

## **DIRECTOR'S NOTE**

*Recreation is a wonderful outlet that we all need to help us stay healthy and a way to reduce stress in this fast paced world. So, come on everyone! Let's get motivated and get out and do something new!! Take the time to experience life! It goes by way too fast. Please feel free to contact us should you see anything that we may have overlooked or have an idea for a new program*

*With this issue of the Recreator we are presenting to you the Fall Season of programs. We hope that you take advantage of some of the opportunities listed here.*

*Take pause and look around, the world holds many wonderful sights and experiences. We look forward to serving you and planning the many opportunities in our booklet. Visit our website at [www.madisonct.org/recreation](http://www.madisonct.org/recreation)*

Scot A. Erskine CPRE  
Director of Recreation

## **BEACH AND RECREATION COMMISSION**

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Barbara Sabiston, After School Program Coordinator

## **LOCATION OF DEPARTMENT**

**To serve you our office hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and we are located at the Town Campus in Town Hall, 8 Campus Drive, Madison. Our telephone number is 203-245-5623.**

**Offices will be closed on the following dates:**

**9/5, 10/10, 11/11, 11/24, 11/25, 12/23, 12/26, 1/2, 1/16, 2/20**

## **DEPARTMENT MISSION STATEMENT**

**S**trive to employ and retain an outstanding workforce of professionals and trained volunteers and obtain cooperative utilization of community resources.

**P**rovide leadership and vision by monitoring trends, evaluating services, and designing for the future.

**I**mprove the community by providing equal accessibility to all citizens, bringing people together, and building positive relationships among a diverse population.

**C**reate an environment that develops the mind and body by combining recreational, natural, and cultural resource principles while instilling values and responsibilities promoting good citizenship and leadership skills.

**E**nsure a safe and well-maintained leisure service delivery system that will improve and enrich the community through diverse programs and services within available resources.

## Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

The Town of Madison does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, or activities. The Town of Madison does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its hiring or employment practices. Questions, concerns, complaints, or requests for additional information regarding the ADA may be forwarded to Madison ADA Coordinator:

**Manager of Human Resources**  
**Town of Madison,**  
**8 Campus Drive, Madison, CT 06443**  
**(203) 245-5603**

Individuals who need auxiliary aids for effective communication in programs and services of the Town of Madison are invited to make their needs and preferences known to the ADA Coordinator.

## DEPARTMENT POLICIES

Program schedules, fees and descriptions are as complete as possible. However, it is sometimes necessary to change instructors, dates, times, place or program content. Changes will not be made unless absolutely necessary and your understanding will be appreciated.

- Additional materials and/or equipment may be required for some programs. Please check the program's description for information on material needs.
- Please understand that we cannot run programs with insufficient enrollment. Fees listed are to cover the costs of our instructors and overhead. Classes can be canceled because of lack of enrollment. Please register early to avoid disappointment for yourself (and the instructor)!
- Only those enrolled in the programs may attend. Sorry, but "visitors/family" will not be permitted in the class rooms unless invited by the instructor.
- Children **must be** the appropriate age before or within the duration of the program.
- **Sorry, but we do not pro-rate our class fees.**
- Sorry **no phone reservations** for programs or facility rentals are accepted.
- Payments must be made in full at time of registration.
- **There will be a \$20 charge for all returned checks by bank.**

## Cancellations/Postponements

In the event of inclement weather and you are questioning whether a class is being held or not, please tune in to WELI 960AM, KC 101 FM, WTNH Channel 8 and WFSB Channel 3. We will also place cancellations on our weather information hotline: 203-245-5600 – ext. 7411.

## REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

Rolling Admission – Registrations will be taken on a space availability basis and on a first-come, first served basis. We accept cash, check and now credit cards (MasterCard, Visa and Discover) for your convenience.

Remember to complete the registration form in its entirety and use additional paper if necessary. When you receive your receipts, look them over carefully and notify the office immediately if an error has been made. Thank you for your cooperation.

## OUT-OF-TOWN PARTICIPATION IN PROGRAMS AND TRIPS

Registrations will be accepted before start of program if space is available. There is an additional charge of \$5 for programs costing \$20 or less; and a \$10 additional charge for programs costing more than \$20. These charges do not apply to Bauer Park or Rockland Preserve programs.

## TO REGISTER ON-LINE

Visit our website at [www.madisonct.org](http://www.madisonct.org) and click on Beach and Recreation Department link. New visitors to our site will be asked to complete certain information and submitted to our secure servers once approved an email will be sent with a username and password to enter the site. This may take a day or two (especially on a weekend) so please do this well in advance of any programs starting date in order for you to be able to register in time. For your convenience, registrations are now accepted 24 hours a day. – Master Card, Visa, Discover are now being accepted both in person and on-line.

## PRICING

In response to the current economic climate we offer a quantity discount on some of our programs. All registrations must be from the same immediate family household and for the same program and session. Some exceptions exist such as for trips, special events and programs. The third person is discounted 50% after the first two full price registrations. We value your participation in our programming and thank you for your continued patronage.

## TO REGISTER BY MAIL

Please state name, address, phone number, and program title and program number. Give parental permission for children under age 18.

Make check payable to TOWN OF MADISON and mail to:

Town of Madison  
Beach and Recreation Department  
8 Campus Drive, Madison, CT 06443

**Check our website often for program updates. We are adding new programs every day and they are not always in our brochure and occasionally program information changes.**

## REFUND POLICY

Since programs are generally self-supporting and commitments need to be made to instructors and staff, the following is the Department's refund policy. Before you send in your registration, **please read this policy.**

- To avoid classes being cancelled at the last minute due to low enrollment, refund requests must be made one week (7 working days) in writing before the scheduled starting day of the program.
- A \$10 fee will be charged for all program withdrawals.
- Refunds will be given upon request for medical reasons (**doctor's note must be provided**) that occurs before and up through the first class of the program minus the \$10.00 processing fee. **Bauer Park Programs processing fees are on a sliding scale.**
- Once the decision has been made to run a particular program, **no refund** will be given.
- Refunds will be given automatically if a program is canceled due to insufficient registration or for causes beyond the control of the Department.
- Due to the need to pre-pay for tickets refunds will not be given on **trips, special events, season tickets or passes** unless a replacement is found to take your space.

**OOPS!** The department apologizes in advance for any mistake you may find in this brochure. Due to the continuous program information updates, rescheduling issues, as well as other circumstances, some information is subject to change or errors may occur. Thank you again, in advance, for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

**Program Ideas** – If you have a talent and are interested in teaching a class, for programs that we do not currently offer, send us a written proposal (no phone calls please) and we will contact if we are interested and have space availability. We will not entertain proposals for classes we already offer. **Include any certifications you may have and references. All of our instructors must be CPR/AED/FA certified.**

## **FITNESS/GYM PASSES**

This pass is for Madison Tax paying residents and required for use of the Town Campus Gym and Exercise room year-round. Release of Liability and Code of Conduct forms must be signed. Guest privileges **do not** apply to the Town Campus Gym or Fitness Room. **Replacement of all passes is \$5.00.**

Purchase at Recreation Department or by mail.

