**SIGN UP FOR FUN SPRING PROGRAMS WITH THE BARKHAMSTED RECREATION DEPARTMENT**. Please mail or drop off the payments to Barkhamsted Parks and Recreation Department -67 Ripley Hill Road Pleasant Valley, CT 06063 and also in the white drop box in front of town hall. Please sign up before the deadlines to reserve your spot for programs and ensure your spot and “like” the town of Barkhamsted on Facebook to stay up to date with current events and programs. (Copy and paste the below registration links for registration in your web-browser)

**Spring Karate 2022  **

 **Spring Karate for Kids! Thursdays-** March 31, April 7, 14, 28, May 12, 19, 26, June 2 (No program on April 21 or May 5) **at the Barkhamsted School in the Gym from 6:00-6:45 p.m.**

**White Belts** (Beginners ages 5 to 12)

**Little Dragons**-(ages 5 & 6)-Basic Karate skills, Basic Kata, target drills and exercise, simple self defense

**Mighty Tigers** (ages 7 & 8)-Stronger Karate basics and Kata, Stretching, exercise, target drills and self defense

**Karate Rangers** (ages 9-12)-Karate Basics, including kicking, kata, self-defense, exercise to level, target drills

$75.00 per 8 week sessions    New-$5.00 discount for each additional family member that signs up for Karate!

**Family/Teen and Adult Karate **

**Spring Karate for Families/Teen and Adults-Thursdays-** March 31, April 7, 14, 28, May 12, 19, 26, June 2 (No program on April 21 or May 5) **at the Barkhamsted School in the Gym from 7:00-7:45 p.m.**

This program offers great exercise while learning valuable Karate and self-defense techniques.

**White Belts** (Beginners ages 13 and up)-7:00 to 7:45 p.m.

**Teen/Adults**-(Ages 13 and up)-Kenpo Karate Forms and Self Defense Techniques, Basic kicking drills.

This is a great opportunity to learn karate with family members or solo.

$85.00  per 8 week sessions   New-$5.00 discount for each additional family member that signs up for Karate!

\*\*\*Note\*\*\*New students are white belts and receive uniform

Register for Karate by Thursday, March 24 through this link- https://forms.gle/GVZqvseMXDeSE33f7

**New Pickleball Spring 2022 Session! **

**Spring Pickleball Free Demo Night** will be held on Wednesday, March 9 from 6:00-9:00 p.m. in the Barkhamsted Elementary School gym.  Come down and check out what the fun is all about!  Please wear sneakers and bring a Paddle if you have one.  Players from the past sessions are encouraged to come and help the new players enjoy the sport that night and also get some play time on the courts before our Spring Session begins.  Participants can also register that night for the Spring program.  The demo night is FREE!

It is time to get off the couch and join us for the very fun and new Pickleball Spring Session. All levels and abilities are welcome. This fun sport combines many elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. You will get great exercise and have a blast.

Day-Wednesdays     (End of Winter and Spring Session) 2022  (New 8 week session!)

**Spring-Free Pickleball/Into/Registration Night- March 9  (Free Night)**
**Spring PickleBall Program dates-March March 9, 16, 30, April 13, 27, May 4, 11, 18** These are all Wednesday’s from 6-9:00 p.m.    **(If the Barkhamsted Elementary school is cancelled due to snow/bad weather there will be no program)  We will try to add on a week if possible at the end of the session.   (No program on March 23, April 6 or April 20) Payment Registration Deadline-Wednesday, March 16 at the first Official night of Pickleball**

Location-Barkhamsted Elementary School Gym Time-6:00-9:00 p.m. (this program is for adults **and high school students are also welcome)**

**Please register through this link-** [**https://forms.gle/F7Smgc6iYtZ3H4vb9**](https://forms.gle/F7Smgc6iYtZ3H4vb9)

Fee: $20.00 for residents, $25.00 for non-residents (no pro-rations) Pre-registration is required. Please bring your own paddle and wear sneakers. Please mail your registration to The Barkhamsted Recreation Department- Attention Donna Bastrzycki-Recreation Director 67 Ripley Hill Road, Pleasant Valley, CT 06063 or bring your payment to the program on March 9 or 16.

To learn more about Pickleball visit-<https://www.pickleballcentral.com/Pickleball_Videos_s/204.htm>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=x3ZLjn88JiY](https://www.pickleballcentral.com/Pickleball_Videos_s/204.htm)

**Egg Hunt and Visit with the Easter Bunny with Photos **

When: Saturday, April 16 at 2:00 p.m.

Where: (The egg hunt and Easter Bunny visit will be on the lawn next to the Peter Greenwood Glass Blowing Studio and Orchard Hill Bakery)

What to Bring: Your Easter Basket to join in on the Easter Egg Hunt and a smile! The children will be divided into two or three separate age groups for a toy and candy filled Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the Recreation Commission. The Event will be held rain, snow or shine!!!

 Please register for the Easter Egg Hunt before Wednesday, April 13 through this link- https://forms.gle/etekJwxYacMuJRiP8

**Recreation Summer Camp-Save the Date!  (July 18-22, 2022)**

Get ready for loads of fun at the annual week long Barkhamsted Recreation Camp. There are new special events, crafts and water fun planned for each day. This year’s theme will be “Four Seasons of Fun for Everyone!” We hope your child will be a part of the 2022 camp. Barkhamsted Recreation Summer camp will be held July 18-22, 2022**.**  Please register through this link- <https://forms.gle/ji8LZeLHLVvHGVMW6>

The registration deadline is **June 3, 2022 or when program is full. Be sure to register early as spots are limited.**

**Summer Help Wanted**

**Applications are being accepted for Counselors, Junior Counselors and staff for Summer Camp.**  Please complete the application from this link- <https://forms.gle/DYx6qbUcEYNSVbk16>

**Deadline is-Friday, April 1 or when positions are full (completed applications must be received by this date.) Junior Counselors must be at least 14 years old and counselors must be at least 16 years old.**