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Bill & Sam's Diner, located at 713 Wolcott Road, recently celebrated 50 Years of being in business. A celebration of the event took place at the diner with local dignitaries, friends and customers in attendance. In this photo, Mayor Tom Dunn presents a town citation plaque to owner Bill Kiazim, with Bill's wife standing next to him. Photography by Picard



Congratulations to Caden Effrece! He earned his black belt in Tang Soo Do on August 1, 2020. He was awarded the rank of Eagle Scout on January 28, 2021. Keep soaring high! We are so proud of you!
Love, Mom, Dad, Carter, and Carrigan



There is a sign of optimism that spring and golf season may be just around the corner at Farmingbury Hills Golf Course. The fourth hole flag flutters in the wind despite the fact several inches of snow surround it and the sight of golfers was nowhere to be found. Photography by Picard



A check presentation by Bill Acousti of Five Guys Flippin Pies to Wolcott High's Student Government members Sajida Hatush and Ella Vaughn, took place recently at the business, with Wolcott High teacher Wil Baoanda looking on. Bill donated 10% of a day's sales to the group who in turn put money raised towards the Coach Dave Pelletier Scholarship fund at the high school. Photography by Picard



Town Clerk Karen Mowad was recently inducted into the Marquis Who's Who in America 2021 publication for her dedication to her career and volunteer work.

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Patriots' Day Ceremony 2021

Wolcott will officially celebrate Patriots' Day on Monday, April 19, 2021. This year's ceremony will be streamed LIVE, via YouTube, at 6:00 pm from the American Legion Post 165. For more information and link to the ceremony please visit our website www.observepatriotsday.org

This annual event serves to honor local Veterans and celebrate our American Heritage & History. Patriots' Day marks the Battles of Lexington and Concord, April 19, 1775, which started the American Revolution, paving our path to freedom.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, we will need to limit the attending guests, while all others may enjoy the program streamed virtually. Program highlights will include: citations awarded by Mayor Thomas Dunn, Senator Rob Sampson and Representative Gale Mastrofrancesco, a presentation by Encore Singers and the Patriot Youth Ambassadors.

Nomination letters are now being accepted to help in the selection of this year's honorees. Please consider nominating a local Veteran, Serviceman or Servicewoman either living or deceased. Share with us how the individual has served our country and community throughout the years. Please email all nominations and correspondence by or before April 7th to the attention of Stacy Perrone-Petta: patriotsdayct@aol.com. Thank you for your support!

BIRTHDAYS

Pisces
February 19 – March 20
"The Fish"

Pisces are very friendly, so they often find themselves in a company of very different people. Pisces are selfless, they are always willing to help others, without hoping to get anything back.

Pisces is a Water sign and as such this zodiac sign is characterized by empathy and expressed emotional capacity.

Their ruling planet is Neptune, so Pisces are more intuitive than others and have an artistic talent. Neptune is connected to music, so Pisces reveal music preferences in the earliest stages of life. They are generous, compassionate and extremely faithful and caring. People born under the Pisces sign have an intuitive understanding of the life cycle and thus achieve the best emotional relationship with other beings.

Joseph Macary — March 7
AJ Mastrofrancesco — March 7
Michael Macary — March 20

Aries
March 21 – April 19
"The Ram"

As the first sign in the zodiac, the presence of Aries always marks the beginning of something energetic and turbulent. They are continuously looking for dynamic, speed and competition, always being the first in everything - from work to social gatherings. Aries is one of the most active zodiac signs. It is in their nature to take action, sometimes before they think about it well. Aries rules the head and leads with the head, often literally walking head first, leaning forwards for speed and focus. Its representatives are naturally brave and rarely afraid of trial and risk. They possess youthful strength and energy, regardless of their age and quickly perform any given tasks.

Danielle Mastrofrancesco — March 31
Cauna Silva — April 4 (former Wolcott resident)

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A Minute with the Clerk

by Karen Mowad, MCTC, MMC

I was surprised and honored when I was appointed by the Association of Connecticut Town Clerks to lead our group of New Clerks. Little did I know at that time that the world would change so much. Scheduling State Officials to speak would now mean making sure they all have correct zoom links. No print out of packets, only emails. No need for a meet and greet while eating lunch at the Armory. No directions to Hartford, no name badges, no fancy handbooks. Whether in person or over the internet, I will still share with the same advice that has served me well over my last 18 years in this field.



