

A newsletter about what's happening in your Town of Mansfield

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Greetings Fellow Residents!

It seems like just yesterday that I was taking part in the Memorial Day parade and we are now more than halfway through the summer. As everyone knows, our region has experienced quite a few days north of 90 degrees in recent weeks, and August is likely to bring more heat! I hope everyone is able to continue enjoying the many outdoor recreational opportunities that Mansfield has to offer, but,

please also be safe, stay hydrated and find ways to stay cool and comfortable!

Road Improvements. Our Department of Public Works and Town-hired contractors have been active around Town tackling road and surface improvement projects. We resurfaced Anton Road, Westgate Lane, Baxter Road (north of Route 195), Rockridge Road, North Eagleville Road (between Hunting Lodge Road and Southwood Road), Southwood, Road, Russett Lane, Homestead Drive, Chatham Drive, Derek Drive, and Pine Ridge Drive. Deerfield Lane and Hunters Run were milled and will be paved in the very near future. DPW replaced basin tops on Homestead Drive, Chatham Drive, Derek Drive, Pine Ridge Road and Deerfield Lane in preparation for resurfacing. The tree crew continues to remove dead and dangerous trees. You can read more about its work on page 10.

Neighborhood Stabilization Plan. The Town will kick off a Stabilization Plan for neighborhoods north and west of UConn this fall. The plan will be paid for using the Town's American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding allocation. Neighborhoods located north and west of the University of Connecticut main campus of Mansfield have experienced a significant conversion of owner-occupied single-family housing to rental housing primarily marketed to students. While these conditions exist in many Mansfield neighborhoods, there are additional factors that set this area apart and drive the need for a comprehensive neighborhood plan, including:

The impending closure of Goodwin Elementary School in the fall of 2022. This school has been an anchor for these neighborhoods and a hub for community activities, serving neighborhood families for generations.

The availability of water and sewer infrastructure. This area is unique in that it has access to both water and sewer infrastructure. The availability of infrastructure combined with walking distance proximity to the UConn campus and the existence of large undeveloped and underdeveloped parcels has made it ripe for redevelopment.

While the plan will be specific to the neighborhoods north and west of UConn, it is our hope that this plan will serve as a blueprint for future neighborhood planning efforts in other areas of town. With the proximity to the Four Corners and the core of the federally designated Opportunity Zone, this neighborhood's plan is an important start.

Through the planning process, the Town will engage the community to build consensus around the future of these neighborhoods, and a citizen working group will be asked to provide input. The final goals of the plan will be determined by community input, some of the anticipated objectives include identifying and prioritizing neighborhood improvements, such as water and sewer infrastructure, pedestrian, bicycle, and roadway improvements, and affordable housing as well as regulatory tools and design standards to assist in neighborhood stability. Understanding community priorities will allow the Town to be ready when grants are available to fund such improvements.

Progress on Pickleball Courts Project. We are excited to share that a longtime resident and local business owner recently approached the Town about helping to fund the construction of a high-quality pickleball facility (six courts in all) on Town

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property. Pickleball is fast-growing in popularity and there is intense interest among local residents for the installation of such facilities within the Town of Mansfield. To play pickleball, players use solid paddles to hit a perforated ball, similar to a Wiffle ball, over a net on a small court. Public demand for pickleball facilities has also been well-documented by Mansfield Parks & Recreation in recent years. Although multiple town-owned parcels were explored, constructing the proposed facility in close proximity to the Mansfield Community Center has been deemed the best option. By siting the courts in the Downtown Storrs area, they will be convenient for residents to access on foot, by bicycle, or by car. Town officials look forward to continue collaborating with the private donor on this exciting endeavor to finalize the design in the coming weeks with the goal of beginning to prep the site for construction of the new facility before winter.

Mansfield Local Government Academy Starts September 15. Another exciting update is that we have finalized the schedule for the next installment of the Mansfield Local Government Academy (see additional program information on page 11). The program was launched this past year with great success. The first session kicks off a little earlier in the

year to allow for the entire program to be completed prior to the end of the calendar year. We have also added a session relative to the public schools and established separate sessions for Fire/EMS and Police based on the constructive feedback we received from participants in last



year’s academy. This truly is a great opportunity for residents to learn the “in’s and out’s” of Mansfield local government and all about the many programs and services being provided in our community. We are looking forward to our second year of the program, which will be even better than last year’s inaugural edition!

Relief Funding for Businesses. Earlier this summer, the Town of Mansfield launched the “Local Business Relief Fund” Program to provide financial assistance to eligible Mansfield businesses that have been adversely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is funded through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and administered by the Town of Mansfield in collaboration with the Mansfield Downtown Partnership. It is intended to help businesses and the Mansfield business community become stronger and prosper. We recently completed our review of applications submitted by local businesses and notifications of

funding decisions are presently being made. Consideration is being given to a administering a second round of grants, so we hope that local businesses will stay tuned for any related announcements.



Mansfield Elementary School Project Progressing. I am happy to report that there continues to be much forward progress with respect to the construction of the new Mansfield Elementary School. At present, the focus is on four key areas critical to the opening of the school: the abatement and demolition of the former Southeast Elementary, site work including the parking lots and the infrastructure beneath those areas, the exterior building envelope, and the interior build-out of the new school.

Abatement continues at the existing Southeast building, with the bulk of the work complete at the 1965 wing and interior abatement progressing at the remaining portion of the building. Demolition of the entire Southeast Elementary building is anticipated in the coming weeks. Concurrently, site work has begun for underground utilities and storm water infrastructure at areas of the site that are not beneath the existing school building. That work will continue for the next few months as the building is demolished and other portions of the site are completed.

At the exterior of the building, the installation of windows and wood siding continues as the building gets closer to being completely enclosed. At the interior of the building, drywall, taping, floor and wall tiling, millwork (cabinetry), and painting continue to be installed. A key element watched by the project team has been the weather, as hot conditions and humidity can have an impact on the types of work that can be installed (for example, installation of wood products when conditions are hot and humid).

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To assist with controlling interior climate impacts, Newfield Construction has provided portable dehumidifiers and air conditioners while the permanent building conditioning systems are installed and brought online over the upcoming months. Consistent with prior updates, a key upcoming milestone includes the completion of individual classrooms and offices within the building in August in order to receive furniture in September. The project completion timeline continues to be refined, but school district leaders continue to target a late-fall opening date.

Municipal Facilities Needs Assessment. Speaking of Town buildings, I wanted to take a brief moment to share that local officials have been actively working with design and engineering professionals on a comprehensive municipal facilities needs assessment and programmatic use study for the better part of a year. Broadly speaking, the intent of this study is to determine the viability of existing municipal facilities to meet both current and anticipated future needs of our residents. Over the course of this project, a number of design alternatives have been explored and a few specific options have emerged as being particularly compelling. These concepts are being refined as appropriate and it is our intent to present preliminary recommendations to the Town Council later this month. Feedback from the Council will shape the subsequent actions that Town staff take with regard to planning for and initiating the next phase of the work, which would include preparation of detailed schematic designs and more precise cost estimates. I want to underscore that community engagement and ensuring there are opportunities for the general public to provide feedback will be a key component of the next phase of this process. It should also be noted that Town officials are actively exploring federal and state grant programs that may be able to offset a significant portion of the design and construction costs associated with various aspects of the municipal facility upgrades being considered.



Celebrate Mansfield Festival September 24. One of the most exciting days of the year is our Celebrate Mansfield Festival, and the organizing committee has been active in planning another fun-filled day of celebration and community. If your business or social organization is interested in hosting a table to have a presence at this event, please be sure to register with the committee by Friday, August 5. You can learn more about this year’s Festival on page 8.

Finally, if you have friends or family who may be interested in receiving this electronic newsletter, but may not yet be subscribed, please forward a copy of this newsletter to them. And, remember, subscribing to receive the newsletter, and other updates from your town, is easy to do. (See box to the right.)

Please do not hesitate to contact the Town Manager’s Office, 860.429.3336 or townmanager@mansfieldct.org, if you have constructive feedback on how the depth and breadth of information provided in the newsletter can be optimized to meet the needs of our residents.

I sincerely hope that you actively enjoy these last six weeks of summer. Take full advantage of all the natural places, outdoor movies, parks and trails for biking and paddling, and the bounty of fresh produce from our Mansfield farms. And when the heat is oppressive, stop by our Town facilities to cool off and say hello.

Very respectfully,

Ryan J. Aylesworth
Town Manager

Subscribing to the electronic newsletter is easy and straightforward. Simply:

- Go to this page on the town’s website: <http://mansfieldct.gov/list.aspx>
- Enter your email address in the “Email Address” field
- Under the “Notify Me” section of the page check the box for “News & Press Releases”

Look for an automated email informing you that your email address has been added to the distribution list, then confirm your account. That’s it!

