

# Sports Calendar

## EVENTS

**PUNT, PASS & KICK COMPETITION**—Saturday, Sept. 11, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at Southington High School. Carnival and festival at the high school with proceeds benefitting Blue Knights Football. SHS coaches and players will serve as judges for the competition with prizes for all winners. Concession stand will be open, along with a dunking booth and inflatable moon walks, games, vendors, and family fun. Contact: Angela Bonenfant, (860) 490-0120 or agelab70@cox.net.

**RUN FOR CONSERVATION 5K FUN RUN**—Sunday, Sept. 12, 10 a.m., at the Calendar House, Pleasant St. Cost is \$20 and pre-registration is available at [www.southingtonlandtrust.org](http://www.southingtonlandtrust.org). Participants will be entered into a free raffle at the end of the race. The race is untimed, and proceeds benefit the Southington Land Conservation Trust. Contact: Brenda Bunnell or Bonnie Sica, (860) 621-9553.

**ELKS YOUTH SOCCER SHOOT**—Saturday, Sept. 18, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at the Southington Elks Lodge, 114 Main St. Participation is free for children aged 4-13. Athletes are not required to be soccer players. Trophies will be presented to the top three competitors in each age group. Free lunch will be provided for athletes, parents, and sponsors. Contact: Elizabeth Thisdale, (860) 614-8765 or Elks Lodge, (860) 628-6682.

**RALLY FOR THE CURE GOLF TOURNAMENT**—Wednesday, Sept. 22, shotgun start at 8:30 a.m., at Hawk's Landing Country Club. Sponsored by the Hawk's Landing Ladies Golf League, proceeds will benefit the Susan G. Komen for the Cure CT Affiliate. Monies will be used for breast cancer research and for the CT Breast Outreach Programs. The 9-hole tournament is dedicated to the life and memory of Gail DePaolo Butkus. Cost is \$75 (\$30 for lunch only). Hole sponsors (\$50) and patron donations (\$25) are available. All golfers will receive a year's subscription to either Golf Digest, Self, Bob Apetit, or Architectural Digest and be entered in the Rally Skills Challenge Sweepstakes Drawing by Titleist. Contact: Pauline Kezer, (860) 388-5633 or pauline@kezerconsulting.com.

**AMERICAN LEGION BASEBALL GOLF TOURNAMENT**—Sunday, Sept. 26 at Pine Valley Country Club. Registration at 9:30 a.m. Scramble start, 10:30 a.m. Dinner at Pine Valley, 5 p.m. Cost is \$125 per person and includes cart, lunch, beer, soda, and dinner. Contact: Ron Ingriselli, (860) 681-7055.

**SOUTHINGTON ATHLETICS GOLF TOURNAMENT**—Saturday, Oct. 2 at Hawks

Landing Country Club. Golfers and sponsors are needed to make this a successful event. Cost is \$120 per golfer. (Flag sponsors are \$150.) All proceeds benefit the student athletes at Southington High School. For registration or sponsor information, contact Eric Swallow, Athletic Director at [eswallow@southingtonschools.org](mailto:eswallow@southingtonschools.org) or (860) 628-3229, ext. 346.



**HAWKS LANDING LOBSTER OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT**—Saturday, Oct. 16, 9 a.m. modified shotgun start at Hawks Landing Country Club. Cost is \$75 for members, \$95 for non-members, and \$50 dinner only. A surf and turf lobster bake begins at 2 p.m. Cost includes steamers, NE clam chowder, steak, lobster tail, salad, baked potato, corn, watermelon, cake, beer, soda, water, and prizes. Registration is open through Oct. 7. Contact: (860) 793-6000, ext. 2# or visit the pro shop.

## REGISTRATIONS

**SOUTHINGTON LIGHTNING 14U GOLD TEAM**—Registration is underway for the 2010 fall ball season and the 2011 summer travel season. Girls must be born in 1996 or 1997. Contact: Bill Zesut, (860) 205-3692, or email at [wjesut@yahoo.com](mailto:wjesut@yahoo.com).

## ONGOING

**BOWLING WITH A BUDDY**—The last Saturday of the month during the school year at Brunswick Super Bowl Lanes, Plantsville. Open to any Southington elementary school students with special needs. Peer volunteers from Southington High School's Best Buddies program will be participating in helping the elementary students with their bowling game! Cost is \$2.05, which includes shoe rental. Bowling with a Buddy is not run, sponsored, or endorsed by the Southington Public Schools or the Southington Board of Education. Contact: Katrina Toce, [kattoce@hotmail.com](mailto:kattoce@hotmail.com).

## SOUTHINGTON YMCA

Registration for the following classes and programs, unless otherwise noted, can be made at the Southington Community YMCA Membership Services Desk at (860) 628-5597 or on-line at [www.southington-cheshireymca.org](http://www.southington-cheshireymca.org).