1. You must be willing to change with the changing times. Laws and procedures are constantly updated. Technologies are improving. Peoples way of life and needs are different then they were in the past.
2. Be kind and helpful. Diligent and efficient. We are here to serve the people of our Towns and Cities. Don't ever forget why we are here and what we were chosen to do. Take the job very serious, but yourself not so much. Enjoy the work and appreciate each day you can make a difference.
3. Until you learn all the answers, know who to call for help. A great support team is everything. Once you learn, reach out and help others.
4. Treat your staff well and they will treat the customers well. You will spend more time with your "work family" then you realize. When help is needed nights and weekends, your people will step up because they are invested in the team.
5. Don't forget where you came from. There is a reason many Town Clerks start as Assistants or office staff. You work your way up until you are ready. Be kind to other clerks and Assistants because you were once there. You are no more important than any other part of the working team.
6. There are no set hours. You work until the job is done. With limited resources, limited staff, and impossible deadlines, the work will get done because it has to get done.
7. Preserve the past for future generations. Treat each land record, vital record and map as if they belong to your own family.
8. Never stop your education. Even after your highest designation is reached, keep going and help educate your staff too. The job is never changing mix of following law, making good decisions, managing damage control, and finding a balance of priority. Its also about people, and people are always first.

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MAYOR'S CORNER

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After a cold, and snowy winter, I am looking forward to spring. Once the weather allows, our Public Works and Park and Recreation Departments will be out getting our parks and fields ready for the warm weather activities.



I would like to thank all of our Departments for their hard work during this winter season.

The Town of Wolcott will be celebrating our 225th Anniversary in 2021. A celebration is being planned for Saturday October 16th and Sunday October 17th 2021. We are in the initial planning stages and are looking for our local organizations and businesses to participate and or sponsor. Please contact my office for more information. 203-879-8100 ext. 102.

Please check our website for information regarding COVID-19 vaccination registration and scheduling at www.wolcottct.org

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The 2021 Legislative Session at a Glance

State Senator Rob Sampson — 16th District



Despite several months of saying that this would be a “very limited” legislative session due to the coronavirus pandemic, majority Democrats seem to be in overdrive mode, pushing a significant legislative agenda.

It’s a budget year, of course, which should have spelled great fear and trepidation.

However, the majority party is miraculously being bailed out by a huge federal stimulus that will allow them to temporarily avoid the chickens who were scheduled to roost on the mountains of red ink which decades of lousy budgeting created.

Legislative Democrats are pushing a so-called “public option” for insurance, which oddly turns the state comptroller--the guy who signs paychecks--into a powerful insurance czar. The plan itself is pure wealth redistribution, except of course for the cut taken by the state; and it will spell doom for the state’s flagship industry and higher premiums for most everyone - if it actually passes. The Democrats know this also, and I suspect they have little desire to see it actually become law. Virtue signaling on healthcare? — check.

You’ve probably also heard about the “mileage tax” and the “mansion tax.” It makes you wonder just how many taxes there would be without the federal government coming to the state’s rescue with a nice stack of grant dollars. What about spending reductions in government? That would seem to be required, since the private sector is on shaky ground because of big government lockdown orders. Well now, don’t hold your breath. Spending goes up several percentage points in both years of the biennium – and so does the deficit forecast in the out years. Don’t fret though. We live in the dawn of a new progressive era.

All of it makes me wonder why I am still in the game, shouting about the value of what actually makes America great – freedom and opportunity. Even more important-

a limited government that protects rights and stays out of the way of the pursuits and inevitable achievements of free citizens.

Possibly worse than the parade of bad policies is the method by which they will be pushed through.

Since the Governor’s first emergency executive order, I have been sounding the alarm that the majority party would use this pandemic to advance their political agenda. Not only have they continued to use the Governor’s expanded authority offensively, but they have eliminated people’s ability to participate in their government.

These virtual “zoom” sessions are an affront to the access to government our lawmaking process requires. Guilefully applied time limits on public hearings only add insult to injury when it comes to disenfranchising our public from participating in the lawmaking process. So far this session, we have seen Democrat committee chairs:

- Provide minimal notice ahead of important policy discussions to limit public input
- Pack agendas for hearings prohibiting the chance for fruitful discussion
- Stifle debate by cutting off commentary and questioning by members mid-hearing

They even turned away roughly 1800 of the 2100 people who wished to testify on a proposal removing religious freedom when it comes to vaccines for school children. Do those citizens not have the right to petition their government?

