

local participating restaurants!

Alfredo's Deli • 168 Water Street • (860) 482-1888

Free 20 oz soda with \$5.00 purchase!

***Bachi's Ristorante Bar & Grill • 46 East Main Street • (860) 482-9508**

Free appetizer with the purchase of 2 entrees. Open lunch and dinner.

Bogey's • 93 Main Street • (860) 482-7480

Free glass of wine with purchase of an entree \$16.95.

Chiane's Gourmet Coffee House & Cafe • 77 Main Street • (860) 489-0707

Buy one menu item, get second menu item of equal or lesser value Half Off.

Dick's Restaurant • 26 East Main Street • (860) 489-7917

Free bottle of beer or glass of wine with entree purchase. Dinner only.

Hannah's Bakery Fine Foods & Catering • 21 Main Street • (860) 496-8365

Free Iced Tea with your meal

Nicholas Pizza • 88 Water Street • (860) 489-5990

Large Cheese Pizza, order of wings and a 2 liter Pepsi product for only \$16.95!!

***Otter's Pub • 131 Water Street • (860) 496-0447**

20% OFF your entire check.

Venetian Restaurant • 52 East Main Street • (860) 459-8592

Free glass of wine or dessert with purchase of an entree .

Open lunch and dinner.

***Outdoor Dining Available**

local participating merchants!

Toy Jam • 52 Main Street • (860) 489-3646

20% OFF one item.

Remember When • 111 Main Street • (860) 489-1566

15% OFF. Not including repairs.

Barking Dog Guitar Traders, LLC • 83 Main Street (860) 496-1900

10% discounts on all strings, cases, and accessories, and

10% off any Reverend, Eastwood, or Timberline guitar

In Sheep's Clothing Yarn Shop Fibre Arts Studio • 98 Main Street • (860) 482-3979

Free spinning and weaving demonstrations and special discounts

Note: Above offers valid June 14th only.

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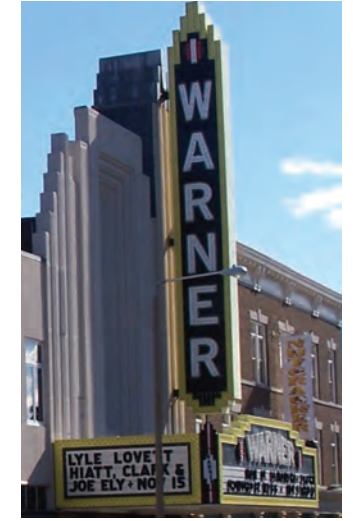
Connecticut Open House Day,

Saturday, June 14, 2008 • 12-4pm

WELCOME TO TORRINGTON

Small Town Charm

Big City Style



Come explore downtown Torrington, an old New England town coming together with fresh ideas. From its original Arts and culture to the annual traditions, there is something for everyone in Downtown Torrington! Torrington's Downtown is home to over 80 Restaurants and Retailers whose goal is to make your visit a pleasure.



who's participating?

Artwell

19 Water Street | (860) 482-5122
www.artwellgallery.org

Artwell Gallery is a not-for-profit community arts organization serving Northwest Connecticut and beyond. Founded in 1995 by Stewart Wilson, Artwell's mission is to encourage and promote the visual, literary and performing arts and artists in the Northwest Corner of Connecticut. The organization has steadily grown and evolved into a major cultural force, enriching the lives of the people who participate in the many exhibitions, performances and special events held throughout the year.

Offering: Free craft making at Artwell's Creative Learning Center (while supplies last). On exhibit: Ronald Sloan's "Unframed Show" (mature audience). On exhibit at the Warner Theatre's Atrium Gallery - Priscilla Newcomb's "Water, Water"

Art Xperiment Gallery

199 Water Street
www.axgallery.freeyellow.com

The Art Xperiment Gallery (AX), housed in a large industrial factory space, holds exhibitions of emerging and established contemporary gallery artists as well as a rotating exhibit of visual and conceptual guest artists. Exhibitors include painters, sculptors, installation artists, digital media artists and photographers. The AX Gallery is committed to supporting artists in the exposure of their work to a broader audience by hosting events designed to critically engage the public. Art Xperiment endeavors to excite and generate discussion in an educational context through its artists' talks, gallery presentations, exhibition openings and special viewing for collectors.