Prices for one year from date of purchase are:

Adult \$80 (Ages 21 – 59)

Youth \$20 (Ages 16 – 20)

Senior Citizen \$20 (Ages 60+)

\*Jr. Youth \$5.00 (Ages 9 (Grade 4) -15 yrs.)

**\*Does not entitle use of fitness room – only gym.**

Release of Liability and Code of Conduct forms must be signed by each participant.

### **To order passes by mail:**

1. Write names, address, phone number, and type of passes desired.
2. Enclose copy of driver's license (for proof of age) and car registration or tax bill.
3. Enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.
4. Make checks payable to: Town of Madison

Fitness Room or gym may be closed when classes are in session. Check schedule at gymnasium office for the most up to date schedule. Fitness room equipment maintenance is contract with an outside Equipment Service firm. We make every effort to report repair issues to this company for their prompt service. We ask for your patience during these times.

### **Gym/Fitness Room Fall/Winter Hours - Effective 9/6/16**

Monday through Friday 7:30am – 7:45pm      Saturdays 9am-11:45am

### **Effective Dec. 3, 2016 through Feb. 11, 2017**

No Saturday morning Gym Hours.      Fitness room will be open 9-11:45am.

### **Town Campus Gym Rules**

- Must have own pass
- Shirts and shoes must be worn at all times.
- No Food or Drink in the Gym
- Adults that want to observe/participate in gym activities with their child(children) must also have a valid recreation pass.
- Children in grade 3 and under must be accompanied by a pass holding parent/legal guardian.

**\*\*Dance Studio is for Recreation Department Programs only.**

**Not for use by Recreation Pass Holders or General Public.**



## **Before & After School Program**

Barbara Sabiston -Coordinator

Registration will be on going at the Recreation Department office. Any questions call 203-245-5624

### **Before School Program Grades K - 4**

7:00am until school starts at Island Ave., Ryerson, and Jeffrey School

**No Before School at Brown School.**

### **After School Program Grades K - 6**

Dismissal time until 6:00 pm at Island Ave., Ryerson, Jeffrey and Brown schools.

#### **Registration fees:**

After School/Before School

\$25/child, \$40/family plus monthly fee

#### **Registration Drop-In Fee**

\$28/child, \$45/family – plus daily \$5.75 hr. charge (\*Pre-paid Drop-In Pass)

**\*Drop-In Program:** 30 Hour Pass Fee: \$174.00

15 Hour Pass Fee: \$ 91.00

### **Monthly Rates - Jeffrey, Ryerson, Island Ave. and Brown sites**

#### **After School Fees:**

5 days per week \$197.00

4 days per week \$159.00

3 days per week \$118.00

2 days per week \$ 83.00

1 day per week \$ 46.00

#### **Before School Fees:**

5 days per week \$115.00

4 days per week \$ 95.00

3 days per week \$ 74.00

2 days per week \$ 52.00

1 day per week \$ 31.00

#### **Brown - After School**

5 days per week \$199.00

4 days per week \$161.00

3 days per week \$120.00

2 days per week \$ 85.00

1 day per week \$ 48.00

## **Day Trips for School Vacation Days- For Ages 5-12**

Day trips during days off from school. Students may be dropped off as early as 7:00am and must be picked up by 6:00 pm. The dates, fees and trips are listed below. Students must bring a lunch (unless otherwise indicated) – snacks provided. If minimum number is not met, the field trip will be cancelled, but the camp day will run. Trips subject to change. **No refunds** will be given due to nature of program unless a doctor's note is provided (minus a \$10.00 processing fee).

### **Monday, October 3 – Fee \$48**

Launch Trampoline Park, Hartford CT

Start/End Day at Town Campus Gym

Jump away and have a ball on the trampolines!

### **Program #241601A**

Lunch and Snacks are provided today.

Bus leaves for trip at 9:00 am.

### **Monday, October 10th – Fee \$48**

Nomads Adventure Quest, South Windsor, CT

We stay on site all day today in the Town Campus Gym

### **Program #241602A**

Lunch and snack are provided today.

Bus leaves for trip at 9:00 am.

### **Tuesday October 11th – Fee \$48**

CT Sportsplex, North Branford, CT

We start and end this day in the Town Campus gym.

### **Program #241603A**

Lunch and Snacks are provided today.

Bus leaves for trip at 9:00 am.

### **Wednesday October 12th – Fee \$48**

Laser Quest, Newington, CT

We start and end this day in the Town Campus gym.

### **Program #241604A**

Lunch and Snacks are provided today.

Bus leaves for trip at 9:00 am.

# **Programs for Young Children**

## **MINI-EXPLORERS**

*Come join in the fun of exploring! We will learn about nature and science through activities such as hiking, singing, games, reading and making crafts. For preschoolers ages 3-5, accompanied by an adult. (Adults do not pay). Indoor/outdoor programs – dress for the weather. Programs held at the Bauer Park classroom and property. All Mini-Explorers are from 10:00 to 11:30 am. All cost \$12 per child. Adults are free. Instructor: Donna Dione*

## **Are Crabs Really Crabby? - Friday, 9/9 – Program #235702A**

How many legs do crabs have, what direction do crabs walk, which crab isn't a crab, and are crabs really crabby? Discover the answers to all your crab questions as we learn many fascinating facts about these ocean creatures. Participants will also have the chance to meet a crab up close.

## **September Stroll – Friday, 9/23 – Program #235701A**

Enjoy a stroll on the Bauer Park trails and search for some of the critters that live in the meadow and forest. Along the way, so some fun activities and games that will help us learn more about the Park habitats, plants and animals. Make a nature print and decorate its frame using some of the objects you will find on the trail.

## **Wild Colors – Friday, 10/14 – Program #235703A**

Autumn is a season known for its beautiful colors. Discover why color is important to plants and animals and then go outside on a “rainbow” scavenger hunt. Participants will also make a “colorful” craft.

## **Fall Flyers - Friday, 10/28 – Program #235704A**

People often associate bats with the fall season even though they've been busy all summer long. Join us to discover some intriguing facts about bats and dispel a few myths along the way. Play a game to learn how sound helps bats fly and make a “batty” craft.

## **Digging Dinosaurs - Friday, 11/11 - Program #235706A**

Become a paleontologist and dig for “fossils” along with making your own to take home. Learn some dinosaur facts like how big they might have been, how they moved, and how to tell the plant-eaters from the meat-eaters.

## **Fascinating Fishes - Friday, 12/9 - Program #235707A**

Fish have all sorts of adaptations to help them survive in their aquatic environments. Learn about some cool ways that fish eat, protect themselves and maneuver through their habitats. Make a festive holiday fish to take home. Entire class will take place inside.