Reminding all Voters: Party Primaries Tuesday, August 9



Democrats and Republicans will hold a Primary Election on August 9, 2022. Only those residents who are registered as a Democrat or a Republican may vote in the Primary. You will receive the ballot for the party with which you are registered.

Absentee ballots are available from the Town Clerk’s office. Details on this service are available at:

<https://www.mansfieldct.gov/2016/Absentee-Ballot>

Here is a listing of who will appear on the Republican and Democratic party ballots in Mansfield:

Office	Party	Candidate	Address
U.S. Senator	Republican	*Themis Klarides	66 Governors Way, Madison, CT 06443
	Republican	Leora R. Levy	59 Peckslan Rd., Greenwich, CT 06831
	Republican	Peter Lumaj	745 Mill Plain Rd., Fairfield, CT 06824
Secretary of the State	Republican	*Dominic Rapini	4 Mariners Way, Branford, CT 06405
	Republican	Terrie E. Wood	50 Saint Nicholas Rd., Darien, CT 06820
Secretary of the State	Democratic	*Stephanie Thomas	81 William St., Norwalk, CT 06851
	Democratic	Maritza Bond	784 Quinnipiac Ave., New Haven, CT 06513
Treasurer	Democratic	*Erick Russell	215 Stevenson Rd., New Haven, CT 06515
	Democratic	Dita Bhargava	502 Cognewaugh Rd., Greenwich, CT 06807
	Democratic	Karen DuBois-	58 Pearl St., New Haven, CT

***Party-Endorsed Candidates**

Hours of Voting: 6:00 AM TO 8:00 PM

Voting Locations:

- District 1 – Mansfield Community Center, 10 South Eagleville Road
- District 2 – Mansfield Fire Department Station 107 (Eagleville), 889 Stafford Road
- District 3 – Buchanan Auditorium, Mansfield Library, 54 Warrenville Road
- District 4 – Annie Vinton School, 306 Stafford Road

If you are uncertain where your polling place is, or whether you are registered to vote in the primary, see our [Frequently Asked Questions](#), or call and speak to our staff:

Office of the Town Clerk: 860-429-3302 ext. 4 or townclerk@mansfieldct.org

Registrars of Voters: 860-429-3368 or voterregistrars@mansfieldct.org



Free

Swim Lesson Evaluations

Sunday, August 14th
10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Not sure what level your child is for MCC swim lessons? Come to our Free Swim Lesson Evaluation session and have our swim instructors test your child's ability.

No Registration Required.
First come – first served.
Evaluation takes approximately 5-10 min per child.

For more information:
Mansfieldcc.com
860-429-3015 ext. 0
10 S. Eagleville Road, Mansfield, Ct 06268



CodeRED: Sign up for Emergency Notifications Today



Mansfield’s CodeRED emergency notification system serves as the backbone of the Town of Mansfield’s emergency planning and communications outreach. CodeRED enables us to send telephone calls, text messages, emails, and posts to social media in an effort to effectively inform residents to protect life and property.

Whether there is the threat of hurricanes, violent storms, or other non-weather emergencies such as bioterrorism or missing child notifications, you can be informed directly by our service.

For information on CodeRED, directions to sign up and other related information, just go to the [Emergency Management Department’s web page](#).



If you have any trouble enrolling in this free service, please call the Emergency Management Department at 860.429.3328 and staff will help you enroll.

For more information on how you can be sure your household is ready for any emergency, use this [Emergency Preparedness Guide](#) from the State of Connecticut.

When preparing for an emergency, there are many areas you may not think about. For example:

- Do you have all your critical phone numbers listed on a paper copy in case you can’t access your cell phone? Include on your list numbers for family members with whom you may need to stay, physicians, insurance agents, and neighbors.
- Do you have all the prescriptions on which you rely listed where you can access them or replace them if necessary?
- Are you properly insured for emergencies? For example, your homeowners insurance probably doesn’t cover flood-related property damage. Talk to your agent about how to protect your property in case of a flood event. Or look into the [national flood insurance program](#).
- If you’re directed to “shelter in place” what does that mean and what should you have on hand?

Interested in Keeping Up with the Latest Development Activities? Visit the Town of Mansfield Website!

Are you interested in learning about proposed projects and businesses coming to Mansfield? Check out the [Development Activity](#) portion of the Planning and Development web page on the Town of Mansfield’s website.

Of particular note this month are recent amendments to the zoning regulations to create a [Mixed-Use Transitional Zone](#) and an application that is before the Inland Wetlands Agency for a [Mixed-Use Development in Four Corners](#) that will be added to the Toast/Hops 44 property.



Mansfield Mustangs: Youth Volunteers Learning Through Service



Mansfield youth entering grades 5 to 9 were provided the opportunity to become Mansfield Mustangs this summer. Fourteen young residents are participating in this rewarding service learning program focused on nature, animals and supporting sustainability. Through this program coordinated by Mansfield Youth Services, participants volunteer with local organizations performing some maintenance and community service.

One of the organizations visited was Tara Farm Rescue where the Mustangs were given a tour of the farm and even pitched in to clean Duncan the Steer’s enclosure! Duncan was a hoot and seemed to really enjoy the company of the kids. He even laid down for some head scratches!

Tara Farm Rescue was started in 1982 as a safe place for unwanted horses. Through hard work, determination, and dedicated volunteer workers, the farm has grown and expanded to house cows, pigs, donkeys, llamas, goats, chickens, dogs, and cats.



Horizon Wings was another stop for the Mustangs this summer. The Mansfield Mustangs got all geared up in Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) to protect the birds at Horizon Wings, a service that rescues and rehabilitates injured birds. With a rise in Avian Flu cases, the PPE helped ensure birds were protected from any possible exposure as our volunteers helped clean out their travel boxes. Go Mustangs!



Mansfield Welcomes New Resident State Troopers



As a result of retirements and promotions within the Connecticut State Police, the Town of Mansfield and Mansfield Resident Troopers office welcomes four newly assigned troopers this summer: Trooper Ryan Butler, Trooper Ashley Fillian, Trooper Justin Paradis and Trooper Hecmaly Rivera.

The new officers have wasted no time in jumping into meeting the community’s needs. The troopers will be participating in Car Seat Safety Certification and Bike Certification. Trooper Fillian has completed her D.A.R.E. certification. The D.A.R.E. program empowers youth to respect others and choose to lead lives free from violence, substance use, and other dangerous behaviors. There has been expressed interest in reestablishing the program in Mansfield. Trooper Fillian was also recently appointed to serve as the Town’s newly established Community Liaison with Youth Services and the local school districts.

Several troopers also participated in the Special Olympics Torch Run through Mansfield in early June. State Troopers all across Connecticut escorted the torch to ensure the flame could burn brightly over the Special Olympians at their competition.

As always, the Resident Troopers office will have a booth at the Celebrate Mansfield Festival in Downtown Storrs on September 24. Please stop by at their booth to say hello and welcome them to Mansfield.

**Reminder: UConn Move-In Weekends:
-August 19-21 for commuting students living off-campus, and
-August 26-28 for freshmen and on-campus student residents.**
Please expect there may be delays along Rte. 195 and at key points around campus and plan your local travels accordingly.

Mansfield Youth Services Invites You to Contribute Your Family's Favorite Recipe to a Cookbook; Bring it to a Potluck Dinner August 4.

Mansfield Community Cookbook

Family POTLUCK and Bingo

Thursday, August 4, 2022
Mansfield Senior Center
5:00 - 6:30 pm

Mansfield has great taste!
Bring your family's favorite dish to share and check out the tasty things your neighbors are cooking up for our "Community Cookbook" night. Email your recipe and number of family members attending to ysb@mansfieldct.org by Friday, July 29, and we will be sure to have enough recipe copies available as we start our Mansfield Community Cookbook project.

We would also love to see local ingredients included in your recipes. Anyone who uses local goods will be entered into a drawing to win a gift card. Please just note your local ingredients on your recipes and where you got them.

MANSFIELD YOUTH SERVICES

Taste of Mansfield
Connecting the Community Through Local Food

We're connecting the community through local food—your family favorites! Mansfield Youth Services invites your family to submit your favorite family recipe to ysb@mansfieldct.org, then cook it up for our Potluck Dinner on August 4 at 5:30 PM.

And since it's full summer harvest season, when you include a locally grown ingredient or two, your name will be entered to win a gift card!

Let us know you're coming as soon as possible, [send us your recipe](#), and we look forward to seeing you all there. And Mansfield Public Schools Superintendent Peter Dart will be joining us, too, so if your family hasn't met him yet, this will be a great chance to say hello!