The news media has been mostly silent on these genuine concerns and the Democrat leadership is taking full advantage of that silence. They saw they could use unconstitutional changes to our election process for advantage this past November, and I presume they see no reason to let up.

Speaking of which, nothing is more important to the preservation of our American way of life, the future voice of Republicans in Connecticut, and the integrity of election process in general, than keeping a close eye on the Government Administration and Elections committee over the coming months.

Democrats hope to expand voting to incarcerated persons and 16 year olds, and to further diminish checks and

balances in the process by moving us away from in-person voting to expanding absentee and mail in balloting. They even have a proposal to fine voters \$20 for failure to participate in an election!

Unfortunately, if you are not well versed in some of these policies, early voting and no-excuse absentee voting seem harmless enough. The problem is that when it comes to election law, the devil is most definitely in the details. Nearly half the country has sincere doubts about the integrity of our election system.

Prudence would suggest we should be working on ways to increase public confidence, and that is where I am focused. I will again push for audits of election day registrants, audits of absentee ballots, instituting some (since we currently have none) method of signature verification for absentee voting, and requiring a photo ID for voting.

If the majority gets their way and none of my proposals to keep the system honest are adopted — and instead they further expand early and absentee voting — you can bet that the problems we have had in the past (mass swearing in ceremonies, magically-appearing bags of ballots, polls not closing on time, as well as known and documented types of voter fraud) will seem insignificant in 2022.

Open and accurate elections are a cornerstone of our democracy. Without them, what rights do we really have left? I implore my fellow citizens in both parties to pay close attention to the details when it comes to these policies. Expanding voting access is indeed important, but the public trust in the process must be restored. I am committed to that goal.

As always you can reach me at www.senatorsampson.com.

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Waterbury New Listing: \$124,900 Located in the heart of the Town Plot, this spacious Raised Ranch offers great potential. Features hardwood flooring throughout the main floor, finished lower level with possible in law, 3 bedrooms, 1 and two 1/2 baths, 2 car garage all on a great level lot. Needs TLC and updating (kitchen, baths, painting and basement flooring). Won't last... call Bridget today!
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Wolcott, \$524,900 Experience luxurious living in this unique, modern contemporary colonial that boasts over 4200 sqft of living space on a private 1.92 acre lot. Features 4 bedrooms, 3 bathrooms, custom & modern-style eat-in-kitchen with granite & stainless appliances & an open floor plan with light bamboo hardwood floors throughout. Massive great room measuring (34 x 32), first floor office, and a 3 car garage.
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Wolcott, LOT FOR SALE \$169,900 Rare approved building lot up for sale. waterfront property on Hitchcock Lake! Owners had a design (blueprints) to accommodate a 2500 sqft single family. Contemporary house with a 2 car garage. Fantastic opportunity to build your dream home with amazing lake views! Town sewer in the street.
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Waterbury, New Listing \$175,000 Beautiful 3 bedroom Ranch located in the Town Plot section of Waterbury. This home boasts 2490 total sqft of living space with a finished walk-out basement w/ (in-law) potential. The lower level features a second kitchen, full bath, additional bedroom and bonus room.
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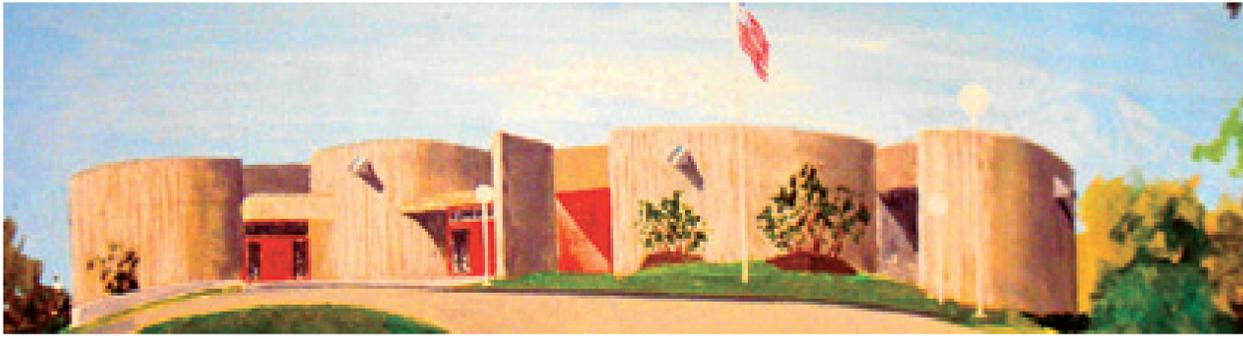
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Wolcott Library News

The Wolcott Public Library will be hosting some virtual programs in the month of March.