## **Cool Nights – Friday, 1/13 – Program #335703A**

The crisp clear nights of winter are a great time for viewing the night sky. Hear how some “creatures” ended up among the stars and create your own constellation. Eat your way through the phases of the moon and make craters in the “moon sand”. Entire class will take place inside.

## **Birds of Winter - Friday, 1/27 - Program #335703A**

Discover how birds from chickadees to penguins are adapted to survive in the snow and cold. After going on a winter bird search, make a special treat to take home for the birds in your yard. Bring your binoculars!

## **Animal Tracks and Traces- Friday, 2/10 - Program #335704A**

While it may seem too cold for any living creature to survive outside in February, many animals are scurrying all around our northern forests and fields. Go on a mystery hunt for tracks and other signs of winter animals venturing out in the snow. Create a fun craft to help you remember the tracks you saw.

## **It's Sugaring Time! - Friday, 2/24 - Program #335705A**

Maple trees are waking up as hints of spring arrive at Bauer Park. Learn how to tap the trees and then how to collect the sap to turn it into syrup. Make a craft to remind you of how special maple trees are.

## **Roots To Fruits (7 Week Program) Ages 4 and up**

Thursdays, September 15 – October 27      Time: 4:00-5:30 p.m.      Fee: \$120      Program # 235714A  
Using the Bauer Farming Project's organic vegetable garden as an outdoor classroom, participants will observe and engage with the natural world through a variety of activities including planting, harvesting, tasting and sharing the fruits of our labor. This is a drop off program. Be prepared to hike outside, bring a water bottle and a snack. Be advised: We will be tasting items from the garden and preparing foods (please make teachers aware of allergies or dietary restrictions).  
Instructors: Sue Stark and Shari Lariviere

- Week 1: Intro to organic gardening
- Week 2: Soils in the organic garden
- Week 3: Plants in the organic garden
- Week 4: Pollinators in the organic garden
- Week 5: Biodiversity in the organic garden
- Week 6: Water in the organic garden
- Week 7: Food and the community

### **Make a Magical Miniature Garden - Ages 6-12**

Saturday, October 1      Time: 1:00-3:00.      Fee: \$47 per person      Program #231716A  
Create a magical miniature windowsill garden. All tools and supplies will be provided, just bring your imagination. This is a drop off program.      Instructors: Sue Stark and Shari Lariviere

### **Build a Bat House - Ages 10 to Adult**

Saturday, October 22      Time: 1:00-3:00 p.m.      Fee: \$47      Program #231717A  
Participants will assemble a bat house kit that meets the Bat Conservation International certification standards. We'll also discuss strategies for successfully attracting bats. All tools and supplies will be provided. If you have questions about this program please email Carrie at [gazdac@madisonct.org](mailto:gazdac@madisonct.org)      Instructors: Shari Lariviere and Sue Stark

### **"Little Athletes" Multi Sports For Ages 3 to 5**

If your child enjoys sports or wants to try new sports, this is the program for you. Your child will have fun learning, and playing sports that might include flag football, soccer, baseball, tennis, basketball, golf, kickball, team handball and others. Age appropriate sports will be played. Wear sneakers and bring a water bottle. **Program Held at the Town Campus Lower Field or in gym on rainy days.**

Dates: 9/20 to 11/8	Day: Tuesdays	Time: 2:00 to 2:45 pm	Fee: \$115	Program #235303A
Dates: 9/24 to 11/19 (skip 10/8)	Day: Saturdays	Time: 9:00 to 9:45 am	Fee: \$115	Program #235303B



### **Jr. Kickers Soccer Ages 3 to 5 with Shoreline Soccer**

With more basic options now at their disposal our next task is to couple the child's blossoming physical and social confidence with a greater grasp of how to read the beautiful game. Shielding, first touch play and defensive positioning are all classic examples of simple skills that over time will become second nature. Add to this memory improvement, problem solving and team awareness and your child will be quickly demonstrating all the hallmarks of a well-rounded individual with a wider appreciation of team play. Program is instructed by the Ben Joiner, Ginger English and their Staff. **All programs meet at the Lower Field, or the gym in bad weather.**

<u>Wednesday Soccer</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Program #</u>	<u>Fee</u>
September 21 through November 9	2:00 to 2:45 pm	#231302A	\$115
<u>Thursday Soccer</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Program #</u>	<u>Fee</u>
September 22 through November 10	2:00 to 2:45 pm	#231302B	\$115
<u>Saturday Soccer - 9:00 to 9:45 am</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Program #</u>	<u>Fee</u>
September 24 through November 19	9:00 to 9:45 am	#231302C	\$115 (skip 10/8)
<u>Sunday Soccer (meets in the Town Campus Gym)</u>			
November 20 to January 29	11:00 to 11:45 am	#231302F	\$115 (skip 11/27, 12/25, 1/1)
February 5 to March 26	11:00 to 11:45 am	#331303A	\$115

**Preschool Sprouts – (7 Week Program) Ages 3-6. Children must be toilet-trained.**

Tuesdays, Sept. 13 – Nov. 1 (no class 10/11) Time: 10:00 - 12:00 Fee: \$155 Program #235713A  
 Sprouts will use the Bauer Farming Project's organic vegetable garden as an outdoor classroom to observe as well as engage with nature. Participants will plant, harvest, taste and share the fruits of their labor. A portion of each class will be dedicated to harvesting food from the garden for donation to the Madison Food Pantry. Each class will consist of story time, nature journaling, hiking, crafts, songs, gardening, and lots of fun. This is a drop off program. Please have children prepared to hike outside, bring a water bottle and a snack. Be advised: We will be tasting items from the garden and preparing foods (please make teachers aware of allergies or dietary restrictions).  
 Instructors: Shari Lariviere and Sue Stark

**Programs for Youth**

**Applied Engineering with LEGO® - For children in grades 3 to 6.**

Step up to the next level with this more advanced LEGO® TECHNIC class! Continuing to use the versatility and ingenuity LEGO® brings, young engineers will use LEGO®, as well as other teaching mediums, to expand their understanding of more advanced, complex engineering concepts and terminology. Class held at the Surf Club building side rooms.  
 Fridays, Oct. 7 to Dec. 9 (no class 11/18 & 11:25) Time: 4:00 to 6:00 pm Fee: \$162 Program #231718A

**Junior Tennis Lessons**

Instructor: Chris Zawadski. For boys and girls age 5 to 9 years. There will be ten 45 minute classes held Tuesday and Wednesdays at the Town Campus Tennis Courts. Classes missed due to bad weather will be added to the end of the session.

