



Wilmot Community Association Report for 2017

For more than 50 years the Wilmot Community Association (WCA) has been having fun *Bringing Neighbors Together*. 2017 was no exception. A Mystery Theater Dinner and a fairy festival were two new events that proved to be wonderful extensions to the WCA's programming. The always popular WCA breakfasts had a comeback with pancakes in March and a "Say Goodbye to Summer" repast in late August.

Everyone's favorite activities and programs were back. Creativity abounded at Imagination into Art and the fall concerts series. The Chief David White Health and Safety Series provided interesting and important insights into rabies, ticks, and the opioid crisis. Fun was had by all at the Pie Breakfast, Scarecrow Contest, and Halloween Trick or Treating.

The WCA is proud to partner with lots of different organizations to present a wide variety of interesting programs including:

- Six summer concerts with Bandstand Committee
- Monthly lunches for senior citizens with Wilmot Ladies Aid Society, Kearsarge Council On Aging, and the Community Action Program
- Fairy Festival and Santa Comes to Wilmot with the Wilmot Public Library
- An orchid presentation with the Wilmot Garden Club
- Blood Drives with American Red Cross
- A flu shot clinic with Lake Sunapee VNA & Hospice
- Chief David White Health and Safety Workshops with the Lake Sunapee VNA & Hospice, UNH Cooperative Extension, and the Wilmot Conservation Commission
- Spring cleanup and the town wide yard sale with the Town of Wilmot

The WCA schedules two major fund-raising events each year: the Black Fly Blitz, a 5K run on Memorial Day, and the Holiday Craft Fair in December. Both these events are popular throughout the region and bring visitors from near and far.

We invest in Wilmot's young scholars through the Kay White Memorial Scholarship. David Wallace, Victoria Henskens, and Clare Brady, graduates of Kearsarge Regional High School, each received a scholarship, which honors Kay White, one of the association's founders.

The WCA owns two facilities, the Red Barn and Timothy Patten Park. The Red Barn on Village Road houses a fully equipped commercial kitchen, a function room that seats up to 100 people, and the organization's offices. The Red Barn also is home to the Wilmot Learning Place, a private preschool. Timothy Patten Park has a playground, picnic area, and beach on Shindagan Road. Town residents with a valid transfer station sticker, and WCA members and their guests are welcome to use the property. Both facilities are available for rent.

The WCA is a member-based 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit organization. It is funded through donations, including the Annual Fund and Membership Drive, grants, and rental income. Membership is open to everyone.

Volunteers power the WCA. From senior citizens to high school students, volunteers always are welcome. Opportunities range from one-time tasks to serving on the board of directors. In 2017

close to 200 people donated more than 2,000 hours of their time to ensure your Association's success.

Wouldn't you like to join us? Please visit www.wilmotWCA.org and follow us on Facebook. You can contact the WCA's office at 526-7934 or wca@tds.net for more information.

Respectfully submitted,
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