The Bee Lady, Catherine Wolko, will be doing a Zoom presentation for children, Honeybees and Me, on Wednesday, March 3rd at 4:30 p.m. Participants can pick up kits for the event at the library starting February 24th. To register, email mmorin@biblio.org or call 203-879-8110 x5.

The library will host a virtual book club meeting on Wednesday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m. This month's pick is *The Bookish Life of Nina Hill* by Abby Waxman. This hilarious read follows

introvert and bookworm Nina Hill as she discovers if real life can live up to fiction. Copies of the book are available at the library. For more information or to register, email hschulz-vendrella@biblio.org or call 203-879-8110, x301.



Wolcott Public Library's new tables and chairs, purchased with funds from the Everybody Learns Grant

On Thursday, March 11th at 6:00 p.m., Paul Coburn, Wildlife Conservationists will host a Zoom presentation entitled *The Wildlife and Connecticut's Changing Landscape*. This informative program provides a natural history of CT, addresses the state of wildlife, including major species and factors affecting them, plus much more. For more information or to register please call the library.

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day virtually with Francine and Joel as they perform *An Irish Song Celebration* on Thursday, March 18th at 2:00 p.m. This fun, lively program incorporates music,



New STEAM kidkits are now available at Wolcott Public Library

Irish humor, and a wee bit of step dancing. If this time does not work for you, the video will be available to the public between March 18 and March 25 for you to view at your convenience.

Please check out our website at www.wolcottlibrary.org for updates and to see all that the Wolcott Library has to offer to the community. For information on these programs or future programming, please call the library at 203 879 8110.

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Here's how to change your daily habits to get the bright, healthy smile you want;

Avoid enamel damage. The layer of protective enamel on your teeth is your first defense against cavities, but certain foods and drinks such as sodas, sticky sweets, fruit drinks and sugary snacks strip it away, produces acids that attack the enamel and promotes tooth decay.

Eat nutrient-rich foods. For good dental health, it's important to eat foods from each of the five major food groups. This ensures that your teeth get the essential nutrients they need. Calcium, found in dairy products and leafy greens and phosphorous found in proteins such as eggs, fish, poultry, meat, and dairy, are all essential to protect and restore the enamel on your teeth.

Limit snacks. Too much snacking isn't only bad for your waistline; it's bad for your smile, too. Foods eaten as part of a meal cause less harm to teeth than eating lots of snacks because more saliva is released during a meal that helps wash foods from the mouth and lessens the effects of acids that can harm teeth and cause cavities. As some snacking is inevitable, best to choose something healthy such as cheese, veggies, nuts, or fruit.

Don't smoke or use tobacco. Smoking and using any kind of tobacco stains your teeth, but it also affects your whole mouth. It causes gum disease, which can lead to tooth loss as well as oral cancer.

Limit teeth-staining culprits. Coffee, tea, and red wine are some of the biggest culprits for dulling your smile. They have intense color pigments called chromogens that attach to the enamel. To help counteract stains, consider using fluoride toothpaste that also whitens teeth, or ask your dentist about whitening treatments to help reverse any damage.

Drink plenty of water. It's healthy and free and great for your oral health. It's one of the best things you can do for your teeth, especially if it's fluoridated. The fluoride helps strengthen your teeth and ward off tooth decay while the keep your mouth moist, clean and washes away food particles that bacteria feed on.

Chew sugar-free gum. It's always beneficial to brush between meals, but if you can't, chew sugar-free gum. Chewing gum increases the flow of saliva, washes away food and other debris and neutralizes acids produced by bacteria in the mouth.

See your dentist regularly. Be sure to get regular cleanings and checkups in order to spot dental problems. Early diagnosis and treatment of dental issues is often simpler and more affordable. It is also important as some diseases or medical conditions have symptoms that can appear in the mouth. Schedule regular checkups with your dentist so your smile is bright, white, and healthy, and to know you're doing all you can for your teeth.