Offering: Tours of gallery featuring an exhibit entitled "Where did you sleep last night?" works by Sharon Cole

Cuisine with Jill Nicolson Cooking School

184 South Main Street | (860) 489-1003
www.cuisinewithjill.com

Housed in a spectacular 1885 Victorian home outfitted with a state-of-the-art teaching kitchen, the school offers culinary classes for all ages featuring top chefs from all over New England. The unique ambiance and winning class offerings make for an exciting outing for students of all skill sets. The facility also hosts private parties and theme dinners and the staff provides event planning and catering for special events.

Offering: Cooking Demonstrations and Free Appetizers

Joyful Noise

220 Prospect Street | (860) 496-8841
www.chorusangelicus.org

Joyful Noise is the parent organization for the renowned children's and adult choirs, Chorus Angelicus and Gaudeamus. Founded in 1991 by three-time Grammy Award-winning composer, Paul Halley, Joyful Noise's choirs perform approximately 25 concerts annually. Their concerts feature the great choral masterworks from Gregorian chant to the modern mystics, as well as contemporary world music and some of Halley's own works. Performances have included collaborations with the Hartford Symphony and the Paul Winter Consort in venues such as Boston's Symphony Hall and The Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City.

Offering: Information on Joyful Noise concerts

Kil'n Time Pottery, Workshops & Events

29 Main Street | (860) 618-3316
www.paintyourownpottery.org

More than just a pottery studio, Kil'n Time offers pottery painting, pottery wheel workshops, classes in glass pendant design, jewelry making and scrapbooking. Pottery wheel rentals are available.

Offering: Tour the studio, observe classes in progress and receive a coupon for one free studio fee.

Nutmeg Conservatory for the Arts

58 Main Street | (860) 482-4413
www.nutmegconservatory.org

The Nutmeg Conservatory for the Arts, housed in a stunning state-of-the-art facility is home to the internationally-acclaimed Nutmeg Ballet, a premier dance training facility founded in 1970 by Sharon Dante. The Nutmeg Ballet is committed to producing world-class dancers through quality pre-professional training, education and performance opportunities. The Ballet maintains a complete performance season including Fall Repertoire, Spring Repertoire, and the International Summer Festival. Students, hailing from all over the world, also appear in full-length productions including Nutcracker, Coppelia, Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty and other classics.

Offering: Tours and a look at the training process of their ballerinas, Dance Store open

Studio 59

59 Barber Street | (860) 482-6801
www.studio59music.com

Pianist and owner, Timothy Alexandre Wallace, has transformed a historic church on Barber Street into a quaint performance gallery reminiscent of 18th century Paris. Studio 59's centerpiece is a magnificent German Steinway concert grand piano surrounded by eclectic art, rich decor, comfortable wing-back and parlor chairs. Patrons enjoy evenings of private concerts, presentations of works of art and other special events that embrace the elegant ambiance of a long forgotten era.

Offering: Free Performances & Grand Opening of Art Gallery Space, plus Refreshments. Featuring an exhibit entitled "Natures Mandala" works by Priscilla Newcomb. Art activities for children.

Torrington Historical Society

192 Main Street | (860) 482-8260
www.torringtonhistoricalsociety.org

Housed at the former Hotchkiss-Fyler Estate, the Historical Society is a non-profit educational institution which operates three on-site museums and a historical reference library. The Hotchkiss-Fyler House Museum is a late Victorian-period home housing a noteworthy collection of fine glass, porcelain and paintings by Connecticut artists. The Torrington History Museum, features the acclaimed No Place Like Home Exhibit chronicling Torrington's History. The Society's Carriage House Museum houses the award-winning industrial history exhibit entitled Pursuit of Precision: The Hende Machine Co. 1870 - 1954. The John H. Thompson Memorial Library houses a large, varied collection of historical and cultural materials.

