New London Hospital Days

Press release

Hospital Days began in 1924, when a weekday was chosen to celebrate New London Hospital with the community. The whole town came out to laugh and enjoy each other's company while whole-heartedly supporting its community hospital. It's been a tradition for 88 years for members of the community to enjoy the many activities and fun-filled annual parade.

We are proud to present *Laughter is the Best Medicine* as the theme of the 88th annual Hospital Day and parade on Saturday, August 4.

Parade On Saturday

Recruit your friends and family to enter a float, band, character, animal, antique or convertible car, or EMS vehicle so you can enjoy the entertainment first hand. Your entry can be a decorated pick-up truck as a float, a chance to show off your antique automobile, the opportunity to ride your horse, play with a band showing off your musical talents, or even just walking with your friends!

Evelyn Weber, long-time New London resident and hospital volunteer, is this year's Grand Marshal. Parade participants will line up along Little Sunapee Road at 1 PM. Shortly after, the parade entry judges will come around at 1:30 PM, so be sure you're prepared to impress. The exciting fun-filled march will start at 2 PM and continue down Main Street. We hope to see you there!

The parade isn't the only big event of the day. Kids can jump around and play on the inflatable slide, bouncy house, obstacle course, and dunk tank all day long. The New London Outing Club will be back with its soccer, softball, and basketball games, and be sure to stop by the Teddy Bear Clinic for a check-up and a special gift.

If you like to shop, New London Hospital volunteers will be offering hand-knit items, homemade baked goods, and the Jewelry Box. The New London Garden Club will sell plants and unique flower arrangements. The annual Crafters Tent offers the opportunity to browse 25 different local booths ranging from jewelry to specialty bird houses.

If your stomach starts to growl, we are offering a pancake breakfast, a bake sale, the traditional Rotary lunch tent with a special child's meal, and the Lions Club Spaghetti Supper, which is free for participants in the Triathlon. Everyone is welcome at the Spaghetti Supper. It's $10 for adults, $5 for children eight and under, and no one pays more than $25 for a family meal! Two popular local musical groups will entertain diners under the large tent from 5 to 7 PM.

Many more activities and events will be held throughout the day so be sure you don't miss out on a great day filled with fun!

Triathlon On Sunday

The 28th annual triathlon will set off on Sunday, August 5, at 9 AM from Bucklin Beach on Little Lake Sunapee. The event will include a quarter-mile swim, a 5.7-mile bike ride, and a 5K run. Please be sure to register early at NewLondonHospital.org/events or at the Lions Club Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, as race-day registration may not be offered.

For more information about Hospital Day or the Triathlon, call 526-5265 or visit NewLondonHospital.org/events. Parade participants should contact Holly.Lansdale@NewLondonHospital.org.

DANBURY TOWN-WIDE YARD SALE ON AUGUST 4

By Dave Grover
Danbury Community Center Director

If you live on one of our beautiful granite state back roads, you know how difficult it is to attract yard sale hounds to your yard sale. The Danbury Community Center's Town-Wide Yard Sale Fundraiser, August 4 from 8 AM to 2 PM, comes complete with a map to steer people to your door.

You don't even have to be a Danbury resident to get on the map. We help you by putting you on the map, and you help the DCC with a $10 registration fee. For the same fee, you can bring your sale items to Danbury and rent a space under our tent. We call that a win-win.

When you register, we will send you two yard sale signs with your exclusive number keyed to the map that shows your association with the TWYS. Your address and last name will be listed on the map and a corresponding number on the map will point to where you live.

The yard sale starts at our tent situated between Route 4 and the Northern Rail Trail across from the Danbury General Store. The maps can be purchased there for $2. So whether you want to set up at your place or ours, for $10 we will put your address on our map or reserve a space for you at the tent across from the Danbury General Store.

We'll also have coffee and donuts available for purchase, if you're so inclined. The donuts are made fresh and donated by the world-famous Huntoon Farm Bakery which is also now selling ice cream.

I know you could just wander around the back roads of Danbury until you ran across the individual yard sales, but this is a fund-raiser. So buy the map. You'll save at least the $2 in gas, and you won't have to wander your way back from being lost.

To get in on this, just make a check out for $10 (it's ok with us if you want to donate more) and send it to the Danbury Community Center (DCC) at 15 High Street, Danbury, 03230, by July 31 to be on our map or at the tent. Proceeds from the map as well as from the concession stand (serving coffee, donuts, hot dogs, water, and soda) and the purchase of donated DCC yard sale items will all benefit the DCC.

We are now accepting donations except TVs, computers, printers, stereos, clothes, exercise equipment, and large furniture as well as that stuff you couldn't even give away at your last yard sale. After all, we don't want to overwhelm our transfer station with a lot of leftovers. But you can drop off your saleable donations at the DCC at 15 High Street.

If you have any questions, leave a message at the DCC's number, 768-3424, and we'll get right back to you. And we'll see you at the tent August 4 at 8 AM.

Have Pie For Breakfast At The WCA!

Press release

It's tough to think of anything better than pie for breakfast! And that's what will be on offer from 8 to 11 AM on Saturday, August 11, at the Wilmot Community Association's annual Pie Breakfast at the Red Barn, 64 Village Road, next to the Post Office in Wilmot Flat.

Bring your appetites and choose from an assortment of hot and cold, sweet and savory (including quiches) homemade pies accompanied by sausage, fresh fruit, and beverages.

Cost is $6 for adults; $4 for children 12 and younger; and senior citizens 65 and older.

If you are willing to donate a pie or assist with the breakfast on the morning of August 11, please call the Red Barn at 526-7934 or send e-mail that says what you plan to contribute to WCA@tds.net.

Food At The Bandstand

The Wilmot Community Association is the concession host for Music at the Bandstand from 6 to 8 PM on Saturday, August 11, on the Wilmot Town Green at the intersection of Village Road and Kearsarge Valley Road in Wilmot Flat.

Music will be performed by the Fountain Square Ramblers.

The menu will include seafood "chowda," hot dogs, dessert, and beverages.

For more information, call 526-7934.

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