






## 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 Saturdays

 **The Bristol Auto Club Cruise Night** every Saturday 5pm-8:30pm through October 3. Our 2009 Cruise Nights will be held at The Bristol Farms Plaza, 1235 Farmington Ave (Rt 6), 583-2147.


## 3 Monday


 **MAGIC JIM to perform at the Library!** MAGIC JIM Vagias has been using his skills as an entertainer and speaker for over 30 years. As a former teacher, Jim combines his background in education with his theatre skills! Jim has performed throughout the United States and Europe, and has been on national television several times. MAGIC JIM'S show is FREE for kids of ALL ages! 6:30pm-7:30pm, Bristol Public Library, Children's Dept, 5 High St, 584-7787 x2021.

## 3-7


 **Vacation Bible School 2009 Superheroes** If you are ready to use your unprecedented powers dedicated to acts of daring-done in the pursuit Godly living and righteousness and you want to have fun in the process—then we have the VBS for you! Music, drama, lessons, crafts, games and snacks. Free. Pre-K through Grade 5. Friday night will be family night! 6:30pm-8:30pm, Grace Baptist Church, 736 King Street, 582-3840.

## 4 Tuesday


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 **Bring-A-Banana Night** If you are attending the Bristol Parks & Recreation outdoor concert at Brackett Park then walk on over to the Imagine Nation Museum for a great deal on banana splits at our old fashioned 1940's Soda Fountain where children can meet and greet Dole's Bobby Banana. If you bring your own banana (\$2 splits). Indoor and outdoor seating available. 6:30-9pm, Imagine Nation Museum, One Pleasant St, 314-1400.


## 5 Wednesday

 **The "Flow Circus" visits the Library!** Vaudeville style show that incorporates juggling, magic, physical comedy, and improvisation. Highly interactive and sure to keep audiences engaged from beginning to end. FREE! All kids get a summer raffle for attending! 6:30-7:30pm, Bristol Public Library Children's Dept, 5 High St, 584-7787.

## 6 Thursday

 **Scrapbooking Workshop: Matchbook Albums** Part of the 'Be Creative @ the Bristol Public Library' Summer Program for Adults Gail Straun, Master Scrapbook Artist from Cattail Designs, will guide participants as they use the materials provided to complete a mini-album to take home ready for pictures. Gail will also serve a special, surprise dessert. Created for those 17 years of age or older, program is free, but registration is required. Call, leave your name and number, and mention "Matchbook Albums Workshop." 6:30pm-8:30pm, Bristol Public Library, Lower Level Meeting Rm, 5 High St, 584-7787 x2007.

## 6, 13, 20, 27 Thursdays

 **Tai Chi classes**, taught by Risa Brophy, are on-going at the Carousel Museum on Thursday evenings. Clear your mind and energize your body with the deep breathing and slow movements of Tai Chi, an ancient Chinese martial art. The cost is \$39 for four classes, or \$12 per class. Each class is an hour in length, and begins at 6:30pm. Pre-registration is appreciated. Walk-ins welcome. Call for class schedule. 585-5411.


## 7 Friday

**Carnival Day** Join us for "First Friday Family Night" for a full evening of entertainment and attractions. Our parking lot will come to life with music and dancing, face painting, costume characters, a dunk tank, inflatable slides, games, and lots more. Includes exploration of the museum exhibits & Soda Fountain. Food and popcorn are available for an additional fee. Sponsored by the Bristol Mayor's T.E.A.M. Reduced admission of \$4 per person, children under one & members are free. 4pm-8pm, Imagine Nation Museum, One Pleasant St, 314-1400.


## 8 Saturday

**Meet Mary Barry who lived in Bristol at the turn of the 20th century**, free admission. 1pm-3pm, Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer St, 583-6309.

## 9 Sunday

 **Baseball Fan Day**, Take me out to the ball game! We are celebrating Baseball Fan Day. Wear your favorite baseball team shirt and receive a prize. Special baseball crafts, a visit from Rocky Rockcat, and visit our SportsCenter Exhibit where you can become an anchor read a special script off the teleprompter! 9:30pm-5pm, Imagine Nation Museum, One Pleasant Street, 314-1400.

## 10 Monday

 **Connecticut Ballet at the Library!** Beautiful ballet dancers from the Connecticut Ballet to dance in the Children's Dept at the Bristol Public Library! FREE! 6:30pm-7:30pm, Bristol Public Library, Children's Dept, 5 High St, 584-7787 x2021.

## 15 Saturday

 **Storm King Art Center Bus Trip** Part of the 'Be Creative @ Your Library' Summer Program for Adults. Visit one of world's outstanding sculpture parks, in Hudson Valley, two hours by bus. See works of Maya Lin and Andy Goldworthy. Will return by approx. 5:30pm. \$55 fee, includes bus fare, admission, all tours; must be paid in advance. Call to register, leaving name and phone number; you will be contacted within 2 business days. More details and related events on our website: [www.BristolLib.com](http://www.BristolLib.com). 8:15am-5:30pm, Leaving from Bristol Public Library Parking Lot, 5 High St, 584-7787 x2007.