JOIN US FOR FREE MANSFIELD DAYS

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7
SAT./SUN., SEPTEMBER 3-4
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

MANSFIELD COMMUNITY CENTER
Family, Fitness & Fun!

PROOF OF MANSFIELD RESIDENCY REQUIRED



Let's Celebrate! Register by August 5 to be Part of the Celebrate Mansfield Festival.

The Mansfield Downtown Partnership will host its 19th Annual Celebrate Mansfield Festival on Saturday, September 24. The Festival will take place from 2:00 PM to 8:00 PM in Downtown Storrs. In the event of inclement weather, the Festival will be held indoors at E. O. Smith High School.

This year's celebration of the best of Mansfield will include hands-on activities for all ages, games, puppetry, music, and more!

There will be a variety of entertainment and food booths on and around Betsy Paterson Square and booths featuring hands-on fun for all ages on Dog Lane, Royce Circle, and Wilbur Cross Way.

After a successful debut in 2021, the juried craft show returns to Dog Lane this year. Our "Kids' Zone" will be set-up on Wilbur Cross Way with children's entertainment and activities. Look for performances by Kidsville Kuckoo Revue and Pete Haddad's Hubba Bubba Magic Show to take place in the Kids' Zone!

Team up with your friends for some friendly competition: New this year will be a corn hole tournament on Wilbur Cross Way!

Another new attraction at this year's Festival will be a special photographic exhibit in the Nash-Zimmer Transportation Center. Building Bridges will be on display in the Nash-Zimmer prior to and during the Celebrate Mansfield Festival.

At 6:00 PM, we invite everyone to stop by a food booth or one of our downtown restaurants, pick up some dinner, and head to Betsy Paterson Square for our closing concert.

Please visit our website, downtownstorrsfestival.org, for more details as planning progresses.

2022 Celebrate Festival Schedule

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM: Activity and craft booths open on Dog Lane, Royce Circle, & Wilbur Cross Way

2:00 PM – 6:00 PM: EHHD Free Flu & COVID-19 Vaccine Clinic open on Wilbur Cross Way

2:00 PM – 8:00 PM: Food booths open around Betsy Paterson Square

3:00 PM – 5:00 PM: Storrs Farmers Market open at Town Hall

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM: Closing concert on Betsy Paterson Square

There's still time to be part of the Celebrate Mansfield Festival fun!

Mansfield businesses and community organizations and UConn departments, programs, and student groups are invited to:

Host an Activity Booth: Connect with our community with a hands-on, low-waste activity for any age; Cost is \$25; Deadline to sign up is Friday, August 5

Host a Food Booth: Show off your restaurant's best bites or raise some money for your organization; Cost is \$25; Deadline to sign up is Friday, August 5

Volunteer: Open to individuals or groups, a great way to give back to our community; Sign up at downtownstorrsfestival.org

Local crafters, artists, and makers are invited to apply for a space in the juried craft show:

Goods must be hand-made, artisan, or locally sourced

Only original work may be sold. Imports, products made from kits, and manufactured or wholesale goods are not permitted

Deadline to apply is Friday, August 5

Approved vendors will be notified by Friday, August 12

There is a \$25 fee for approved vendors

Please visit downtownstorrsfestival.org for more information as well as applications for Activity, Craft, and Food Booths.

Sign Up Now for the Next Mansfield Local Government Academy



Are you interested in learning more about how the Town of Mansfield operates? What goes into the community’s decision-making process? What does each department do? The next session of the Mansfield Local Government Academy will kick off September 15, and the Town Manager’s office is ready to register up to 20 residents who are interested in attending this year’s Academy.

Tour the facilities, and ask questions of the staff. Town Manager Aylesworth organized the Academy to inform and engage citizens in what is involved to operate a high-functioning community government.

Department heads lead each session to provide the challenges and opportunities they face each day. Learn about Public Works, Registrars of Voters, Fire and Police, and Planning and Development plus more. Participants are asked to commit to attend at least ten of the 12 two-hour sessions at various locations across the Town on Thursday evenings throughout the fall.



For the [full schedule](#), visit our Mansfield Local Government Academy web page. If you’d like to be connected with another resident who participated in the session last year, residents are encouraged to email TownMngr@mansfieldct.org or call 860.429.3373



Public Works' Tree Crew Works to Prevent Potential Safety Hazard



The Department of Public Works (DPW) has responsibility for all trees within the Town's right of way on roads and on all Town-owned property. Many of these trees have died or are dying due to recent infestations of insects. The spongy moth (formally known as the gypsy moth) and the emerald ash borer or EAB have destroyed numerous Town trees.

The spongy moth infestation of a few years ago was severe and weakened many trees. While the caterpillar would eat any tree, they preferred oak, a prevalent tree in Mansfield. Many of these trees never recovered, requiring their removal. After many years of expecting its arrival, the EAB is in Connecticut and will kill every ash tree. The EAB is a beetle native to north-eastern Asia that feeds on ash trees. The EAB deposits eggs into the ash tree trunk. After hatching, the larvae drills its way into the tree cambium and destroys the tree by cutting off the flow of nutrients and water from the roots to the leaves. Due to woodpeckers eating on the EAB larvae, the ash tree bark will change to a tan or blonde color. This "blonding" effect means the EAB has infested the tree and the tree should be removed.



The Town must take action on these dead or damaged trees, as they pose a serious potential public safety hazard because of their unpredictability.

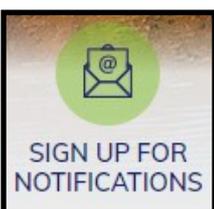
Fortunately, the Town recognized these issues early and in the fall of 2019 established a DPW tree crew and purchased a bucket truck. Since its creation, the tree crew has removed over 960 trees, not including any trees removed by contractors working for the Town, State, or utility companies.

On most days, the tree crew consists of two people, an arborist crew leader, Alan Weeks, and a truck driver, Erik Peterson. The average tree with a diameter of 24 inches and height of 75 feet takes about 1.5 hours to remove (not including travel, setup, and cleanup) which means the crew can get three average trees down in a day. With more than 100 miles of Town roads and acres of Town-owned land and two aggressive insects, the tree crew has a long time to go before it can only perform preventive maintenance trimming.

If you see any trees that are a serious hazard to public safety, please notify the DPW through the [Citizen's Portal](#).



Know about road construction and closure notifications, plus more!



If you want to receive alerts from the Town of Mansfield, just [visit the website under Sign Up for Notifications](#), and select *News & Press Releases*.

You will be informed when the Town has news you should know! Events. Emergencies. Traffic holdups. Road work.

Mansfield Parks & Recreation Offers Opportunities Galore

As summer winds down and the school year starts up, we are excited to introduce a number of new programs, activities, and events for all ages with Parks and Recreation. Don't forget to mark your calendar for Fall program registration, fully open to residents on August 17th. Watch for...

- **Seasonal additions** like our Pumpkin Painting Challenge, family friendly Jingle Jog, the MPRD Cookbook, and new Holiday Craft Fair
- **Social programs** (let's make new friends!) like our Yard Games Group and drop-in gymnasium activities
- **New ways to get stay active** like Hula Dance, Stroller Fit, the return of Barre, and new Adult Swim Stroke Clinics
- **Skill-building options** like Tool Time for Teens, Woodcarving, and Language programs
- **Continued learning** with a new array of history seminars, and **early learning** at Music for Preschoolers
- **And more!**

Discover more about these exciting new opportunities at our Open House events!

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MEET INSTRUCTORS
SEE PRIVATE LESSONS & PROGRAMS IN ACTION
REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS!
TOUR THE FACILITY

RE-INTRODUCING
LENARD HALL



**COMMUNITY SCHOOL
OF THE ARTS**

**450 S. EAGLEVILLE
ROAD, STORRS, CT**

YOU'RE INVITED!

**GRAND RE-OPENING
EVENT**

MONDAY, AUGUST 22ND
4 P.M.-6 P.M.

WWW.MANSFIELDCT.GOV/CSA | 860.429.3015 EXT. 6

Join us for the Grand Re-Opening event at Lenard Hall Community School of the Arts! Lenard Hall will be open for tours on Monday, August 29 from 4 to 6 p.m. Come learn about music lesson options, visual art opportunities (including open studio), dance classes, and more. Learn about the Community School of the Arts now at mansfieldct.gov/csa.

As the school season approaches, parents are reminded that Parks and Recreation hosts Before and After School Friends programs for those in grades K-4 and Recreation Rescue camp-style programs on Professional Development days for grades K-8. Additionally, Teen Center memberships are free to children in grades 5-12 with busing from MMS available. More details on these programs can be found at <https://mansfieldct.gov/1612/BeforeAfter-School-Friends> and <https://mansfieldct.gov/1675/Teen-Center>.

