton



Join us for the opening of our 2013 seasonal farm stand. Organic, freshly harvested produce and flowers EVERY Saturday from June through mid-October. We also have our fantastic Ambler Farm maple syrup and

gear (hats, fleeces, tote bags). Proceeds support the ongoing operations and maintenance of Ambler Farm. Stop by and visit the chickens, rabbits, goats, and sheep!

Wilton Library is looking for Wilton artists

Wilton artists are invited to bring their best works to Wilton Library's Summer Show, with a Call for Entries on Saturday, June 29 and Monday, July 1. The opening reception is July 12 at 6 pm. The show runs through Aug. 30.



An art enthusiast visits a previous Summer Show at Wilton Library. This year's Call for Entries is June 29 & July 1.

It may have been a rainy spring, but nothing dampens the spirit of Wilton artists who are eager to show their "stuff" at Wilton Library's 69th Annual Summer Show Art Exhibition that opens with a reception on Friday, July 12 at 6 p.m. Before the unveiling of this perennial showcase, a Call for Entries takes place for all adult artists who live in Wilton on Saturday, June 29 and Monday, July 1, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days. Each artist may submit a total of two works in the categories of paintings, drawings, pastels or sculptures. The two pieces must be framed and wired, ready for

hanging. Additional information and downloadable forms may be found on the library's website beginning June 4 at www.wiltonlibrary.org and clicking on the "Call for Entries" item about the exhibition. Printed forms also are available at the circulation desk in the library.

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