



Happenings

Reported at the Town Council Meeting on December 4, 2023
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PLAINVILLE'S WAVE TO SANTA

On Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 6:00 PM in Norton Park, enjoy a parade of festive cars, police cars, and fire trucks featuring Santa and Mrs. Claus from the warmth and comfort of your own vehicle.

K.I.M.'S DRIVE FOR HYDIENE – YOUTH SERVICES

Plainville Youth Services Department and the KIM (Kids in the Middle) program are hosting a Hygiene Drive for the food pantry ending on December 8th. There are drop boxes at the Municipal Center, Recreation Department Building, and for students, at the Middle School.

2024 FIRE PREVENTION CALENDARS – FIRE MARSHAL

The Connecticut Fire Prevention Poster Recognition Program is an annual event open to 4th and 5th grade students. The contest's goal is to increase awareness of the best fire prevention safety practices. The 2024 calendar has been released with the artwork of last year's winners. Calendars are available to the public at the Municipal Center.

TREASURERS FROM THE CHILDREN'S ROOM – PLAINVILLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

On Saturday December 9th, the Plainville Historical Society will host "Treasures of the Children's Room" at 1:00 PM followed by a Holiday Open House 2:00 - 4:00 PM at the Plainville Historic Center at 29 Pierce Street. Families and people of all ages are invited.

The program will showcase a variety of vintage toys, dolls, train sets, and items associated with the old Broad Street School. One highlight will be a large dollhouse built in 1913 as a Christmas gift.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

For information on Library programs, including registration, call the Plainville Public Library at 860-793-1446 or visit www.plainvillect.com/library.

Holiday Performance by Pianist David Eberly

- Thursday, December 7, 2023 at 6:30 PM
- Open to all ages. Register in advance.

Plainville Flute Choir Performance

- Wednesday, December 13th at 6:00 PM.
- Refreshments will be served.
- Open to all ages. Register in advance.

Sensory Exploration, presented by the CAP Lab of UCONN

- Tuesday, December 5th at 9:30 am and Thursday, January 4th at 9:30 am
- Ages 0 - 11 months with caregiver
- Everyday household items become tools for building curiosity and engagement in this musical sensory exploration for infants.

Let's Dance

- Wednesdays, December 6th - January 10th at 9:30 am
- Ages 2-5 years with a caregiver.
- Children and their caregivers will jump, shake, and play instruments during this group dance program where fun and movement are the focus.

Dungeons & Dragons for Beginners

- Wednesday, December 13th and January 10th and February 7th at 4:00 pm.
- Ages 11-17
- Players will learn the fundamentals of D&D where their decisions will have a direct effect on the world and story.

SENIOR CENTER

For information on Senior Center programs, call the Plainville Senior Center at 860-747-5728. All programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise indicated.

Beat the Holiday Blues Lunch & Learn

- Wednesday, December 6, 2023 from 12:00 PM—1:00 PM
- Join Heather Hitchcock CDP, Community Education Manager from Bristol Behavioral Health as she discusses the signs & symptoms of the holiday blues and how you can HELP alleviate them.
- Lunch will be served. Please call to reserve your spot.

Frauds and Scams Facing Seniors

- Wednesday, December 6, 2023 from 2:30 PM—4:00 PM
- Catherine Blinder from the Department of Consumer Protection will give a broad overview about what the DCP does and present on common frauds and scams facing seniors.
- Please call the Senior Center to reserve your spot.

Caregiving Connections

- Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at 10:00 AM
- Connect with other caregivers at the Senior Center to support one another on our journeys and recognize the challenges and frustrations of 24/7 caregiving.

Vaccination Clinic at the Senior Center – in Partnership with Stop & Shop

- Wednesday, December 13, 2023 from 9:30 AM—12:30 PM
- Clinic includes a COVID, high dose Flu, RSV, Shingles, and Pneumonia Vaccine Clinic. Appointments are required and you must bring your insurance card.

Santa Ornament Class

- Thursday, December 14, 2023 from 9:30 AM—12:30 PM Cost: \$10.00 - Includes all materials.
- Using decoupage, you will create a beautiful wooden Santa ornament with tile, greenery and ribbon.

Michaela's Garden Seed Packing Day

- Monday, December 18, 2023 from 9:30 AM—12:00 PM
- The Petit Family Foundation will be packaging seed packets. Pizza will be served following the event.

Help for Veterans

- Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 10:00 AM by appointment – 203-805-6340
- Call Jason Coppola, Veterans Service Officer, to find out your status, needs and paperwork required to prepare for a face-to-face appointment at the Senior Center.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren

- Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 10:30 AM
- Share resources, ideas, struggles, joys and more with others who are raising their grandchildren.

Christmas Cookie Decorating Party

- Tuesday, Dec. 19, 2023 at 1:30 PM Cost: \$2.00
- Enjoy a sweet afternoon decorating Christmas cookies, sipping hot cocoa, festive music and reminiscing of your favorite holiday traditions. Wear your favorite holiday sweater.