There are plenty of warm days ahead with six more weeks of summer. Take advantage of Bicentennial Pond—the water, the pavilion and the wildlife. [Pond hours are available here](#); and there is no charge again this year for beach access, so let's soak up some sun!

Summer doesn't last forever, however, and as the autumn colors flourish, Mansfield parks and trails offer some truly wonderful experiences in the fall season. Colorful "vista views" are best found at Fifty Foot, Wolf Rock at Sawmill Brook Preserve, and Coney Rock. The dynamic nature of these trails allows for hikes of varying lengths. Take a different approach and experience the beauty of fall from the water with a paddleboard or kayak rental! Check out www.mansfieldct.gov/ParksandPreserves for an interactive trail-finder and the option to download Town trail guides and maps.

**SAVE THE DATE! September 3-4, 2022
FREE ADMISSION THIS WEEKEND!**



OPEN HOUSE

FULL OF FAMILY, FITNESS, & FUN!

Swimming, fitness center, child care, gymnasium, teen center, and select activities.



**MANSFIELD
COMMUNITY CENTER**
Family, Fitness & Fun!

860-429-3015
10 S. Eagleville Road, Storrs, CT 06268
Learn more at www.mansfieldcc.com



The Mansfield Community Center welcomes you, free of charge, to Open House on September 3rd and 4th to swim, walk, run, play and more in our family-friendly atmosphere. With two pools, an indoor track, fitness center, an array of classes and programs, a gymnasium, teen center, and child care service, the opportunities at our center are unmatched.

Schedules and additional information on programs and memberships are available at www.mansfieldcc.com. The Fall 2022 program brochure is filled with exciting and healthy programs and classes. There is something for everyone, so be sure to review it soon at <https://mansfieldct.gov/1689/Current-Catalog> and sign up early!

We look forward to seeing you!

Fall Brochure

Available online
August 1st

Member Registration for Fitness & Aquatics programs opens August 15th

Resident registration opens August 17th

Registration open to all August 19th



Mansfield Community Center Annual Shutdown
Monday, August 22-Sunday, August 28

In person registration will NOT be available. Please plan accordingly.

Why is My Dog Required to be on a Leash in Mansfield's Parks?



Don't worry. My dog is friendly. She has never hurt anyone...
If we only had a nickel for every time this was said.

You know the rules and laws about dogs. Have a license. Keep dogs on a leash. Scoop the poop. But what is the reason behind those yellow signs with a dog on a leash posted at the trail heads of our town parks?

We welcome dogs in town parks and preserves, and we have rules to protect dogs and people.

Parks are filled with people of varying sensibilities taking part in different activities, and dogs off-leash and running amid other park user activities isn't neighborly. Without a leash, dog owners can't restrict a dog's movement, and some of those movements are risky and end in tragedy or, at the least, are an irritating inconvenience. We have heard of off-leash dogs returning to their owners for loving scratches and snuggles, and the owner has no idea the dog just romped through poison ivy. That spreads to the owner. Ouch!

No matter how well trained a dog is, it still possesses the instincts of a dog. You can't change that. Dogs will, at some point, react on instinct in ways people simply don't expect. Immaculately trimmed and superbly trained dogs have snapped at judges and pooped on center stage at dog shows. Telling yourself and others that "my dog doesn't do that" is kidding yourself, because under the right circumstances, it will.

Some people haven't grown up with dogs or been around them frequently. They may intend to be friendly toward your dog, but they may do something the dog interprets as aggressive, such as place their face directly in front of your dog's face. That's inviting an instinctive attack. You can't control what other people do around your pet, so you must control your dog to avoid conflicts.

There is simple courtesy. No other person knows what you know about your dog. They don't know if your dog is trained, or how well it is trained. There are people who simply don't like dogs or who are afraid of dogs. You are spoiling their park visit if they must stop what they're doing because your dog is moving toward them. Someone else may be walking a dog that is smaller than your dog, or is dog-aggressive and you're not making any friends if your dog is scaring another dog or person.

Dogs of all sizes will chase animals they view as prey or as a threat to themselves or their owners. Sometimes they investigate out of curiosity or out of a desire to play. We have seen the most mild-mannered, low-key dogs bolt with explosive speed and power when a fox trots into their field of vision. We have seen dogs break into sprints when they catch sight of another dog they know, tragically without paying attention to the cars on the street they're crossing. We know of unleashed dogs that have been chasing deer or simply got lost.

And then there's the wildlife. Loose dogs are very disruptive and stressful for the wildlife in our parks, especially when they have young. A dog off leash is free to defecate in areas that the owner doesn't see or can't reach. Wildlife views your dog as a predator, and the scent of your dog's feces affects wildlife behavior.

Some of those fecal bacteria problems can be avoided by the simple stewardship act of picking up the poop with a plastic bag. Throw the bag in an appropriate trash can.

It's about stewardship – caring for your neighbor and your natural resources. The Town of Mansfield welcomes dogs on a leash in parks. Walking in a park with a dog is an adventure for you and your pet, and you might see the park through new eyes. Your dog benefits from new smells and socializing with other dogs, and the time together is quality time that reassures your dog about its place in the home pack.

In summary, keep your dog and others safe by keeping dogs on leash. Dogs off-leash:

- Can be injured or injure people,
- Cause or contribute to accidents,
- Can approach small children in strollers and may put the child at risk,
- Chase, harm, or kill other dogs or wildlife,
- Are more likely to be exposed to disease and infections caused by ticks, insects, water borne infections, and wildlife (i.e. rabies) or be sickened by chemicals (i.e. antifreeze on a parking lot), roadkill, insect stings or plant poisons.

Mansfield Community Center Annual Shutdown
Monday, August 22-Sunday, August 28

In person registration will NOT be available. Please plan accordingly.

Mansfield Youth Services Summer Programs Engage Families and Kids



Mansfield’s Youth Services Department views summer as a great time to engage families and young people when they have a little more spare time in their days. After hosting a wildly successful Celebrate Pride event at Betsy Paterson Square in mid-June, the Youth Services Team has coordinated several programs throughout the summer. (See the story about Mansfield Mustangs on page 6.)

Summer Kick Off Event....Pizza Giveaway

Mansfield Youth Services paired up with Mansfield family-owned ‘Pizza 101’ in Pomfret to deliver 150 pizza kits to children and families to kick off summer vacation.

This is the third year that they have teamed up to give families a fun activity they can do together. Families proudly shared their home pizza-making fun on social media.



The Great Outdoor Adventure Learning (GOAL) Program

The Great Outdoor Adventure Learning (GOAL) program has made its way back this summer for the first time since 2019. GOAL is an adventure-based learning and positive youth development program for Mansfield youth leaving middle school and preparing to transition into high school.

Youth have the opportunity to participate in a variety of activities including hiking, kayaking, swimming, ropes courses, camping and community and character building activities to develop self-confidence, social connectedness, creative problem-solving, and resilient responses to new adventures and situations.

Jewelry Making and Scrapbook Evening

Youth came together to beat the heat and let their creative juices flow! In July, Youth Services held a Jewelry making night for youth to come together with their peers and create charm necklaces and bracelets.

In August, youth are invited to participate in a fun-filled evening of scrapbooking! Youth will all go home with a scrapbook that highlighted their summer fun!

Covenant Soup Kitchen Volunteers

A service project group was also formed this summer for Mansfield youth entering grades 10-12 to help out the Covenant Soup Kitchen. Every Friday Mansfield Youth Services and 12 high school students team up to volunteer at the Covenant Soup Kitchen. We assist with weekly meal prep and serve lunch to about 150-200 people in the community.



Successful Helping Hands Program Winding Down in 2022



The Town is now assisting approximately 170 families with food and childcare through the Helping Hands program. The federally funded program, however, concludes at the end of December, or when funding is depleted.

Program coordinators have begun to communicate with the participants to remind them that the program will be terminating and are connecting them with other assistance programs available through the Human Services Department and elsewhere. Please email the Helping Hand team at HelpingHand@MansfieldCT.org with questions.

Reuse is the Best Use



Recycling is good. Reuse is even better. Before you dispose your unwanted items, consider the many opportunities for reuse, including websites such as [Buy Nothing Mansfield](#), the Mansfield Swap Shop, and the Re-Use area next to the metal dumpster at the Transfer Station. For more information visit the [Reuse Opportunities](#) page on our town website.



Mansfield Farms to Families Program Begins Seasonal Food Box Distributions. Households Still Welcome to Apply!

The Human Services Department’s Mansfield Farms to Families Program has completed two distributions of food boxes already this season.

Food box distributions include a hearty selection of locally sourced fresh produce and food products from area farms. Our food boxes typically include fruit, vegetables, eggs, milk and sometimes even foods like honey, apple cider, maple syrup or ice cream. When products are available, MFFP participants are notified in advance to pick them up, with at least five fresh food boxes provided throughout the season.