**Weather Cancellation Hot Line number 245-5600 ext.7411.**

**Days: Tues. & Wed. Dates: Sept. 6 – Oct. 5**

Prog. # 221039 A Time: 4:00-4:45 pm \$95.00  
 Prog. # 221039 B Time: 4:45-5:30 pm \$95.00

**Held: Town Camps Courts**

**Oceanology Club – Wednesdays, 9/14 to 11/9 (skip 9/28) – Program #231713A**

Investigate our local marine environment in this science club for middle school students. We'll explore a variety of coastal ecosystems – from sandy beaches and salt marshes, to tide pools and rocky shores. Students will collect and analyze data, learn to identify local species, and assess human impacts on Long Island Sound. We'll also monitor invasive crab populations as citizen scientists. On rainy days, we'll do indoor activities, such as fish printing, microscopic studies or dissections. The club schedule with meeting locations will be emailed to parents. Students should have a serious interest in math, science and the marine environment. For ages 10 to 14 (students currently in grades 5 to 8). Instructor: Julie Ainsworth. Program meets from 3:30 to 5:30 pm. Program Fee: \$122

**Cool-ology STEM based programs with Instructor Claudia Esposito.** Join Cool-ology for fast paced, educational, STEM challenges! Children will utilize the engineering design process to design and create fun, creative and useful contraptions sure to thrill and delight! All programs below are for ages 7 to 10 and cost \$15 each.

**Lego Launchers & Popsicle Bridges**

Tuesday, October 11 Time: 1:00-3:00 p.m. Program #231714A

**Unsinkable Ships & Baby Life Jackets**

Tuesday, November 8 Time: 10:00.-12:00 Program #231715A

**Bucket Towers & Water Slides**

Thursday, February 2 Time: 2:00-4:00 Program #331712A

**Brown Pond Project Tuesdays**

The POND (Providing Outdoor Nature Discoveries) Project is a weekly after-school club for fifth and sixth grader aspiring naturalists at Brown School. Each year, POND kids continue the process of exploring and enhancing the schoolyard habitat, learning about nature in general, and sharing their discoveries about this great natural resource, with the school community. Activities might include journaling, pond sampling, plant identification, trail building, birdwatching, display making and tracking, just to name a few, every day is different. Willingness and ability to sit and listen is a **must**. POND is an indoor/outdoor program that runs for the entire academic year by semester, register for each semester separately. Brown School students are eligible to participate. For more information go to [www.sites.google.com/brownpondproject](http://www.sites.google.com/brownpondproject). This program fills up quickly, waitlisted students will be contacted if and only if a spot becomes available.

\*\*If you register for semester 1 only, there is no guarantee that there will be space available in semester 2 as registration is open for both simultaneously. Program will cancel if minimum numbers are not met.

Time: 3:00 to 5:00 pm.

**Semester 1 Program #231707A**

Tuesdays Dates: September 13 to December 20 (Skip 10/11 and 11/8) Fee: \$169

**Semester 2 Program #231707B**

Tuesdays Dates: February 7 to May 30 (Skip 2/14, 2/21, 4/11 and 5/16) Fee: \$169

**Pond Project II**

The POND Project II is an extension of the Brown School POND Project, and is open to all Polson Middle School students. Students walk together, after school, from Polson to Bauer Park, which serves as a laboratory, classroom and base of exploration. Activities run the gamut from wetlands study to hiking the nearby Cockaponset trails to planting wildlife gardens – or whatever presents as relevant, engaging and suitable to the group and outdoor conditions at the time. Each year also incorporates a community service project of the group's choosing. The program is very student-directed and very interdisciplinary, and therefore, requires participants to be genuinely motivated, open-minded and adventurous about nature study. PPII is an indoor/outdoor program that runs for the entire academic year by semester, register for each semester separately. \*If you only register for semester 1, there is no guarantee that space will be available for semester 2. Instructor: Pam Meier

**Program #231712A**

Fridays Dates: September 9 to December 16 (skip 11/25) Fee: \$182

**Program #231712B**

Fridays Dates: February 3 to May 26 (Skip 3/10, 4/7 and 4/14) Fee: \$182

**Shoreline Soccer Futsal Soccer Sundays**

Futsal is a quick style of soccer popular in Brazil and in Europe. The essence of the Brazilian style is the efficiency with split second improvisation, creativity and technique. Played on a small, indoor field with a smaller, heavier ball, our program emphasizes ball control and precise passing. Taught in an environment that focuses on building skills, confidence and encouraging creativity while, enhancing a player's passion for the game. Held in the Town Campus Gym.

**Eight Week Programs**

**Session 1: November 20 to January 29 (skip 11/27, 12/25, 1/1)**

12:00 - 1:00pm	Ages 5 to 7	#231304A
1:00 to 2:00 pm	Ages 8 to 10	#231304B
2:00 to 3:00 pm	Ages 10 to 12	#231304C
3:00 to 4:00 pm	Ages 12 to 14	#231304D
4:00 to 5:00 pm	High School Age	#231304E

Fee: \$155 Residents, \$165 Non-Residents

**Session 2: February 5 to March 26**

12:00 - 1:00pm	Ages 5 to 7	#331304A
1:00 to 2:00 pm	Ages 8 to 10	#331304B
2:00 to 3:00 pm	Ages 10 to 12	#331304C
3:00 to 4:00 pm	Ages 12 to 14	#331304D
4:00 to 5:00 pm	High School Age	#331304E

Fee: \$155 Residents, \$165 Non-Residents

**16 Week Session (both 8's combined)**

In order to receive discount, **you must register for the combined program at the time of registration.** You cannot receive discount if you register for 1<sup>st</sup> session and then later register for 2<sup>nd</sup> session. **NO EXCEPTIONS**

**Dates: November 20 to March 26 (skip 11/27, 12/25, 1/1)**

12:00 to 1:00	Age 5 to 7	#301305A
1:00 to 2:00 pm	Ages 8 to 10	#301305B
2:00 to 3:00 pm	Ages 10 to 12	#301305C
3:00 to 4:00 pm	Ages 12 to 14	#301305D
4:00 to 5:00 pm	High School Age	#301305E

Fee: \$225 Residents, \$235 Non-Residents

**Baby Sitting Classes** (Class size Limited)

The Women's Club of Madison, in coordination with the Madison Beach & Recreation Department, sponsors a four-week babysitting seminar. This how-to babysitting class is for boys and girls ages 11 thru 13. Students **MUST** attend all classes in order to receive a certificate. **No use of Electronic devices allowed during class. These items will be taken and returned after class.** **Held at Polson School Cafeteria**

Prog.# 321701 A      Days: Wednesdays      Dates: 3/1, 8, 15, 22      Time: 6:30pm-8:00pm  
 Ages: Girls and Boys ages 11-13      Fee: \$40 (Reinvested towards Madison needs)