Offering: Demonstrations of historic crafts. Spinning, Pottery, Blacksmith and Civil War reenactment.

Trinity Art Series

220 Prospect Street | (860) 482-4411
www.trinityartseries.org

Founded in 2000, the series presents a full season of events including a wide variety of musical performances by world-renowned musicians and specialty events like an annual Medieval Banquet—all set against the backdrop of Trinity Episcopal Church's stunning gothic architecture.

Offering: Tours of the architecture of Trinity Episcopal church and information on upcoming concerts.

Torrington Development Corporation (TDC)

Located at Coe Park | (860) 482-6077
www.torringtondevelopment.org

The Torrington Development Corporation (TDC) is an independent, non-profit organization charged with coordinating the enhancement and revitalization of Downtown Torrington.

Offering: Torrington Information Booth

Coe Memorial Park

153 South Main Street | 860-489-2275

In the heart of downtown, the newly renovated Coe Park is the site of Summer Concerts-on-the-green (June-August) and Heritage Days. Among other events, Coe Park Civic Center is home to craft fairs and much more.

Offering: The park is open for self guided tours and is the location of the Torrington Development Corporation Information Booth

Torrington Twisters/Fuessenich Park

South Main Street, Fuessenich Park
www.torringtontwisters.org

Not many Connecticut towns can boast a full-sized baseball diamond and stadium seating just a short walk from downtown. Torrington's Fuessenich Park is home to the Torrington Twisters.

Offering: Players will be available before the game at 7pm to sign autographs. If participating in CT Open House Day, get one free ticket with paid admission.

Torrington Library

12 Daycoeton Place | (860) 489-6684
www.torringtonlibrary.org

The Torrington Library is a doorway to learning and a life-long partner to the community, providing free access to resources including a circulating collection of both print and non-print adult, young adult, and juvenile materials. With new materials added daily, the Library serves a community of over 35,000 with a dedicated staff of 17 and countless volunteers. The Library offers a variety of free educational and entertaining adult, young adult and juvenile programs. Adult and young adult programs feature author events, historical character performances, musical performances, and informational lectures. Children's programming is also available and includes weekly story times for ages 3-5, Time-for-Tots for ages 18 months to 2 years, and a variety of summer reading and supplemental programs.

Offering: 1955 Flood Photo and Memorabilia Exhibit, Family Game Day, Free Family Movie Showing at 1:00 p.m. Refreshments will be served! For movie title, please contact the Library at 489-6684.

Authentic Workout Enclave (AWE)

221 Water Street | (860) 803-3929

Founded by nationally-ranked Russian fencing master and author of the book "Powerful Fencing Footwork" Marc Ganych, AWE is a fitness club that offers kettleball training and classes in fencing and self-defense

Offering: Free fencing, self-defense and kettleball demonstrations

Northwest YMCA

259 Prospect Street | (860) 489-3133
www.northwestctymca.org

The Torrington Branch of the Northwest CT YMCA serves the people of Northwest Connecticut to build healthy spirits, minds and bodies. Located in the heart of Torrington, Connecticut, the Y offers a great facility and very friendly and helpful staff.

Offering: Free activity stations for arts and crafts, basketball, soccer and floor hockey, healthy snacks, and open swim from 2 - 4 p.m.

Warner Theatre

1012 Main Street | 860-489-7180
www.warnertheatre.org

The Warner is the largest performing arts center in Litchfield County and a major destination showcasing internationally acclaimed artists, classical music and dance performances, community theatre and important community events. In addition, the Warner Theatre Center for Arts Education provides onsite performing arts classroom instruction and performances for thousands of children around the region.

Offering: Tours of the complex and behind-the scenes look at Amadeus

**** Free Parking on street and in municipal parking lots as indicated. Plus, Shuttle Bus Services provided by the City of Torrington. Shuttle Buses can be picked up at: Municipal parking lots and any participating location throughout event.**