For more information or to see if you qualify to be part of the Mansfield Farms to Families Program, please:

Email MFFP@mansfieldct.org, Call 860-429-3315, or [Complete the application](#) on the Human Services Department web page.



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There is Always More Fun to Find at the Mansfield Public Library



So much is happening at the library in these waning days of summer. For a full listing of activities, visit our web site at www.mansfieldlibraryct.org.

Here are a few extra special family events we have planned:

Nappy's Puppets Sing-A-Long Show

Wednesday, August 3, 10:30-11:15AM

Funny and familiar songs made even sillier with shadow puppets!

Jim Napolitano, aka Nappy, is an expert in the art of shadow puppetry. For this show he has gathered some of the funniest, silliest songs of all times and figured out a way to make them even funnier. You may think you know the Monkeys on the Bed, Bunny Foo-Foo and the Old Lady Who Swallowed a Fly, but you've never seen them performed quite like this! For more information visit <https://www.nappyspuppets.com> No registration required.

Ice Cream Social

Thursday, August 11, 2:30-4PM

Relax with family and friends, and make your own sundae out on the field!

It's back! Our annual Ice Cream Social took a break during the pandemic and now we're more than ready for ice cream. Join us outside on the lawn for fun, games and make-your-own-sundae. Help us celebrate as summer winds down, and enjoy some relaxing time with family and friends. (Mansfield Public Schools Superintendent Peter Dart will be joining us, too, so come meet him and say hello!) Free. No registration required.

Planting Dreams Harvesting Hope Family Concert

Saturday, September 17, 4-5:30 PM

Songwriter and music therapist Maya Rogers presents an interactive musical storytelling performance.

Join songwriter and music therapist Maya Rogers Sherman and friends for an interactive musical performance of her original story about the power of our hopes and dreams. Enjoy seeing orchestral instruments up close, plus learn some fun and simple ways to use music to boost mental and emotional wellbeing.

The concert will include a tree-planting ceremony and we'll use our dreams to create a garden of hope. This outdoor concert is free and intended for a family audience. It is made possible with the support of the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, Office of the Arts. Please note that we plan to have this program outside, but will move inside if it rains. Free. No registration required.

Watch for More News and Updates on our Social Media



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Mansfield Public Schools and Town of Mansfield Recycling Coordinator Team Up to Create Compost and Minimize Food Waste



Mansfield and Mansfield Public Schools are committed to teaching students about the importance of recycling and composting food scraps to keep them out of the waste stream. For more than 20 years, the elementary schools and middle school have been composting their food scraps.

Originally, each school had their own on-site compost bins. The Green Thumbs Club in some of the schools participated in the compost process. For instance, students would screen the finished compost and use it to enhance garden soils. When the program resumed after the pandemic this past school year, the food scraps were moved off-site and composted at the Mansfield Transfer Station in the leaf compost pile. Each Thursday during the school year, Town of Mansfield’s Recycling Coordinator Virginia Walton made the rounds to the Mansfield School locations to pick up food waste collected in the cafeterias and the school kitchens throughout the week. School custodians help by consolidating these scraps into rolling bins.

Residents drop off their leaves every year at the Mansfield Transfer Station and a long windrow is created that turns into soil. Virginia adds these school scraps to this leaf pile. After checking the scraps to pull out errant ketchup packets and plastic baggies that may be mixed in, the staff there will rotate the pile. With the addition of some food, the leaf pile is enriched. Virginia also regularly checks the temperature of the compost pile to ensure it’s “cooking” at the proper heat.

The weekly collection from each school is regularly weighed and data recorded as part of a report that Virginia has been compiling from the schools since 1994. The amount of school food scraps that were composted in 2021/22 school year was about 14,833 pounds or 7.42 tons. The total savings in school trash tipping fees is \$676. The greenhouse gas emissions savings of the composted food scraps, when compared to trash incineration, is .14 GHG metric tons. The finished compost is available to residents all to use as a source of a nutrient-rich replacement to chemical fertilizers.



Goodwin School opted to recycle in a different way and donated their food scraps to a pig farmer. As shown on the food recovery hierarchy, feeding animals is a preferred method of repurposing food scraps over composting. Goodwin School’s donation to animal feed totaled 3,667 pounds or 1.83 tons.

“Although this weekly collection process takes time, it’s important to teach our youngest residents that food scraps should be separated from regular trash and composted,” says Virginia. “This is a habit we hope students will take home and practice with their families, too. We have already met with the school administration about how Mansfield Elementary School will approach recycling and food scraps in the future to establish new systems as part of the environmentally friendly focus of the new school.”

Emergency Relief Funding Available for Residents



Are you facing an emergency financial situation that was magnified by the COVID-19 crisis? Human Services administers the Mansfield Resident Assistance & Relief Program (RARE), which was established using federal funds made available through the American Rescue Program Act (ARPA).

You can find the application [on our website](#). Applicant households are evaluated individually with health, housing, utilities, mental health and other emergencies as priorities. Criteria for assistance includes: financial hardship (200% of federal poverty income or below), history of assistance, and access to other available private/public financial resources. The financial crisis must have been caused or magnified by the COVID pandemic. In addition, an assessment will be conducted to whether the assistance will help the individual or family become more self-sufficient. Please reach out to Human Services with questions at 860.429.3315.



Mansfield Public Library's Virtual Author Series Kicks Off in August



How often have you wanted to hear the inside story about the creation of some of your favorite books? Through this new service at Mansfield Public Library, you can hear directly from these nationally acclaimed writers about their works. Register for these author talks and check out other online author talks here: <https://libraryc.org/mansfieldpubliclibraryct>.

Dr. Marcia Chatelain, *Franchise: The Golden Arches in Black America*
Wednesday, August 3, 2-3PM

We invite you to an invigorating discourse of scholarship and cultural history with Dr. Marcia Chatelain as she discusses her Pulitzer prize-winning book, *Franchise: The Golden Arches in Black America*. Dr. Chatelain, a highly accomplished professor and scholar of African American life and culture, is a frequent public speaker with expertise in food justice, race and ethnicity, and Urban Policy and consults for many media outlets including, *The Atlantic*, C-Span, MSNBC, CNN, and BBC America.

In *Franchise*, Dr. Chatelain set out to discover the interplay between fast-food restaurants and their saturation within black neighborhoods. McDonald's has often been blamed for the rising rates of obesity and diabetes among black Americans. Join us for an illuminating talk about the history of urban development, race relations, and fast food that is sure to whet your intellectual appetite – Q&A with the author to follow!

Liz Moore, *Long Bright River*
Tuesday, August 9, 9-10PM

Join us for an enthralling evening with New York Times Bestselling author Liz Moore as she discusses her international bestseller, *Long Bright River*, and her other works.

Long Bright River takes place in Philadelphia where Moore has lived for over a decade. The novel traces the story of two sisters estranged from each other but bonded by their choices. Mickey is a cop, and Kacey lives on the streets in the clutches of addiction. When Kacey suddenly disappears during a string of mysterious murders, Mickey panics over her sister's safety—becoming obsessed with finding the culprit and her sister before it's too late. Drawing on deeply personal volunteer work, Liz Moore spins a story that is both graphically honest and dignified. A gripping conversation, you don't want to miss! Author Q&A to follow!

Dr. Michele Harper, *The Beauty in Breaking: A Memoir*
Monday, August 22, 9-10PM

Join us for an enlightening discussion with Dr. Michele Harper as she highlights the lessons learned on her inspiring personal journey of discovery and self-reflection as written in her New York Times Best Selling memoir, *The Beauty in Breaking*.

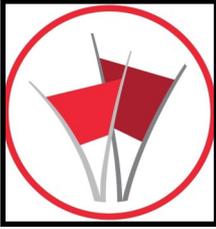
The Beauty in Breaking tells the story of Dr. Harper, a female, African American, ER physician in an overwhelmingly male and white profession. Brought up in Washington, D.C., in a complicated family, she attended Harvard, where she met her husband. They stayed together through medical school until two months before she was scheduled to join the staff of a hospital in central Philadelphia when he told her he couldn't move with her. Her marriage at an end, Harper, began her new life in a new city, in a new job, as a newly single woman. *The Beauty in Breaking* speaks about how each of us are broken—physically and emotionally, how we go about recognizing those breaks, how we try to mend them, and where we go from there as all equally crucial parts of the healing process. You are invited to a riveting and powerful conversation of self-healing with Q&A to follow!

