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Torrington Parks and Recreation Program Updates

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Torrington Parks and Recreation will be offering a Winter Wonderland Workshop with LEGO. This workshop will take place December 29-30 at Coe Memorial Park, under the instruction of Play-Well TEKnologies. Session 1 is for children ages 5-7 and will run from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Session 2 is for children ages 8-12 and will run from 1:00 – 4:00 PM. The registration fee is \$67.00 per person. In this workshop the participants will apply engineering, architecture, creativity, and fun to create a magical Winter Wonderland! Build motorized contraptions like snowmobiles, gondolas, and more. We will build a hilltop village complete with slopes for our LEGO skiers and sledders, and even holiday lighting. A minimum of 11 participants are needed for this each workshop.

Torrington Parks and Recreation Department will be offering some upcoming arts and crafts and science classes being held at the Torrington Armory. These classes will be taught by Cathy Neller. There is a \$10 fee per class for each participant. Registration ends the Friday before each class. Arts and Crafts Classes will include; Thanksgiving Fun featuring stories and crafts celebrating Thanksgiving on November 6th, and Christmas Around the World where participants will learn different holiday traditions on December 16th. In addition, the first of several Young Scientist Classes will take place on November 18th. This class will feature exciting hands-on adventures in earth, life, and physical science. All classes will take place from 4-5 PM on their respective days.

Torrington Parks and Recreation Department is holding a Babysitting class on Saturday, January 10, 2015. This class is for future babysitters, ages 10-15 and will be held from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Torrington Armory. The class is instructed by CPR O' Heart and will enable 10-15 year olds to safely watch over babies and younger children. This is an entry level course intended to teach age appropriate

skills necessary to care for children of all ages using team babysitting, mother's helper and individual babysitting concepts. The course focuses on safety with emphasis on prevention. Basic first aid and obstructed airway management for a conscious choking adult/child and infant will be covered. Other topics include hand washing, diapering, bottle feeding, personal safety, interview skills and many more topics. There is a minimum of 10 participants required to run this program and a maximum of 16 will be accepted. The fee for the class is \$60.00. Register in advance at the Parks and Recreation Department located at 153 South Main Street.

For more information, call the Torrington Parks & Recreation Department at (860) 489-2274.

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