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Recently we were asked WHY WE BOTHERED to air the meetings of the Town of Wolcott for the past eight years and the answer is simple!

While the turmoil of government in our nation continues to bleed with printing ink and the pro this or pro that blast your news programming on cable, there are important things happening in our own back yards. Things that you and I HAVE control over and can voice our opinion about. But we can't become involved if we don't know about the things that effect your wallet, streets, safety and children. The town budget that plans for the coming year is currently under construction and will mean the difference between improvement and status quo. The difference continuing our solid education system and letting it fall by the wayside.

Wolcott Governmental TV provides you with the transparency of your home town to know what's going on with more than the few lines on page 3 of the area newspaper. You can hear it live or catch a rebroadcast on the wlct96.org, Skye Cable channel 96 and Frontier channel 6107 and decide how your government affects you and decide if you need to affect your government.

As you have observed, local Town Meetings have been held in the Internet ZOOM/WEBINAR format and will continue that way into the foreseeable future. With the hi-definition equipment recently installed at your town hall facility, we have been able to air live and replays of the Town Council, Planning & Zoning, Parks & Recreation, Acquired Facilities and Wolcott Board of Education meetings and we plan to continue to provide this town government transparency to your homes. The picture quality and audio seem to be something you like and we appreciate your comments.

At the time of this writing, we find little to offer in the way of new content so barring something which will occur (that we can wear masks for) our programming will include the high points of 2020. These will be in addition to the regular town government meetings.

We continue to work with the staff and management of Skye Cable 13 to provide the Wolcott Comcast subscribers with Wolcott content on Comcast channel 96.

Suggestions and programming comments are always welcome and can be addressed to www.wolcottgovernmentaltv@gmail.com.

Date	Day	Time	Program
3/1/2021	Mon.	7:00pm	LIVE: Park Rec. Aquired Meeting
3/2/2021	Tues.	7:00pm	LIVE: Council Mtg.
3/3/2021	Daily	12pm & 6pm	REPLAY: Council Mte
3/3/2021	Wed.	6:30pm	LIVE: Planning & Zoning Meeting
3/4/2021	Daily	1pm & 7pm	REPLAY: Planning & Zoning Meeting
3/6 & 3/7/2021	Sat & Sun	2pm & 8pm	CASA Information
3/8/2021	Mon.	7:30pm	LIVE: Board of Education Meeting
3/9/2021	Daily	11am & 5pm	REPLAY: Board of Education Meeting
3/13 & 3/14/2021	Sat & Sun	Various	Concerts
3/16/2021	Tues.	7:00pm	LIVE: Town Council Meeting
3/16/2021 & Daily	Wed.	12pm & 6pm	REPLAY: Town Council Meeting
3/16/2021	Wed.	6:30pm	LIVE: Planning & Zoning Meeting
3/17/2021	Daily	1pm & 7pm	REPLAY: Planning & Zoning Meeting
3/20 & 3/21/2021	Sat & Sun	All Day	To be Determined
3/27 & 3/28/2021	Sat & Sun	All Day	Easter Egg Hunts

Removal of Religious Exemption for Mandatory School Vaccinations Again Before the Legislature



State Representative Gale Mastrofrancesco Representing Wolcott & Southington

Two extremely contentious bill proposals concerning the removal of Connecticut's religious exemptions and non-medical exemptions for mandatory school vaccina-

tions, which has been codified in state statute for 60 years, have reemerged this legislative session. If passed this policy would prohibit children from attending public or private school, regardless of their objection to even one specific vaccination or all vaccinations.

The bill proposals House Bill 6423, and Senate Bill 568 were again met with strong opposition, despite this year's public hearing being held virtually via Zoom and YouTube.

Senate Bill 568 would eliminate the nonmedical exemption to the immunization requirement for individuals attending public or private school from pre-kindergarten through grade twelve, individuals in higher education and children in day care settings. Under House Bill 6423, only students in grades seven and up who have an existing religious exemption are grandfathered in.

While I personally am not opposed to vaccinations; I am in staunch opposition to the State Government mandating immunizations for students despite their religious practices. This bill is discriminatory and will further strip away religious, individual, and parental rights. The Connecticut Constitution guarantees every child the right to a "free public elementary and secondary education". It also guarantees every person's

right to exercise religious profession without discrimination and prohibits denial of equal protection under the law based on religion.