**SKI BUS PROGRAM**

This program is for boys and girls in grades 7 to 12. Ski or snowboard for 5 weeks after school. Various package options available and vary from lift only to rental and lesson packages. We will be back at Mount Southington this year. Registration begins September 15, 2016 and ends December 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm. Forms will be available for download on our website beginning September 15th. Go to [Madisonct.org](http://Madisonct.org), select Beach and Recreation from the drop down menu, and go to the forms page to download the forms. You can also stop in our office to register. If you pay online you then need to download the forms from our website under the forms tab. You are not considered registered without all the necessary documents filled out and submitted with payment, to the Beach and Recreation Office. There are no refunds for this program once registered unless for medical reason in which a doctor's note is presented stating that they can no longer participate. With that, you will get a partial refund. We ski on Thursday nights from January 19<sup>th</sup> to February 16th. If we miss a date due to rain or school being cancelled, every attempt will be made to make up the date at the end of the program or you can pick up the ticket for the missed date and go on your own. If you miss dates due to your own schedule, you can pick up the tickets and use them on your own as well. We use motor coach transportation for this program. The rental of equipment from Mount Southington is the most efficient way to participate in ski bus as you pick it up when you arrive there and return it before you leave. You do not need to carry, drop off, or worry about equipment. We are not responsible for lost, stolen or damaged equipment. **The use of helmets is strongly encouraged by Mount Southington and Madison Beach and Recreation. This decision is between parents and children.** Keep in mind that we cannot enforce the wearing of helmets as that would be impossible for us to do. Detailed information will also be provided after registration which will answer logistical/behavior/general questions/issues for this program. The Bus Only Option is available for those who have season tickets and all ski bus rules apply. You still have to register and complete paperwork. Wait listed participants will be contacted in order of wait list if and when a spot opens up.

Ski Lift Only	Program #331705A	\$235	
<b>Snowboard Lift Only</b>	<b>Program #331705B</b>	<b>\$235</b>	
Ski Lift & Lesson	Program #331706A	\$275	
<b>Snowboard Lift &amp; Lesson</b>	<b>Program #331706B</b>	<b>\$275</b>	
Ski Lift & Rental	Program #331707A	\$305	
<b>Snowboard Lift &amp; Rental</b>	<b>Program #331707B</b>	<b>\$305</b>	
Ski Package (Lift/Lesson & Rental)	Program #331708A	\$335	
<b>Snowboard Package (Lift, Lesson &amp; Rental)</b>	<b>Program #331708B</b>	<b>\$335</b>	
Bus Only Option	Program #331709A	\$100	

## **Beach & Rec. Youth Basketball League & \*SCORE Hoop Clinic** **2016-17 REGISTRATION**

**Separate Leagues for Boys and Girls, grades 3 – 8**

**Registration Fee: \$150.00 received before Sept. 23, 2016. After Sept. 23, 2016 Fee: \$165.00**

- If you want to guarantee playing in this league it is better to register early.
- If you want to try-out for travel ball you still need to register here so you will have a fall-back if you don't make the team.

**REGISTRATION** – is available On-Line. If you can't register this way, that means that something is missing in your family's profile like birthdate or grade. You will need to correct that first before you can register.

**You can visit:** [https://connect001.rectrac.com/wbws/ctmadison\\_1.wsc/wbsplash.html](https://connect001.rectrac.com/wbws/ctmadison_1.wsc/wbsplash.html) to connect with the on-line option or visit the Beach and Recreation Office - 8:30 AM TO 4:00 PM. Monday-Friday or **\*Drop-off registration** with payment (Check only) after 4:00 pm at Town Campus Gym until 8:00 pm. Will process next day.

**NEW REGISTRANTS ONLY** - You must present a copy of your child's birth certificate at registration.

**Registration is open up until Sept. 23. After Sept. 23, division cap will be determined and register will be taken on a first come, first serve until the division is full. Once division is full, registration will only be taken if someone cancels out.**

**Practice:** November 1, 2016 – February 10, 2017

**Games:** Saturdays starting Dec. 3, 2016 – Feb. 11, 2017

**No Games** on December 24, 31, 2016

**No End of Season Tournament included with this program.**

**\*SCORE Hoop Clinics**, under the direction of Lou Brookins is the quickest 1st step to developing more complete players. Lou is one of Quinnipiac University's veterans of basketball and has excelled on the NCAA Division I college level as well as competed against over a dozen of some of today's top NBA players.

### **INTERESTED IN COACHING??**

Coaching application available on our website, at Beach & Rec office and Town campus Gym.

Must be completed before you are eligible to be considered a coach.

### **Kindergarten Basketball Clinic**

Instructed by Future Stars Academy, this is a Kindergarten only clinic for boys and girls. Clinic will cover ball handling, dribbling, shooting, passing and lay-ups. There will be controlled scrimmaging. All players have equal play, emphasizing rules and teamwork. Bring sneakers.

Prog. # 321302 A      Days: Saturdays      Dates: 1/7 - 2/25 skip 2/18      Time: TBD pm      Fee: \$90.00

### **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Basketball Clinic**

Instructed by Future Stars Academy, for boys and girls in grades 1 & 2. This clinic will cover ball handling, dribbling, Shooting, passing and lay-ups. There will be controlled scrimmaging. All players have equal play, emphasizing rules and teamwork. Bring sneakers.

Prog. # 321303 A      Days: Saturdays      Dates: 1/7 - 2/25 skip 2/18      Time: TBD pm      Fee: \$90.00

# Adult Programs

## Jazzercise

Instructed by Carol Dyson, RN, Certified Jazzercise Instructor or Certified Jazzercise Instructor. Come and enjoy the #1 dance fitness program in the world. Class includes a 45-minute cardio workout and 15 minutes of muscle toning. Designed to boost cardiovascular endurance, strength and flexibility. Jazzercise offers a fusion of jazz dance, resistance training, Pilates, yoga and kick boxing. You can now mix and match classes for one price. Held at Surf Club.

### Monday thru Saturday 9-10:00 am

### Tuesday and Thursday 6:30-7:30 pm.

Prog. # 224020 A	Dates: 9/1 – 10/31		\$90.00
Prog. # 224020 B	Dates: 11/1 – 12/30	(no 24,25,26,12/23,24,26)	\$90.00
Prog. # 324020 A	Dates: 1/3 - 2/28	(1/16, 2/20)	\$90.00
Prog. # 424020 A	Dates: 3/1 – 4/29		\$90.00
Prog. # 424020 B	Dates: 5/1 – 6/30	(no 5/27, 29)	\$90.00

## About Boating Safety

Learn boating Safety at a USCG Basic Boating Course. This is a two day 4 hours each class to fulfill requirements for Connecticut Boating Certification. Upon completion of test you will be qualified for a Connecticut Personal Watercraft Certificate. Topics covered are Know your boat, before you get underway, a general introduction to navigating the waterways, general description of operating your boat, legal requirements of boating, Boating emergencies what to do, Enjoying your boat.