**FALL HOURS**—Fall hours are underway. Monday-Friday, 5 a.m.-10 p.m., Saturdays, 6 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sundays, 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Open on Labor Day (Monday, Sept. 6), 7 a.m.-noon with babysitting available 8:30a.m.-noon. The pool and the Women's Center is closed on Labor Day.

**PART TIME GYMNASTICS**



SUBMITTED

## Cruising the sidelines

The Blue Knights football team's golf cart has been detailed for the upcoming season. The work was done by Expert Auto Glass and Town Line Sign. From left, SHS grounds/equipment manager Skip Butkiewicz and Joe Sliwa (right), owner of Expert Auto Glass. The cart was donated by Southington Country Club and will be ready for the team's home opener on Friday, Sept. 24 against defending Class LL champion Glastonbury. Fans are encouraged to wear blue in support of the Knights.

**COACH**—The Southington-Cheshire YMCA Gymnastics Center is looking for a part-time Gymnastics Class Instructor. The position would include assisting with Saturday classes, afternoon classes, weekend birthday parties, Flippin' Families and subbing when needed. If interested, please call Nancy Bauman, Gymnastics Director at (203)272-7688.

**YOGA AT THE Y**—Registration is underway for a variety of Yoga programs at the Southington YMCA. Choose from Hot Yoga, Vinyasa Flow Yoga, Hatha Yoga, Power Yoga, Intermediate Yoga, Forrest Yoga, Yoga Run, Yoga 101, and Outdoor Yoga at Camp Sloper. Low cost packages range from \$4.75-\$6 per class. Drop in classes available for \$8.

**8 WEEKS TO A BETTER YOU (OPEN TO NON-MEMBERS)**—Registration underway. Program runs Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from Aug. 30-Oct. 23, 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. This free fitness program is offered by the

Southington Community YMCA through collaboration with the Southington Health Department. Participants must be Southington residents aged 18 years and older. This program is open to non-YMCA members. Participants will be guided through a fitness consultation and equipment orientation by certified staff and progress will be charted. Women have the option of using the Women's Health and Wellness Center for this program. Babysitting service is available for a fee. Enrollment is limited to one session per participant and must be made in person at the membership services desk.

**PRESCHOOL & YOUTH GYMNASTICS**—For children ages 16 months and up in a state-of-the-art facility located at 26 Putnam Place, Plantsville. The programs are designed to enhance the child's strength, flexibility, hand eye coordination, and social and listening skills. The YMCA also offers a competitive

gymnastics program where participants compete in YMCA and USAG meets. YMCA instructors encourage and support children and serve as positive role models. Contact: Nancy Bauman, (203) 272-7688.

## PARKS & REC

Registration for the following classes and programs, unless otherwise noted, can be made at the Southington Parks & Recreation Department at (860) 276-6218. Checks should be payable to Town of Southington. To learn more check out the activity schedule at [www.southington.org](http://www.southington.org).

**POOL HOURS**—Saturday, Sept. 4-Monday, Sept. 6, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 7-Friday, Sept. 10, Closed. Saturday, Sept. 11-Sunday, Sept. 12, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Pools will be closed for the season as of September 13.



Proof of residency and a photo ID are needed. Each resident may bring one out-of-town guest.

**OVER 40 MENS SOCCER**—Sundays beginning Sept. 12, at 10 a.m., at Recreation Park. Contact: [ajpicone@cox.net](mailto:ajpicone@cox.net).

**ADULT COED SOCCER**—Sundays beginning Sept. 12, at 4 p.m., at Recreation Park. Contact: [info@soccceralumni.com](mailto:info@soccceralumni.com).

## PARK & REC TRIPS

**RED SOX (CHICAGO)**—Saturday, Sept. 4, TBA, from the commuter parking lot in Plantsville. Cost is \$97 per person and includes deluxe motor coach transportation and game ticket.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**SOUTHINGTON SPORTS HALL OF FAME AWARDS DINNER**—Wednesday, Nov. 10 at the Aqua Turf Club, Plantsville. Cost is \$50 per person. No tickets available at the door. Contact: Jim Verderame, (860) 628-7335. Tickets are also available at Bonterra Italian Bistro, Anthony Jacks Wood Fired Grill, or the Southington Chamber of Commerce.

**SHS FAMILY PASSES AND SENIOR GOLD CARDS**—Sports Season Family Passes and Senior Gold Cards for the 2010-2011 school season are available between 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Athletic Director's Office at Southington High School. Cost is \$75 for the family passes. Family passes are also available at home contests. Senior gold cards are free for Southington residents ages 62 and over and are good for all regular season home games. Those who already have gold cards do not need new ones. Contact: SHS Athletic Office, (860) 628-3229 x 425.

**THE SPEEDWAY LINE REPORT WITH GARY DANKO**—Mondays, 6 p.m.-7:00 p.m., on WATR 1320 or on-line at [www.speedwaylinereport.com](http://www.speedwaylinereport.com). The call-in radio show focuses on the world of auto racing with in-studio guests. Southington's Gary Danko leads the discussion and provides results from local tracks and periodic vintage historical shows. Call-ins: (203) 757-1320.

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