Nearly 2,000 individuals signed up to testify before the legislature's Public Health Committee during a public hearing held on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 and more than 3,500 pieces of testimony had been submitted. Despite the massive number of individuals signed up to testify, the hearing was capped at 24-hours and only 236 speakers were heard.

To reintroduce bill proposals like this during a public health crisis, in a virtual public hearing, and without listening to all public testimony is shameful and inexcusable and sheds light on how tone deaf the Democrat-controlled legislature is. If public input and conversation about vaccinations and health can be censored, what will be next.

Regardless of an individual's personal beliefs, government officials are called to listen first and be transparent. The public should be welcomed by legislators to participate in - not be shut out of - the democratic law-making process.

These proposals also send the wrong message during a time when children and the education system has been devastated. The legislature needs to start listening and stop pushing proposals that would force children out of school and residents out of this state.

Personal freedoms and rights should always be protected and government cannot overstep and overreach as these bill proposals intend to do.

As always, please contact me should you have any questions about this topic or concerns on any other issues relating to state government at Gale.Mastrofrancesco@housegop.ct.gov or at (800) 842-1423.

Wolcott Park & Recreation

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Due to current COVID 19 restrictions, this year's celebration will be a drive-through event.

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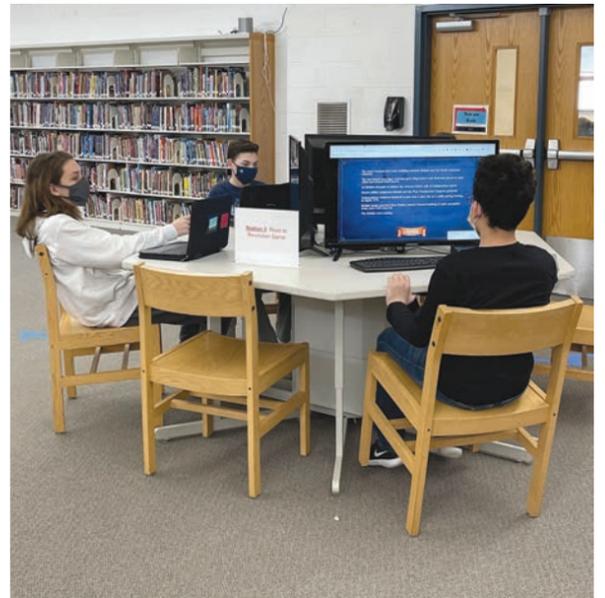
Raffle is to be drawn on Monday, and winners will be notified by phone.

Target on Tyrrell



Congratulations to Tyrrell Middle School February Students of the Month!

Nicole Stomski, Melissa Prescott, Cameron Cleary, Lucian Thompson, Aedan Rabtoy, Drew Caouette, Brianna Mowad, Bradyn Surreira, and Isaiah Cruz

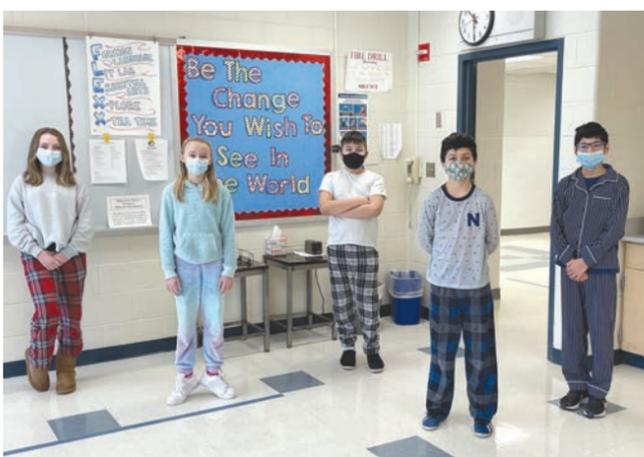


Grade 8 Social Studies students visited the media center to learn more about the American Revolution. Students will use the information they gathered to create arguments for a class debate.