**Prog. 224070 C**      **Dates: 11/15 & 11/22**      **Days: Tuesday**      **Time: 5:30 – 9:30 pm**      **Fee: \$65.00**  
**Held: Memorial Town Hall Upper Level**

## Adult Tennis Lessons

Instructor: Chris Zawadski. There will be five 1 hour classes held Tuesdays at the Town Campus Tennis Courts. Classes missed due to bad weather will be added to the end of the session.

**Weather Cancellation Hot Line number 245-5600 ext.7411.**

Prog. # 222031 A	Dates: Sept. 6 – Oct. 4	Days: Tues.	Time: 5:30-6:30 pm	Fee: \$80.00
Prog. # 222031 B	Dates: Sept. 7 – Oct. 5	Days: Wed.	Time: 5:30-6:30 pm	Fee: \$80.00

**Held: Town Campus Courts**

## Mindful Mat Pilates

Instructed by Jennifer McManus RN, Certified Exercise Specialist ACSM, and Certified Pilates Instructor. A series of specific movements designed to improve your strength and flexibility and reshape your body. Pilates strengthens your core abdominal and back muscles, increases flexibility and improves posture. The non-impact exercise eliminates stress on joints and provides a total body workout that is safe and effective for all ages. Exercises will be leveled to meet individual needs (beginner, intermediate). Intermediate sessions are for individuals who have had prior Pilate's experience. All classes held at the Town Campus Gym/Aerobics Room. **Please bring a mat and towel.** All classes meet in the TC Gym Dance Studio.

### Monday Class

Dates: Sept. 12 to Oct. 31 (skip 10/10)  
Time: 6:30 to 7:30 pm  
Level: Beg/Inter  
Fee: \$84  
Program #232201A

### Wednesday Class

Dates: Sept. 7 to Oct. 26  
Time: 8:30 to 9:30 am  
Level: Inter/Adv.  
Fee: \$96  
Program #232202A

## **C.O.R.E = TOTAL BODY FITNESS**

This class incorporates Pilates principles into a total body workout to improve your core strength, build and tone muscles and improve your balance and overall fitness. This class will increase lean muscle mass which will improve metabolism, increase calorie burning, improve overall strength and joint stability. This total body strengthening class will utilize weight, several sizes, large and small ball and a resistance band to create a challenging and unique fitness experience. Each class will include a warm up and a cool down. Each student will need a large ball. Weights, bands and small balls will be provided for each student. Students will also need to bring a towel and a mat. Instructor: Jennifer McManus, RN, certified Pilates instructor and certified Exercise Specialist ACSM. ***These classes meet at the Memorial Town Hall Upper Level except for October 8<sup>th</sup> which meets at the Town Campus Gym.***

### **Thursday Evening Class**

Dates: Sept. 8 to Oct.27

Time: 5:45 to 6:45 pm

Level: Inter/Adv Fee: \$96

Program #232203A

### **☺ Painting Studio: Program**

Painting studio for intermediate and advanced artists using any medium. No formal instruction provided. Periodic group critiques. Artists must provide their own supplies and equipment.

### **Tuesdays 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Held: Memorial Town Hall Upper**

Prog. # 224001 A	Dates: Sept. 6 – Oct. 25	8 weeks	Fee: \$48.00
Prog. # 224001 B	Dates: Nov. 1 – Dec. 20	8 weeks	Fee: \$48.00
Prog. # 324001 A	Dates: Jan. 10 – Feb. 28	8 weeks	Fee: \$48.00
Prog. # 424001 A	Dates: Mar. 7 – Apr. 25	8 weeks	Fee: \$48.00
Prog. # 424001 B	Dates: May 2 – June 20	8 weeks	Fee: \$48.00

### **☺ Watercolor Studio**

Class monitor is John Copelin or Joan McPherson.

Morning painting time for congenial group of experienced watercolor artists. No formal instruction. Group critique begins each session. Artists provide own supplies and inspiration.

### **Wednesday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm Held: Memorial Town Hall Upper**

Prog. # 224000 A	Dates: Sept. 7 – Dec.14	15 weeks	Fee: \$90.00
Prog. # 224000 B	Dates: Jan. 4 – Mar. 29	13 weeks	Fee: \$78.00
Prog. # 224000 C	Dates: Apr. 5 – June 21	12 weeks	Fee: \$72.00

## **The Golf Center at Lyman Orchards** **2016 Schedule of Classes**

(make-up days)

These classes are designed for golfers that have never played in a number of years. In 5 one hour lessons, our coaches will cover everything you need to know about your first or next round of golf. Classes will cover the basics of the golf swing, putting, short game techniques, rules and etiquette. The coaches will also discuss what you need to golf, therefore, it is recommended that you do not go out and buy clubs until you have started this class. You will be given a static club fitting which will allow the coach to make a recommendation as to which clubs to buy. **Fee: \$99 each session. All sessions cover the same material.**

### **Golf Fore Women 101 Fall Sessions**

Monday, September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10 (October 17) at 10am

Monday, September 12, 19, 26, October 3, 10 (October 17) at 5:15pm

Tuesday, September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11 (October 18) at 4pm

Wednesday, September 14, 21, 28, October 5, 12 (October 19) at 5:15pm

Thursday, September 15, 22, 29, October 6, 13 (October 20) at 12pm

Saturday, September 17, 24, October 1, 8, 15 (October 22) at 10am

Program #232309A

Program #232309B

Program #232309C

Program #232309D

Program #232309E

Program #232309F

### **Men's Playing Through the Front 9**

Sunday, Sept. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, (Oct. 16) @ 11AM  
Monday, Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 17, (Oct. 24) @ 5PM  
Thursday, Sept 8, 15, 22, 29, Oct. 6, (Oct. 13) @ 10AM

Program #232311A  
Program #232311B  
Program #232311C

### **UNVEIL THE SECRETS OF TREES IN WINTER: THE BEAUTY OF TWIGS AND BUDS**

Learn the tricks of identifying trees in winter by their bark and growth form in the forest. Then, come inside to explore the beauty of their twigs and buds. These intricate structures tell the story of a tree's past and foretell its burst into lush green life in the spring. This class will change how you see trees and connect you with their marvels. An indoor-outdoor program. Dress for the weather and a short easy walk.

For adults and high school students. Instructor: Susannah Graedel

Sunday, 2/19 Time: 1:00-3:00 p.m. Fee: \$10 per person Program #332701A

### **Men's Senior Basketball Program –#233301A**

On Tuesday and Thursday mornings, from October to April, the Town Campus gym is designated for our senior men's basketball program. You must be age 60 and older to play. Madison Residents and Non-Residents must purchase a pass to play during this designated time. Passes cannot be purchased online but must be purchased in the office or by mail as a special card will be given for admittance to play. Teams are formed based on who shows up each morning. Play begins at 9:00 am but our office is open at 8:30 if you need to purchase a pass before you go to the gym.