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## 20 Thursday

 **Third Thursday program featuring Bristol Press Publisher Mike Schroeder**, free for members, \$4 non-members, refreshments served. 7pm, Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, 583-6309.




**Countdown To Kindergarten** Do you have a little one who is preparing to start kindergarten in the fall? Don't miss this program where rising kindergartners will take a bus ride, meet a kindergarten teacher, hear stories, make crafts, and more. Choose from two locations: The Imagine Nation Museum, or the Bristol Public Library. This free program for Bristol residents is sponsored by the Bristol School Readiness Council, Imagine Nation Museum, and the Bristol Public Library. 9:30am-11:30am, Locations: Imagine Nation Museum, One Pleasant Street and Bristol Public Library, High Street. For further information and to register call 584-7787 x2021.


## 21 Friday

 **Beach Party Barbie Day** Bring your favorite barbie doll to the museum as we host this party to celebrate Barbie's 50th Birthday! 9:30am-5pm, Imagine Nation Museum, One Pleasant St, 314-1400.

## 22 Saturday

 **American Girl Story Hour featuring storyteller Joyce Rayno** who will entertain and inform girls who cherish their favorite dolls. Milk and Cookies will follow the story telling. Free Admission. 1pm-3pm, Bristol Historical Society, 98 Summer Street, 583-6309.

## 25 Tuesday

 **Clock Identification** Hosted by the American Clock & Watch Museum. One of the museum's more popular events, this day gives people who own an American-made timepiece the opportunity to meet with museum personnel to discuss their treasure. For the price of admission, our staff will help visitors discover information about one special clock or watch. Additional pieces will be evaluated for a nominal fee. For more information about this event, contact the museum or consult the website [www.clockandwatchmuseum.org](http://www.clockandwatchmuseum.org). 10am-4pm, American Clock & Watch Museum, 100 Maple Street, 583-6070.


## 26 Wednesday

 **Mum Festival Committee Meeting** If you are interested in becoming a volunteer on the Mum Committee please join us for our committee meeting. 7pm, Bristol Chamber of Commerce, 200 Main Street, 621-0149.

## 27 Thursday


 **Welcome Back Students!** First Day of School for Bristol Public Schools!

## 29 Saturday

 **Rock"WELL" Family Fun and Fitness** is a FREE community event held at RockWell Park featuring wellness activities, health and wellness information and other interactive events. Event is sponsored by Aetna, Farmington Saving Bank, CIT Insurance along with many participants. Activities from Boys & Girls Club, United Way, Sports Hall of Fame, Plainville YMCA, HealthTrax, Bristol Hospital, ESPN, Boy Scouts, City of Bristol and more. Health info by Bristol/Burlington Health District, Bristol Hospital Wellness Center and others. Visits from Ronald McDonald, Rocky from the Rockcats and lots of "Family Fun and Fitness". For more info contact Bristol Chamber at 314-2101 or Bristol Hospital Wellness Center at 314-2087.

## 31 Monday

 **Bristol Republican Town Committee Meeting** Monthly meeting of the local GOP. 7pm-8:30pm, Bristol Board of Education building, 129 Church Street, 314-0423.

 **Job Search Assistance** Dept of Labor staff will provide job search assistance on a first-come, first-served basis. Job seekers can conduct online job searches, learn about other job search resources and websites, or have their resume critiqued by a Certified Professional Resume Writer. Staff will also be available to answer questions on job searches, interviewing, and on the Dept of Labor/CTWorks career centers and services. 9am-3pm, Bristol Public Library, Computer Lab on 2nd Floor, 5 High St, 584-7787 x2017.

**On-going events on back!**



## On-Going Activities & Attractions

### American Clock & Watch Museum

100 Maple Street, 583-6070  
Exhibits on Connecticut's clockmaking industry,  
10am-5pm, 7 days a week.  
[www.clockandwatchmuseum.org](http://www.clockandwatchmuseum.org)

### Bristol Adult Education Center

210 Redstone Hill Road, 584-7865  
ESL, GED, Prep, Credit Diploma,  
Online Classes & Continuing Education. Go to  
[www.bristol.k12.ct.us/adulted](http://www.bristol.k12.ct.us/adulted) for complete listing.

### Bristol Center for Arts & Culture

New England Carousel Museum, Museum of Fire  
History, Bushnell Park Carousel, Glo Sessions Gallery  
and changing fine art exhibitions,  
educational programs, gift shop, and special events.  
Hours - Open Thurs through Sat,  
10am-5pm and Sun from noon-5pm.  
95 Riverside Ave., 585-5411.  
[www.thecarouselmuseum.org](http://www.thecarouselmuseum.org)

### Bristol Historical Society & Museum

98 Summer Street, 583-6309.  
**Summer Hours:** Wed 10am-2pm; Saturdays Noon-  
4pm. Memorial Military Museum's Civil War Display,  
the "Made in Bristol" manufacturing exhibit, and the  
Sports Hall of Fame galleries open; free admission.  
[www.bristolhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.bristolhistoricalsociety.org)

### Bristol Hospital

Brewster Road, 585-3000  
Call Infolink at Bristol Hospital at 585-3661  
to register for various programs and support groups  
including cancer, diabetes and more.