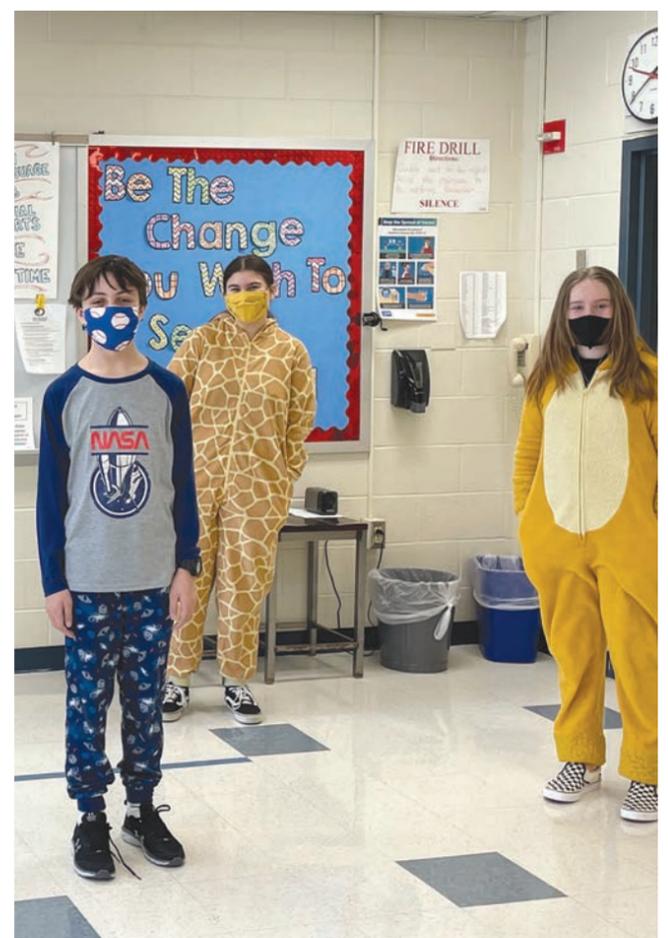


After studying a unit on author's craft, Mr. Kelsey joined Ms. Cullen's and Mrs. Brammer's classes for integrated art lessons. Mr. Kelsey helped students recreate art from Roald Dahl's stories after learning about his illustrator, Quentin Blake's, artistic style.

Tyrrell Middle School Pajama Day



On Friday, February 12th, Tyrrell Middle School joined with other schools and businesses across the state to honor patients who must wear their pajamas for days, weeks, or longer while fighting cancer or other serious illnesses. Students and staff raised \$1,068.75 for Connecticut Children's Medical Center.



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It's the final weeks of Cookie Season! Get in touch with a local Girl Scout today to grab your favorite cookies before they're gone. You can also find local cookie booths by downloading the "Girl Scout Cookie Finder" app!

Wolcott Girl Scouts are still meeting and thriving through COVID!

Junior Troop 60615 took a virtual class with the Norwalk Aquarium to earn their Animal Habitats badge!

Junior Troop 60633 continues to come together virtually on a weekly basis. They have completed many badges including Animal Habitat, Staying Fit, the aMUSE Journey, Cookie CEO and more! The girls also had fun participating in a virtual campout weekend. These Junior girls are now leading their own meetings and teaching skills like Playdoh art and healthy snack making; while also having fun and playing games!

Brownie Troop 64153 recently had a virtual movie watch party! The girls chatted both before and after the movie and enjoyed their time together.

Brownie Troop 64233 celebrated the new year by making origami wish boxes. The girls wrote on heart shaped pieces of paper their biggest wishes for 2021.

Brownie Troop 64236 continue to build their Courage, Confidence, and Character through meeting and working on badges.

Junior Troop 64541 took a trip to Camp An Se Ox to finally go snowshoeing together as a Troop. The girls



enjoyed the day working on their Trailblazer Hiker badge!

Junior Troop 64701 has almost completed their Bronze award.

Many Girl Scouts across our Service Unit participated in the Girl Scouts of the United States of America National Service Project #Cupidcrew. Our girls created enough cards for every resident of the Wolcott View Manor. Thank you to Troop 60615 Co-Leader Crystal Desmarais for coordinating our project locally!

Are you interested in supporting our Wolcott Girl Scouts? We have a limited supply of #Girl Scout #Strong lawn signs. They are \$20 each. Proceeds will go towards activities for our local troops. If you have any questions or are interested in purchasing a sign, please contact Regina Lynch at regina.m.lynch@gmail.com, or 860-681-5473, or follow this link: <https://wolcott-lawn-signs.cheddarup.com>

Pictured are our #cupidcrew valentine's cards and #girlscout #strong lawn signs available for purchase.