Dates: 10/18 to 4/27 Days: Tuesday and Thursdays Time: 9:00 to 11:00 am

Resident Fee: \$20, Non-Resident Fee: \$30.00 Skip dates as of 11/24, 2/21, 4/11, 4/13

## **Family Fun Programs and Activities**

### **LOCAL OWLS**

Owls are amazing birds of prey. Indoors, participants will learn about their haunts and habits. Before swallowing their prey, owls separate out what they can't digest and toss the pellet out of their roost. By dissecting these sterilized pellets and assembling the bones found in them we will discover what they eat. Then, the group will take owl calls outside to see if we can get our local owls to answer back. Ages 5 and older. Parents must accompany children and must be paid.

Instructor: Susannah Graedel

Sunday, 1/22 Time: 3:30-5:30 pm Fee: \$10 per person Program #334701A Held at Bauer Park

### **FAMILY MAPLE SUGARING**

The Bauer farmhouse is framed by two large sugar maples, trees that the Bauer brothers may have used to make maple syrup. Come and learn how maple syrup is made, from tree to table. We'll tap some of Bauer Park's maple trees, taste the sap, and learn how to turn it into syrup (which we'll also taste!). Information on where to acquire sugaring supplies, and when, where and how to tap the maple trees in your own yard will be provided. Boots are recommended as we'll be hiking into the woods to tap the trees. For ages 3 and older. Everyone must pay to attend. (Adults and children)

Sunday, 2/26 Time: 2:30 to 4:00 pm Fee: \$5 per person Program #334702A Held at Bauer Park

### **Autumn Moonlight Walk- Program #234502A**

Sunday, October 16, Begins at 7:00 p.m.

Bring a flashlight and join us for an evening stroll on the Garvan Trail at the Surf Club. As always, a bagpiper will lead the way. After the walk, refreshments will be served in the Surf Club building, and members of the Astronomical Society of New Haven will set up telescopes for viewing the moon, planets and stars in the night-time sky. Sponsored by Madison Beach & Recreation and the Madison Land Conservation Trust. No registration required.

## INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP – Program #234501A

Saturday, 9/24 (Rain date: Sunday, 9/25)

Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Join the world's largest cleanup event by participating in the 30th annual International Coastal Cleanup at the Surf Club. Each year thousands of volunteers from around the world take part in this international effort to document coastal debris and promote a cleaner environment. Last year, volunteers collected over 10,000 pounds of trash from Connecticut's coastlines. This annual event makes our beaches cleaner and removes potential deadly hazards to marine life. Along with picking up trash, we will record the types and quantities of debris removed. The Ocean Conservancy and Save the Sound will use this data to better understand what types of materials are polluting our beaches. Biodegradable trash bags, gloves, data cards, pencils and educational information will be provided. After the beach has been cleaned, we'll pull a seine net through the water to collect and learn about some of the marine life that we helped to protect.

For all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. No Registration Required. Beach Captain: Julie Ainsworth

## Bauer Harvest Festival – Saturday, October 15, 2016 – 11am-3pm

Special events scheduled include Pony rides, Hay rides, Old Fashioned games, Food, cider pressing, and more. Music by the Shoregrass Band. Free family event. Bauer Park is located at 257 Copse Road, Madison. Volunteers are still needed for this year's Harvest Festival. Planning meetings are being held throughout the year. If you are interested in becoming involved please contact Carrie Gazda, Recreation Supervisor at 203-245-5623 or by email [gazdag@madisonct.org](mailto:gazdag@madisonct.org).



## **Elm City Kennel Club Match September 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 – 4pm at Bauer Park**

**Co-sponsored with The Madison Beach and Recreation Dept.**

**Prog. # 224500 A Fee: Free**

**Calling all Dog Enthusiasts - Do you own a canine? Come and join the fun. A match is a great way to meet other dog enthusiasts, meet reputable breeders, compete in a non-intimidating atmosphere and catch a glimpse of what the world of dog showing is like. No show ring experience needed to participate. Fun for the entire family! Have your dog certified as a "Canine Good Citizen" (any dog, not just purebreds) Get grooming tips, good health care tips, Show your purebred dog in the ring with judges and win awards Or just come and enjoy, On site will be AKC Sanctioned Match, K-9 Good Citizenship Demonstrations, AKC/Kennel Club Info, Meet the Breeds, Bake Sale, Food & Fun!!!! This is a family and "dog friendly" activity**

## **Adult and Family Friendly Trips**

### **Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island & Times Square – 9/17/2016**

On this trip we will be cruising to the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island. Then we will have leisure time in Times Square. Food on your own. We leave the commuter lot on 79 at 7:30 am and we leave New York at 5:30 pm. We are sharing a bus so there may be additional stops. No refunds. \$84 adults, \$74 Children

### **Newport Playhouse Surf & Turf- 10/5/2016**

We are off to the Newport Playhouse where we will have a fabulous buffet, light comedies and an after theater cabaret. You will enjoy "Plaza Suite". Three separate stories concerning relationship issues are presented, each largely taking place in suite 719 of the Plaza Hotel in New York City. The sample buffet menu includes baked stuffed shrimp w/crab meat stuffing, angus prime rib carving station, roasted chicken, roasted red potatoes and onions, mashed sweet potatoes, fresh shrimp cocktail, glazed carrots, fresh green beans, sliced ham in pineapple glaze, Italian sausage and peppers, homemade chowder, fresh seasonal garden salad, 3 bean salad, cold beet salad, and coffee and tea all day long. We leave the commuter lot on route 79 at 7:30 am. We leave Newport at 4:00 pm. This is a share bus trip so we may have additional stops. Buffet Included. No refunds. \$136

### **Boston On Your Own – 10/15/2016**

Join us for A Day On Your Own in Boston. Visit Boston Common, the US Constitution, the Freedom Trail, the New England Aquarium, Boston Science Museum, Museum of Fine Arts or shopping, there is so much to do. You will be provided with maps and restaurant listings for your trip. Bus leaves the commuter lot on route 79 at 7:30 am and leaves Boston at 6:00 pm. We are sharing a bus so the bus may make additional stops. Lunch is on your own. No refunds. \$128

### **Boston Christmas Festival – 11/5/2016**

An annual favorite for all ages, the Boston Christmas Festival at Seaport World Trade Center is a blockbuster event for a holiday day trip. With 350 exhibitors, this award winning show is the largest arts and crafts festival in New England. It features handcrafted gifts, holiday decorations, jewelry, clothing, pottery, folk art, delicious foods to buy and sample and much, much more. Then you will enjoy leisure time at Quincy Market, one of America's most famous dining experiences. Bus leaves the commuter lot on route 79 at 8:00 am and leaves Boston at 6:00 pm. We are sharing a bus so there may be additional stops. Lunch is on your own. No refunds. \$66