Liz Wiseman, *Impact Players: How to Take the Lead, Play Bigger, and Multiply Your Impact*
Thursday, August 25, 12 noon-1PM

Join us as we sit down in conversation with Liz Wiseman, *New York Times* Best-Selling author, researcher, and executive adviser as she showcases her latest book *Impact Players: How to Take the Lead, Play Bigger and Multiply Your Impact* and discusses why some people break through and make an impact while others get stuck going through the motions. In every organization, impact players are indispensable colleagues who can be counted on in critical situations and consistently receive high-profile assignments and new opportunities. Drawing on insights from leaders at top companies, Wiseman explains what the most influential players are doing differently, how small and seemingly insignificant differences in how we think and act can make an enormous impact, and why-- with a little coaching--this mindset is available to everyone who wants to contribute at their highest level and do more meaningful work.

Liz Wiseman teaches leadership to executives worldwide. She is a *New York Times* and *Wall Street Journal* bestseller for multiple titles and the CEO of the Wiseman Group, a leadership research and development firm headquartered in Silicon Valley, California. You are invited to take the lead and multiply your impact by joining the conversation! An author Q&A to follow!

Storrs Farmers Market: Fresh, Local and Lots of Fun Downtown!



Every Saturday through November 19
3 to 5:00 PM, On the front lawn of Town Hall

This is the season when fresh produce is rolling in at its peak! Right through until frost in mid-fall, you can take home a terrific selection of locally grown fruits, vegetables and farm products. Plus there are always guest vendors offering special treats.

This is the perfect opportunity to try your hand at preserving local goodness to enjoy in the seasons to come. Ask the farmers for their favorite methods, or visit the Taste of Mansfield Partner Mansfield Public Library to access resources on how to pickle, freeze, preserve, can or dehydrate foods to optimize quality and nutritional value.



Visit the [Market's website](#) for updates, and [sign up for the weekly newsletter](#) to learn what special features are in store this Saturday!

Moonlight Movies

On Betsy Paterson Square in Downtown Storrs | Activities start at 7:30 PM | Movies start at dusk
Free and open to everyone!



**FRIDAY,
AUGUST 5**

Encanto



**FRIDAY,
AUGUST 12**

*Harry Potter
and the
Prisoner of Azkaban*



**FRIDAY,
AUGUST 19**

*Spider-Man:
No Way Home*

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Did you know that one of the services the Mansfield Senior Center provides is coordinating day trips? You can hop on our new bus, sit back and enjoy the ride to fun destinations while meeting new friends. Look at what's in store for August! If you would like more information, please contact our Outreach Coordinator Yamil Figueroa at 860-487-9875. (And each month brings fun new adventures!)

AUGUST DAY TRIPS

LUNCH BUNCH: PAUL'S PASTA, GROTON, CT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5TH ~ 11:00AM-2:00PM

Paul's Pasta Shop Features pasta that is made fresh daily on the premises using only the highest quality ingredients available. Enjoy a delicious bowl of pasta while overlooking the Thames River at this award-winning eatery!

BEARDSLEY ZOO, BRIDGEPORT, CT

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10TH ~ 9:00AM-4:00PM

The Beardsley Zoo has a proud history of over 90 years as Connecticut's only zoo. From alligators to tigers to sloths, the Beardsley Zoo has an abundance of animals sure to delight any animal lover! Lunch is available for purchase at the Peacock Café on the grounds of the zoo.

Tickets are \$15/person, prepaid reservations due by 8/3.

POTATO & CORN FESTIVAL, BOZRAH, CT

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13TH ~ 11:00AM-4:00PM

Join us in celebrating two of the tastiest foods in the world: potatoes and corn! Food vendors will be using them to make mouthwatering menu items. Check out the incredible vendors with their festival themed products. Lots of fun with music, potato and corn themed games, activities and contests and so much more!

HARKNESS PARK, WATERFORD, CT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16TH ~ 11:00AM-4:00PM

First, we will get lunch at When Pigs Fly Café, where you can grab a sandwich, wrap or salad! Then we'll head over to Harkness Park where you can stroll through their 6 beautiful historic gardens. Relax on the vast lawns and behold views of the Long Island Sound!

WHALE WATCH, NARRAGANSETT, RI

THURSDAY, AUGUST 25TH ~ 10:30AM-7:30PM

Don't miss your chance to see this great marine mammal! The warm waters off the coast make a great feeding area for majestic Finback Whales! The warm waters also attract many other whales, fish, sharks and dolphins that you may see. Food and beverages may be purchased on board (cash only) or you can bring your own lunch. Remember to bring a jacket because it can get chilly!

Tickets are \$66/person, prepaid reservations due by 8/18.

BROOKLYN FAIR, BROOKLYN, CT

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26TH ~ 11:00AM-4:00PM

Come spend a day at what is considered to be the oldest agricultural fair in the continental United States! Watch Robinson's Racing Pigs, the Donut on a String contest and enjoy a wide variety of food and attractions!

Admission is \$8/person, payable at the gate.

THE GOODSPEED PRESENTS: ANNE OF GREEN GABLES, EAST HADDAM, CT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1ST ~ 10:30AM-6:00PM

World Premier! Anne is feisty, smart and eager to find her own place in the world. But is the world ready for her? Fall in love with the spirited redhead of the classic novel, now reimagined as a vibrant folk-rock musical for all generations. With bold choreography, witty humor and a revolutionary spirit, this is Green Gables as you've never seen it before! We will eat lunch at the Gelston House before the show.

Tickets are \$73/person, prepaid reservations due by 8/25.

BEYOND VAN GOGH, HARTFORD, CT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH ~ 9:30AM-3:30PM

Beyond Van Gogh is a truly immersive experience that incorporates both still and moving art. Masterpieces, freed from frames, come alive, appear, and disappear and flow across multi-surfaces. The show is projected on every surface around you, making you feel as though you have stepped directly into a Van Gogh painting. The experience showcases over 300 of the artist's works. We will stop for lunch after at Arch Street Tavern.

Tickets are \$44/person, prepaid reservations due by 9/8.

The registration form for this service, and all our programs requiring pre-registration, is in our monthly *Senior Sparks* newsletter.

There's always something fun happening at the Mansfield Senior Center! For all the upcoming programs, and information on meal menu and other services, read the latest issue of [Senior Sparks!](#)

SENIOR SPARKS
MANSFIELD SENIOR CENTER NEWSLETTER
~ AUGUST 2022 ~

DO YOU LOVE HALLOWEEN?

Trick-A-Trunk is coming and YOU'RE INVITED!



SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, October 29th, 5-6:30pm*
WHERE: Outside at the Mansfield Community Center

THREE WAYS TO JOIN THE FUN:

COME AS A TRUNK!

"Trunkers" are an essential part of the evening! Get out those decorations, bring lots of candy, and get dressed up for the fun! All vehicles welcome.

Contact Steve at CapobiancoS@mansfieldct.org today to let him know you're coming.

COME TRICK-OR-TREAT!

It's FREE! Families with young children from all towns are welcome. Get dressed up and plan for a night of candy, prizes, games and activities in a safe environment.

P.S. Trick-or-Treat Downtown Storrs is the same day from 3pm-5pm.

BE A SPONSOR!

Want to support the event, but handing out candy isn't for you? Become a SPONSOR! Monetary and candy donations welcome. To learn about sponsorship levels and benefits, contact Steve at CapobiancoS@mansfieldct.org

Free Compost Bin Kits and Finished Compost are Available

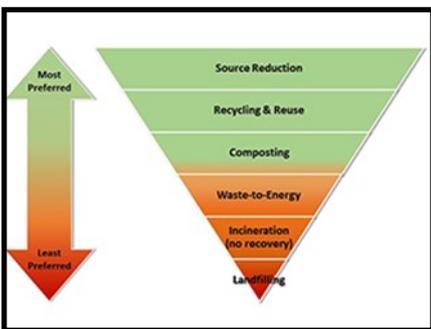


If you start your compost pile this year, you'll have lots of great, rich soil ready for your spring gardens! Made of salvaged materials from the Transfer Station, free chicken wire compost bin kits are available by contacting the Recycling Coordinator at 860-429-3333 or waltonvd@mansfieldct.org.



Do you need compost right away for your late summer gardening? Finished compost is available to residents at no cost at the Transfer Station. Come prepared to load it up in your own containers/vehicle. The Transfer Station hours are Tuesday and Saturday, 8:30 am to 4:00 pm and Thursday 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

Extended Producer Responsibility is Helping Recycling Efforts. And More Updates about the Trash We Create.



For decades, Connecticut has prided itself on handling its own trash using waste-to-energy facilities located in Bridgeport, Hartford, Lisbon and Preston. Waste-to-energy incinerates waste to produce electricity. As you can see from the waste hierarchy chart, waste-to-energy is considered a better alternative than landfilling (although those living in the vicinity of these facilities might disagree.)

The Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP) favors waste-to-energy over landfills as landfills produce methane, a potent greenhouse gas. In July, the Hartford waste-to-energy plant known as MIRA closed. MIRA handled a large portion of the State's waste now leaving a gaping hole in waste disposal. With fewer waste-to-energy facilities in Connecticut, more and more trash could be sent to out-of-state landfills. Although Mansfield's waste currently goes to the Preston facility, the competition for these remaining Connecticut facilities may get fierce driving the cost of the disposal up (referred to as tipping fee). The Town's current contract for waste disposal provides a relatively low tipping fee, but when the contract ends in a year, we anticipate a significant jump in price.

How to Keep Costs Down At Home. You have a choice in the trash collection service size you select for your household. You are given the power to reduce your waste by recycling those items that are accepted by the Town, by composting at home or the Transfer Station and with careful purchasing practices. Individuals can go so far in reducing waste; beyond that systemic changes that need to happen to help consumers. That effort to make systemic change is in process.

How Connecticut Can Lead in Reducing Packaging Waste. You may have encountered Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) without knowing it. If you have taken a mattress, paint or electronics to the Transfer Station recently, you were not charged for it because under Connecticut law, the end-of-life management of these products is no longer a cost to the town. Now this expense is the responsibility of the manufacturer. EPR laws make creators of products consider the cost of the life of the product and internalize these costs. Rather than placing the burden of disposal on a municipality, which has no influence in product creation, it now rests with the manufacturer.

These mattresses, paint and electronics are now made into new products – in other words, recycled – where before the EPR laws, they were not. Mansfield was recycling electronics before the EPR law, but it cost the Town to do so. Well-crafted EPR laws can incentivize refill and reuse systems, change product design to minimize waste and pollution, and improve recyclability. Packaging EPR is an established way of doing business in Canada and Europe. Packaging EPR laws have started to take hold in the United States. For example, last year Maine and Oregon passed packaging EPR laws and this year, California and Colorado joined them. Packaging EPR legislation was introduced in the last Connecticut legislative session, but did not pass. A gas cylinder EPR bill did get signed into law, however.) Another packaging EPR bill will be presented in 2023. In the meantime, municipal leaders and stakeholders are working together on making the best law possible for the Nutmeg State.

The Impact a Packaging EPR Law Would Have at Home. Any product that comes in a package, a box, plastic container, bubble wrap, plastic wrapper, etc. is considered packaging. After food scraps and textiles, packaging represents a large portion

(Continued)



of residential waste and recyclables. If a packaging EPR law went into effect in Connecticut, the disposal or recycle cost would no longer be the responsibility of the municipality. The charge for disposing or recycling packaging would no longer be incorporated into the cost of trash service or a bag of trash at the Transfer Station, potentially reducing the cost of service or offsetting a price spike in the trash tipping fee.

According to a study conducted by Resource Recycling Systems, research found no price increases on consumer packaging as a result of packaging EPR that are currently in place. Mansfield’s state legislators are aware of the value of packaging EPR for their constituents.

Trash Company Casella Waste Systems Branding Conversion

Last year, Casella Waste Systems purchased the trash company, Willimantic Waste Paper, the contractor who services Mansfield residents. Although they bought the business and the name, you may see more Casella trucks and containers as they phase out the Willimantic Waste Paper name.

Take a Tour of the Transfer Station from Your Desk or Phone

A new video on the Mansfield Transfer Station can be found on the Mansfield webpage, www.mansfieldct.gov/transfer-station. You may be surprised by what you can recycle.

What Happens to Your Recyclables?

Check out the video that shows what happens to your recyclables once they leave the curb. Visit www.mansfieldct.gov/recycle.

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Committee Forming to Advise on Affordable Housing



The Affordable Housing Committee (AHC) was created following the passage of the Mansfield Affordable Housing Plan which was enacted on July 12, 2021 by the Mansfield Town Council.

Affordable housing is highlighted as a focus area by the Mansfield Planning and Zoning Commission and Town Council. Chief among the goals of the AHC is to increase access and availability of affordable housing options in

Mansfield using the Mansfield Affordable Housing Plan as framework.

The AHC serves in an advisory capacity to the legislative boards of Mansfield as well as other commissions or committees as needed. Recommendations may concern procurement of funding through the Town of Mansfield's Affordable Housing Trust Fund as well as prospective uses of the Fund. The seven members of the AHC establish policy and procedure for expenditures and provide opportunities for community input to guide recommendations.

The first meeting of this new committee will take place in the Fall of 2022.

Prevent House Fires: Ten Tips from the Mansfield Fire Department



Aside from providing you with shelter, your house serves as a place for making memories and building a life. In return, you have a responsibility to take care of it to prevent damage-causing threats like fire. Fire is one of the disasters that can devastate homes, causing material losses, injuring and killing thousands of people, and leaving extensive fire and smoke damage in its wake.

But while a house fire poses serious danger, especially in colder months, you can also take measures to reduce its risks. Here are some tips to prevent house fires and protect your family and home:

1. Test Your Smoke Alarms Regularly. Smoke detectors are your first line of defense against fire because of their early warning capability. These days, they're hardwired into homes to monitor smoke and carbon monoxide, and send alerts to your smart devices.

If you're using a battery-operated one, it pays to conduct a routine check every six months to see if it's still working. All it takes is pressing a button on your alarm. A weak beep means it's time to change its batteries ASAP. On the other hand, a Wi-Fi-connected alarm will prompt you to swap batteries by sending an alert to your phone.

Whatever you use, it's important to know your smoke detectors are working well. This way, you can be assured that you'll be alerted when a fire breaks out, affording you a wide enough margin to manage the emergency.

2. Ensure All Your Heating Sources Are Working Properly. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) says heating equipment is the top cause of fire in American homes. The thing is, faulty heating sources like space heaters, central heating systems, and fireplaces could trigger a fire when ignored or left unchecked. So an annual professional checkup is necessary to keep them working safely and optimally.

At the same time, you can practice preventive maintenance like cleaning the air filters at regular intervals. If you are using a space heater, position it away from flammable objects. These little details are critical if you consider how debris and dust can be fire hazards when they get too close to a heat source.

3. Clean Your Stove and Oven. Your cooking may not be to blame if your stove suddenly combusts. Instead, the food particles that have accumulated at the bottom of the burner could likely be the culprit. The same thing can happen if you forget to clean the buildup in your oven.

.In particular, cooktop or gas stoves should be wiped after cooking. Meanwhile, modern ovens have a self-cleaning function, which you can take advantage of every few months. Of course, there are other things you should be wary about, such as curtains hanging a bit too close to the stove and small items like a dish towel or cookbook lying on a burner that is still hot.

4. Pay Attention While Cooking. More than half of kitchen fires are caused by cooking with disruptions. Remember that all it takes is a few seconds before things in the kitchen start to catch fire. Even if it's just a pot of boiling noodles, never leave your cooking unattended. Keep distractions away and focus on what you're preparing. If you really need to leave the kitchen for some reason, the safest way is to turn off the stove and stop cooking.

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5. Always Check Your Dryer's Airflow. Dryer fires occur in 2,900 homes in the United States each year. This is because clogged vents or a filter buildup can cause a fire. However, this situation is highly preventable if you follow best practices.

First, you have to get your dryer inspected annually or every few months – there is no substitute for this. Next, always check if your lint trap is clean before putting in a new load of laundry. Incorporate the latter into your to-do list if that's what it takes.

Lint or small clothing items like socks can also get stuck at the back of the machine. So make sure to look for those and remove them prior to operating your dryer.

6. Be Careful with Cords. There are several angles to look at when it comes to cords. First off, make sure to check if there are too many appliances plugged into an outlet, which can cause it to overload. If this is the case, you should immediately lessen the load and keep things manageable for each of your outlets.

Another instance to avoid is ignoring frayed or chewed cords – which is expected if you have pets. One spark from the exposed wires is all it takes for a fire to start. It's a necessity to replace damaged wires as soon as you notice them, to avoid the risk of fire.

Lastly, check your cord placement. Cords tend to get hot so you want to avoid running them under a rug or between your wall and furniture.

7. Store Flammable Products Safely. Common hair products, cosmetics, and household cleaners can all be classified as flammable products. They all tend to combust when placed too close to a large heat source. These are your hairspray, shaving cream, and the like.

To err on the side of caution and avoid fire and smoke damage, you should always check the label of items you purchase, to know which products are prone to catch fire when exposed to heat sources like space heaters. Then, ensure you keep your flammable products in a cool, dry place.

8. Practice Caution with Candles. Always put the candles out if you're leaving a room and blow them out before you fall asleep. Place them in a spot that is far away from objects that can easily catch fire like curtains and blankets.

Never position them on an uneven surface such as a carpet to prevent them from tipping over. And always keep lit candles away from your pet.