### City of Bristol

111 N. Main Street, 584-6100  
[www.ci.bristol.ct.us](http://www.ci.bristol.ct.us)

### Greater Bristol Chamber of Commerce

200 Main Street, 584-4718 or check the website  
for a complete listing of networking events,  
business and membership services,  
and other Chamber initiatives.  
[www.bristol-chamber.org](http://www.bristol-chamber.org)

### Imagine Nation Museum

A Museum for Children and Families  
One Pleasant Street, 314-1400  
**Summer Hours from July 7-Aug 25:** Tues-Fri,  
9:30am-5pm, Sat, 11am-5pm, and Sun, 12pm-5pm.  
Closed Mondays & Tuesdays. Visit our old-fashioned  
1940's Soda Fountain from Redman Dairy. Enjoy air  
conditioned indoor seating. Museum admission not  
required to visit the Soda Fountain. Visit our website for  
information on upcoming special events.  
[www.imagenationmuseum.org](http://www.imagenationmuseum.org)

### Bristol Public Library

**Saturday Afternoons at the Bijou**  
Come reminisce with ol' time favorite movies. Fresh  
popcorn served. Call or stop by the library for a  
listing of the movies for this month. 2pm, Bristol  
Public Library, Meeting Rm 1, 5 High St, 584-7787 x2007.

### Literacy Volunteers of Central CT

Tutors are always needed and tutor-training  
workshops are offered throughout the year.  
For detailed information on how to help Bristol  
residents learn to read, please call toll-free:  
1-877-603-7323

### RSVP

RSVP is looking for men and women age  
55 and over to assist at non-profit agencies.  
Many varied opportunities available.  
Volunteering is rewarding and fun!  
55 South Street 584-9533

### Nicotine Anonymous

Meeting open every Saturday to anyone with a desire  
to stop using nicotine. 11:30am, Bristol Recovery  
Club, 67 West Street, 589-1066.

## GREEN ACRES FARM

1924 Perkins Street, Bristol

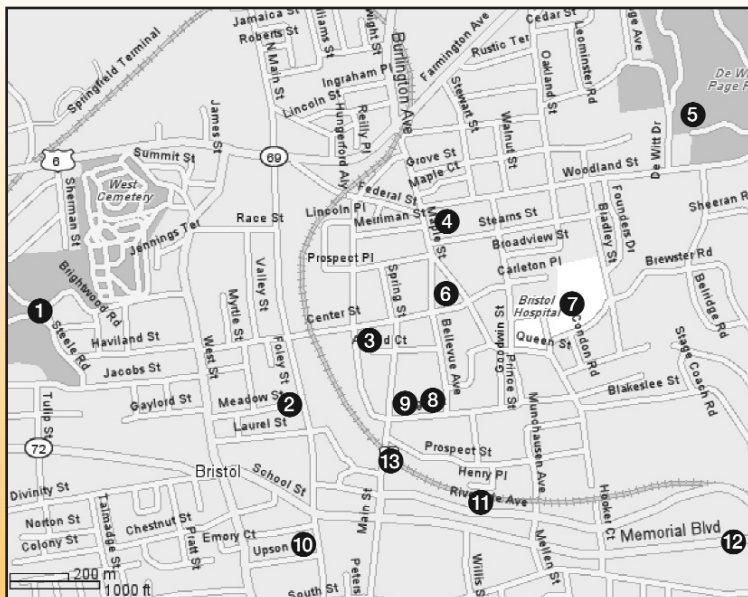
(near Chippens Hill Middle School)

Sweet Corn - Tomatoes - Squash - Cukes - Beans - Peppers  
Eggplant - Lettuce - Blueberries - Peaches - Nectarines  
Apples - Pears - Plums - Cantelope - Watermelon

**Farm Stand Open 7 Days a Week!**

M-F: 9am-7pm Sat: 9am-6pm Sun: 9am-5pm

## Map of Downtown Bristol



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|-------------------------|--|
| 1. Rockwell Park        | 8. Youth Services  |
| 2. City Hall            | 9. Public Library  |
| 3. Historical Society   | 10. Imagine Nation Museum  |
| 4. Clock & Watch Museum | 11. Bristol Center for Arts & Culture,<br>Carousel Museum                |
| 5. Page Park            | 12. Memorial Boulevard   |
| 6. Federal Hill Green   | 13. Chamber of Commerce, United Way,<br>Main Street Community Foundation |
| 7. Bristol Hospital     |  |



This community calendar is published by the Office of the Mayor, in conjunction with the Greater Bristol Chamber of Commerce. To submit information electronically to appear on the calendar, go to the calendar of events section at [www.bristol-chamber.org](http://www.bristol-chamber.org) or call the Chamber at 584-4718 for an event submission form. **The deadline for the September 2009 calendar is Monday, August 10, 2009.**