### **A Day on Your Own in NYC – 11/13/2016**

Join us for A Day on Your Own in NYC, the Big Apple! We will provide maps and restaurant listings. Enjoy leisure time for shopping, sightseeing, dining, whatever you wish. Bus leaves the commuter lot on route 79 at 8:00 am and leaves NYC at 6:00 pm. We are sharing a bus so we may have multiple stops. Meals on your own. \$64

### **Kittery Maine Holiday Shopping – 11/19/2016**

This coastal town is probably best known for having some of the best outlet shopping in New England. There are over 120 Kittery outlets along a one-mile stretch of Route 1, just off I-95. Gets some holiday shopping done, check out the Kittery Trading Post if you are into outdoor recreation, visit brand name outlets. Lunch on your own. Leaving the commuter lot on route 79 at 6:30 am and leaving Kittery at 5:00 pm for return trip home. No refunds. \$69

### **Vermont Fall Foliage 10/8/2016**

Experience Vermont during the most spectacular season of the year - fall foliage! Drive along the foliage route as the leaves turn a multitude of colors. We will also board the Green Mountain Flyer for a train ride past farms, covered bridges, and rivers to see fall foliage and wildlife from a different view point. We will visit the Vermont Country Store, which has been in business for over 60 years. End the day with a wonderful dinner at the New England House in Brattleboro. Meal choices to be made when registering are Pot Roast, Roast Turkey or Herb Crusted Whitefish. Bus leaves from the route 79 commuter lot at 5:30 am and leaves Vermont for the return trip at 5:00 pm. No refunds. \$127

### **Martha's Vineyard – 9/10/16**

Beaches, bicycling, fabulous food, dazzling arts, culture, fishing, birding and so much more await you! Located just seven miles off Cape Cod, your Vineyard experience is just a short ferry ride away so explore and enjoy your island getaway! The towns on The Vineyard offer surprising diversity, each with its own character and personality. Edgartown is a seaside village of boutique shopping and pristine harbor views. Oak Bluffs has the Flying Horses Carousel, an arcade plus the history and charm of the "gingerbread" houses in the Methodist campgrounds. Vineyard Haven offers visitors a blend of both. Trip includes round trip motor coach transportation, ferry from Woods Hole to Oak Bluffs and you can chose a day on your own to explore or chose the option to have a tour with a local guide. Either way, enjoy leisure time for lunch and shopping. Trip leaves the commuter lot on route 79 at 5:00 am and leaves Martha's Vineyard at approximately 5:00 pm. No refunds. \$103 with tour, \$90 without tour

## **Montreal & Quebec – 9/2 to 9/5 2016**

A visit to Montreal starts in Old Town or Vieux-Montreal where restored 18th & 19th century architecture has been adapted for use as shops, galleries and cafes. It is where the breathtaking Notre-Dame Basilica stands as the city's spiritual heart. See the city from the top of Parc du Mont-Royal and also visit St. John Oratory. Your local guide will give you tips on nightlife and entertainment as well as restaurant suggestions. Quebec City will be buzzing like never before! Tap into the energy and discover this magnificent city with your local guide. Ride via rail from Quebec City to Montreal. See the city, the river and their history from a whole new angle. See Quebec's skyline, view the Montmorency Falls, the highest waterfalls in Quebec and cruise beneath the historic and much photographed Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac with the majestic Laurentian Mountains in the background. You will have time for shopping in Montreal and Quebec as well. Cost includes baggage, tax, & service, and tour director. Chose from single, double, triple/quad and child with adults. Single = \$1089, Double = \$725, Triple/Quad = \$705 and Child = \$479

## **Adirondack Hot Air Balloon Festival – 9/23 to 9/25 2016**

The Hot Air Balloon Festival is the oldest and largest balloon event on the east coast. This will be the 44th year of the festival. All balloon events are held weather permitting. Experience the launch from the grounds of the Floyd Bennett Memorial Airport in the Town of Queensbury. For lunch, you will board the Lac du Saint Sacrament, the largest ship on the inland waters of New York State. Enjoy lunch at noon with entertainment in the elegant dining room while cruising. You will also tour Lake George with a local guide. Sample menu includes soup du jour, two hot entrees, tossed garden salad, vegetarian entree, assorted cheeses, freshly carved deli sandwiches, assorted salads, dessert, coffee, tea and iced tea. Leaves from the commuter lot on route 79 in Madison at 7:00 am and returns at approximately 7:00 pm on Sunday. Includes baggage, tax & service, and Tour Director, 2 nights at the Clarion in Lake George, 2 breakfasts at the hotel and round trip motor coach transportation. Single = \$599, Double \$459, Triple/Quad = \$449 and Child = \$339

## **New York Botanical Gardens Holiday Train Show – December 10, 2016**

Garden-gauge trains zip along a quarter-mile of track past 140 beloved New York landmarks, including the original Yankee Stadium, the Empire State Building, and Grand Central Terminal, made primarily of plant materials, all within the warmth of the country's largest Victorian-style glass house - a landmark in itself. Wander through the beautiful Conservatory under models of several NYC bridges. Trip includes admission to the train show and gardens, a buffet lunch at the Garden, a behind the scenes tour, and leisure time for shopping on Arthur Avenue. The Behind the Scenes Tour shows how the artists built this fairy tale exhibition, using natural materials and learn the various stages of construction, from the framing of the landmark structures to completion. Leaving the commuter lot on route 79 at 7:15 am and leaving New York at 5:00 pm. for the return ride home. No refunds. \$113

## **Holiday Tree Lighting, Friday, December 2, 2016 – 5:30pm**

Join us at the old Memorial Town Hall, by the green, to help light the tree and sing some carols. Troop 490 will also be providing hot chocolate and helping us light our candles for the candle lighting ceremony. We want all to enjoy the Tree Lighting Ceremony but ask parents not to let their children go up on stage. The winners of the Tree Lighting Contest should be the only children up on stage at this event. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!

### **Tree Lighting Contest:**

Our Annual Tree Lighting Contest begins November 1, 2016. Draw or paint a picture of what the holidays mean to you. Three children will be chosen out of the entries, to help Santa and our very own First Selectman, light the tree on the Town Green. Ages will vary from young to old.

### **Tree Lighting Contest Rules:**

Entries should include the following:

1. Child must be a Madison resident.
2. Artwork must be child's own work. Parents should not help.
3. Child must be able to go up on stage and state their name.
4. Entries will be disqualified if not done by child. Ages up to 13 will be accepted.
5. All entries must include name, age, valid email address, home address and phone.
6. Form can be picked up in the Recreation Office beginning November 1<sup>st</sup> or may be downloaded from our website [www.madisonct.org](http://www.madisonct.org) under Beach & Recreation Department beginning November 1<sup>st</sup>..

All entries must be turned in to the Madison Beach and Recreation Office by 4:00pm on November 25th, 2016.