9. Keep Your Fireplace Safe. Fireplaces are cozy add ons and many people enjoy the benefits of these in their homes. But your fireplace can also be a source of fire if not maintained correctly. For instance, you would not want stray sparks to escape the fireplace so you need to build a door between the flames and your flooring. When you have a fire going, it is also advised to stay in the room. Dispose of ashes properly, giving them more than enough time to cool down. To be sure, put them in a metal container specifically designed for the disposal of ashes.

10. Invest in a Fire Extinguisher. Fire extinguishers can save lives, making them a worthwhile investment. Having them at home can bolster your feelings of safety. At the same time, they are also genuinely useful in case a fire breaks out.

Make sure to position one fire extinguisher each in an accessible spot on every floor. Put them in the high-risk areas of the house, such as the kitchen and laundry room. Also, check if your units are not yet expired. They usually last an average of 5 to 15 years.

A quick inspection of the pressure gauge is also needed. Just check if the needle falls in the fire extinguisher's green area, and you're good to go.

What's Happening in Town? Don't miss these **EVENTS!**

Watch for more on the [Town of Mansfield website](#) . Watch for updates from the [Mansfield Senior Center](#) which hosts many online and in-person activities each month along with the [Mansfield Public Library](#) and the [Mansfield Community Center](#).

Date	Event/Activity	More Info/Register
August 3	Tween/Teen Program: Library Scavenger Hunt, all day	Mansfield Public Library
August 3	Virtual Author Talk: Dr. Marcia Chatelain, 3:00 pm	Mansfield Public Library
August 3	Nappy's Puppets Sing-Along, 10:30-11:15 AM	Mansfield Public Library
August 4	Mansfield Community Cookbook—Family Potluck and Bingo, 5-6:30PM	Mansfield Youth Services RSVP with your family recipe for the cookbook
August 5	Town Manager Ryan Aylesworth is a guest on Wayne Norman's show, WILI-AM at 7:40AM	WILI-AM
August 5	Moonlight Movies, <i>Encanto</i> , activities begin at 7:30	Downtown Storrs
August 5	Celebrate Mansfield Festival Registration Deadline for Artists and Exhibitors	Downtown Storrs
August 6	Storrs Farmers Market, Town Hall Lawn, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers Market
August 6	Family Storytime, 10:30AM	Mansfield Public Library
August 7	Mansfield Community Center Admission Free to Mansfield Residents	Mansfield Community Center
August 8	Intergenerational Craft Time collaborating with Mansfield Mustangs, 9:30 AM	Mansfield Senior Center (Register by 8/4 to 860.429.0262)
August 9	Virtual Author Talk: Liz Moore, 9:00 PM	Mansfield Public Library
August 9	Party Primary Election, Polls Open 6AM-8PM	Registrars of Voters
August 9	Book Discussion Group, 6:45PM	Mansfield Public Library
August 10	Wonderful Wednesdays at 10:30 AM	
August 11	Free CT FOODSHARE Distribution, Wrights Village Parking Lot on Maple Rd., 11:30 AM-12 noon	Mansfield Human Services or call 860.429.3315
August 11	Ice Cream Social at Mansfield Public Library, 2:30-4 PM	Mansfield Public Library
August 11	Mansfield Library Film Discussion: <i>1917</i> 4K, 6:00 pm	Mansfield Public Library
August 12	Free Moonlight Movie at Paterson Square, <i>Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban</i> , activities start at 7:30PM	Downtown Storrs

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August 13	Storrs Farmers Market, Town Hall Lawn, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers Market
August 13	Family Storytime, 10:30AM	Mansfield Public Library
August 14	Free swim level evaluations , 10AM-12noon	Mansfield Community Center
August 16	Classic Movie Night: <i>It Should Happen to You</i> , 4:00 PM	Mansfield Senior Center Register by August 12 at 860.429.0262
August 17	Registration opens for Fall programs at MCC	Mansfield Community Center
August 17	Mansfield Library Zoom Film Discussion: <i>Portrait of a Lady on Fire</i> , 8PM	Mansfield Public Library
August 19	Fresh Friday Luncheon featuring Seafood Salad (Dine in 12 noon or Take out 11:30AM- 12 noon) at Senior Center	Mansfield Senior Center (Reserve by 8/12 and pre-pay \$10) 860.429.0262
August 19	Moonlight Movie: <i>Spider-Man: No Way Home</i> ; activities begin at 7:30 PM	Downtown Storrs
August 19	Sheryl Faye presents: Laura Ingalls Wilder, Sr. Center, 1:00PM	Mansfield Senior Center (Reserve by 8/17 to 860.429,0262)
August 20	Storrs Farmers Market, Town Hall Lawn, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers' Market
August 20	Family Storytime, 10:30AM	Mansfield Public Library
August 22-28	Mansfield Community Center Annual Shut Down	
August 22	Virtual Author Talk: Dr. Michele Harner, 9PM	Mansfield Public Library
August 24	History for Fun with Joseph Ouellette: Elon Musk, 1:00 PM	Mansfield Senior Center (Register by 8/22 to 860.429.0262)
August 25	Virtual Author talk: Liz Wiseman, 12 noon	Mansfield Public Library
August 25	Free CT FOODSHARE Distribution, Wrights Village Parking Lot on Maple Rd., 11:30 AM-12 noon	Mansfield Human Services or call 860.429.3315
August 27	Storrs Farmers Market, Town Hall Lawn, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers' Market
August 29	Summer Night Series: Play Family Feud. Game show fun and dinner.	Mansfield Senior Center (Reserve by 8/22, cost \$8, 860.429,0262)
August 29	Community School of the Arts Open House at Lenard Hall, 4-6 PM	Mansfield Parks & Recreation at Mansfieldct.gov/CSA or 429.3015 ext. 6

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Sept. 2	Town Manager Ryan Aylesworth is a guest on Wayne Norman's show, WILI-AM at 7:40AM	WILI-AM
Sept. 3 & 4	Open House at Mansfield Community Center; free access to facilities	Mansfield Community Center
Sept. 3	Storrs Farmers' Market, Town Hall facing Price Chopper, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers' Market
Sept. 5	Town Offices Closed for Labor Day Holiday	
Sept. 6	First Day of School Mansfield Public Schools	
Sept. 8	Free CT FOODSHARE Distribution, Wrights Village Parking Lot on Maple Rd., 11:30 AM-12 noon	Mansfield Human Services or call 860.429.3315
Sept. 10	Storrs Farmers' Market, Town Hall facing Price Chopper, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers' Market
Sept. 11	Mansfield Community Center Free to Mansfield Residents, and Grandparents can bring grandkids for free	Mansfield Community Center
Sept. 13	Mansfield Library Book Discussion Group, 6:45	Mansfield Public Library
Sept. 17	Storrs Farmers' Market, Town Hall facing Price Chopper, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers' Market
Sept 17	Planting Dreams, Harvesting Hope Concert at Mansfield Library, 4-5:30PM	Mansfield Public Library
Sept. 22	Free CT FOODSHARE Distribution, Wrights Village Parking Lot on Maple Rd., 11:30 AM-12 noon	Mansfield Human Services or call 860.429.3315
Sept. 24	Celebrate Mansfield Festival, Downtown Storrs, 2-8PM	DowntownStorrsFestival.org
Sept. 24	Storrs Farmers' Market, Town Hall facing Price Chopper, 3-5PM	Storrs Farmers' Market
Sept. 29	Autumn Button Tree Craft for Adults, 6-7:30PM	Mansfield Public Library

Upcoming Municipal Meetings

For the most up-to-date schedule of Town meetings, go to our website at

<https://www.mansfieldct.gov/calendar.aspx?CID=32>

We encourage residents to participate in Mansfield’s governance. Many municipal meetings are still being held virtually, but some are fully in-person. Hybrid meeting options (a combination of virtual attendees from remote locations and in-person at a central location) are offered for the Town Council and The Board of Education

Regardless of the meeting format, residents may still submit Public Comment prior to meetings. You may view some meetings as they occur via Live Video Stream on our YouTube channel. Other meetings are recorded so you may review minutes and recordings after the fact.



To find the log-in information for each of these meetings, go to the [Agendas/Minutes](#) page on the town’s website. Look up the name of the committee, and click on the arrow to the left of the title. The agenda for the upcoming meeting will appear. Click on the pdf, and the log-in information for how to watch the meeting will be included there. Minutes of past meetings are also posted there.

Please Contact Our Department Leaders for What You Need



Our staff is ready to help answer any questions you have about how to access the services of your community. Please reach out to them by phone or by email for anything you need.

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Animal Control	Noranne Nielsen, Animal Control Officer	860-487-0137 ACO@mansfieldct.org
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Parks & Recreation/ Mansfield Community Center	Jay O'Keefe, Director	860-429-3015 parks&rec@mansfieldct.org



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