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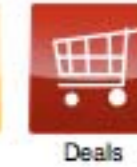
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Braintree recreation group trips announced for year

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Braintree — Nearly 40 different group trips have been organized for Braintree residents to take advantage of during 2010, the town's recreation and community events department has announced.

According to director William Hedlund, whether it be day trips throughout New England or overnight trips to Washington, D.C. or Toronto, Canada, this year's group trips program will be "the most ambitious program in this, the seventh and most ambitious program yet."

Four different Red Sox games at Fenway Park will be offered, but sales of tickets for three of these games will be restricted to residents only and a maximum of four tickets per buyer when these tickets are placed on sale at the department's office on March 31 at 5 p.m.

Tickets for a fourth game that were obtained through the department's tour company are currently on sale for the Red Sox game against the Minnesota

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Twins on the night of May 20.

Three different Boston Pops concerts are included on the trips listing.

On the night of May 21, the Boston Pops will present its "Honors America," and this concert will feature the Tanglewood Festival Chorus in the program.

On the night of May 29, a Ray Charles Boston Pops tribute program at Symphony Hall will be featured.

Finally, the Boston Pops by the Sea on the Hyannis Village Green that includes a luncheon and a Cape Cod Canal cruise will be held on Sunday, Aug. 1.

"We believe we have numerous trips for Braintree families to enjoy throughout the year," Hedlund said. "We're fortunate to work closely with Celebration Tours of Marina Bay in Quincy in assembling this varied listing of group trips. Whether it be casino trips to Foxwoods, Mohegan Sun, or Atlantic City or a lovely day trip to western Massachusetts for the Saturday, July 3 Tanglewood concert featuring James Taylor with Carole King or clambakes along the Maine seacoast, we have trips for all to enjoy."

Hedlund urged Braintree residents to either visit the department's office at 85 Quincy Ave. to pick up individual trip flyers for the year or access on-line by Googling www.braintreerec.com for a complete activities listing on the department's website.

Most of the trips listed have complete description flyers explaining further and all costs for these trips.

Residents are reminded that they must complete a trip application and either mail in their payment or come to the office to sign up in person.

At this time, on-line registrations cannot be accepted, but the department is hopeful that this service will be up and running by the end of the spring for all department activity registrations, with family accounts being established to honor credit card payments.

No credit card payments can be accepted at this time.

For further information on any trip or to have a complete trips listing mailed, residents are asked to call the department office at (781) 794-8901.

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