



# THE MANSFIELD MINUTE

JUNE 2012

- Sign up for *Summer Reading Fun at the Library*.
- Look for your tax bills by the end of the month.
- Rent a kayak at the Community Center.
- Get your fishing licenses at the Town Clerk's office.



## TIME TO LICENSE THE DOG

Licenses must be renewed during June.  
A Rabies Certificate is required.  
Neutering or Spaying Certificates must be presented if applicable.

## ALL ABOARD FOR THE TOUR DE MANSFIELD



Come have fun at the annual Tour de Mansfield: Village to Village Bike Tour.

Enjoy a ride through our beautiful town—green hillsides, flowing streams, historical sites.

The 20-mile and 40-mile rides pass through scenic areas of town, while the 5-mile Family Fun Ride loops around and through the campus of the University of Connecticut. Rides begin and end at the Community Center.

Register online at [mansfieldcc.com](http://mansfieldcc.com).

Pre-register until June 22nd.

Residents \$15, Non-Residents \$20 per rider.  
(Additional \$5 fee on June 23rd)

**CHILDREN RIDE FREE.**

This event is brought to you by the Mansfield Downtown Partnership, Mansfield Community Center, and the Town of Mansfield.

## CAN I RECYCLE A PIZZA BOX?

Yes! Flatten and turn the pizza box inside out so the recycler can see that it is cardboard free of cheese, pizza slices and oil.



## CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:

### MAKING A SUBSTANTIAL INVESTMENT

The Town uses its capital improvement program (CIP) to maintain roads and other infrastructure, and to buy new trucks and other large equipment costing \$5000 or more. Our capital needs average \$1.5—\$2 million per year.

With the new budget year, we are taking advantage of some modest new tax revenue and declining education expenditures in order to make a larger general fund investment of \$1,014,210 in our CIP. This investment from the general fund, combined with other revenue sources, will allow the Town to begin to finance all regular, recurring capital projects and initiatives on a *pay-as-you-go* or cash basis, creating a more stable funding source for the CIP and enabling the Town to replace equipment and infrastructure on a timelier basis, avoiding more costly repairs and maintenance expenditures. The Town would still need to issue debt for major initiatives such as school construction and large public works projects. This pay-as-you-go financing model will minimize the amount of debt we need to issue and will potentially improve our bond rating, creating long-term savings for everyone.

## DEREK DEBUS IS RECOGNIZED...

Mansfield's own Derek Debus has been selected as the **2012 Housing Code Inspector of the Year** by the Connecticut Association of Housing Code Enforcement Officials (CAHCEO). The award is presented yearly to a worthy active member of CAHCEO engaged in code enforcement inspections and exhibits high character and professionalism while protecting the public's health, safety and welfare. Michael Ninteanu, Director of Building and Housing Inspection, will present the award at the Annual Meeting on June 22.



# MANSFIELD HAPPENINGS



## Summer 2012

**June 10— 12-3 PM FREE MANSFIELD DAY AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**



Have you been wondering what all the excitement is about at the Mansfield Community Center? Well, if you're a Mansfield resident you can find out for FREE. Proof of residency may be required.

**June 20—11:15 AM MANSFIELD SENIOR CENTER 37TH ANNUAL BANQUET**



Enjoy appetizers, turkey dinner and entertainment by the MSC Chorus. Sign up no later June 13, \$10 fee.

**June 22— 5:30-7:30 PM DREAM BIG! FAMILY PAJAMA PARTY AT THE LIBRARY**



Have you always wanted to wear your PJs to the Library and hang out after closing time? Now's your chance! We'll enjoy a variety of after-hours crafts and activities, ending with a cozy story and a snack. No registration required.

**June 23— 9 AM TOUR DE MANSFIELD AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**



40-Mile Expert Ride—Starts 8:00 AM  
20-Mile Challenge Ride—Starts 9:30 AM  
5-Mile Family Fun Ride—Starts 10:00 AM

**June 24—10 AM Bus Trip: BOSTON RED SOX vs ATLANTA BRAVES AT FENWAY**



Game time is 1:35 PM. Fee is \$85, which includes the bus and ticket to the game. Sponsored by Parks & Recreation. Online registration at [mansfieldcc.com](http://mansfieldcc.com) or fill out a paper form at the Community Center.

**June 26— 7 PM FAMILY MAGIC SHOW AT THE LIBRARY**



David Allan & Bogus the Clown will provide plenty of magic and lots of laughs! Stick around after the 35 minute show for a balloon animal give-away! No registration required.

**June 27—12:45 PM HEART HEALTHY SUMMER RECIPES AT THE SENIOR CENTER**



Lynn McPhee from Windham Hospital will present Heart Healthy Summer Recipes. Discover delicious new recipes and enjoy a healthy summer!



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