Boy Scout Troop 230 Update

Scouts BSA Troop 230 spent January busily continuing scouting fun. The Scouts met weekly via Zoom to practice scouting essentials like first aid, knot tying, and knife safety. The Scouts also continued to give back to the Wolcott community by spending time removing wreaths and cleaning up at Edgewood Cemetery. They also conducted a flag retirement ceremony. The boys participated in a 5 mile hike and an orienteering course at Five Ponds White Memorial in Litchfield. Weathering the cold temperatures, the scouts worked on map and compass use, as well as identifying plants and wildlife.

The scouts have begun meeting in person on Saturdays at the Woodtick Recreation Cabin thanks to Mayor Dunn and the Town of Wolcott. Here they are working on more scouting skills as they prepare for the annual Klondike Derby. They boys will also be assisting the Cub Scouts Pack 230 during their Cub Blizzard.

The troop will hold a Bottle and Can Drive on Saturday March 27 9AM to 3PM at 47 North Street (around back).

As always, BSA Troop 230 is collecting cans and bottles at 47 North Street (around back) in the drop off box anytime. Or more information on scouting, contact boyscouttroop230ct@aol.com



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Around Town Photography by Roger Picard



Sometimes our photographer comes across some unusual sights during his travels to capture events or happenings in our town, and this image is an example of that. You never know what you will see outside Dave Shea's Elephant Barn on Center Street. We assume this gentleman is taking a break after sweeping out the barn.



State Representative Gale Mastrofrancesco and State Senator Rob Sampson were on hand at the Bill & Sam's Diner's 50 Years of being in business celebration. Gale and Rob presented Bill Kiazim with a State of CT Official Citation, recognizing the occasion. The event was organized by Pat McKinney of Wolcott's Department of Economic Development.



The **Wolcott Volunteer Fire Dept.** responded to house fire at 309 Beach Road on February 13th. All three Wolcott companies responded and quickly got the fire under control, but the house received extensive damage as a result of the fire. The fire was called in by a passing motorist who saw flames coming out of some front windows to the home. No injuries were reported.



The **Wolcott Park and Recreation Dept.** has flooded one of the courts at Peterson Park for visitors to use as an ice skating rink. Over the years the town has always tried to provide an area for the winter activity.



Boy Scout Troop 230 recently collected all the wreaths that were placed on Veteran's grave sites at Edgewood Cemetery during the Christmas holiday season, in association with Wreaths Across America, and disposed of them by burning them. The scouts also performed proper disposal of old and tattered American flags at the cemetery.



The Wolcott Chamber of Commerce newest Customer Rewards Program winner for the month of February is Dora Pich of Lone Oak Ave. She is seen here, second in from the right, receiving a \$50.00 gift certificate from Nutmeg Farms co-owner Bobby Skabardonis. Dora and her husband Ray are frequent customers at Nutmeg Farms, hence the reason she selected a gift certificate from them. Pictured with Dora and Bobby, are Nutmeg employees Anastasia Skabardonis and Flora Garcia.

Wakelee Kids Step Out!

SNOW DAY FUN!



Phoenix Chapman's Snowman



Kevin Mzaaber's Snowman



Madison Cormier's Alligator



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- Mrs. Colgate - Kaylee Schaeffer
- Mrs. Murphy - Olivia Threlfall
- Mrs. Montowski - Brianna Taylor
- Mrs. Talbot - Mia Finke
- Mrs. Couture - Anastasia Gallaher
- Mrs. Klemenz - Jackson Menzies
- Mrs. Matozzo - Olivia Sirois
- Mrs. Ciarleglio - Logan Zimmerman
- Mrs. Falencki - Joshua Pina
- Mrs. Kane - Chase Maldonado
- Mrs. Abucewicz - Doreen Cajuste
- Mrs. McCasland - Alexa Rossi
- Mrs. Giglio - Logan Distasio
- Miss Jenkins - Oscar Krzyzewski
- Mrs. D'Alessandro - Stanley Bartkowiak
- Mrs. Calabro - Leon Chen
- Mrs. Nori - Franco Lopez
- Miss DiTota - Lily Rusc

Congratulations to the Wakelee Snowman Decorating Contest Winners!



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Obituaries / Memoriams

Raymond D. Fasano Sr., 89, Wolcott Resident since 1971 entered into the gates of heaven on Tuesday, December 22, 2020, at Hartford Hospital. He was the beloved husband of Alma J. (Simmons) Fasano of 71 years.



Ray was born in Waterbury, CT on March 29, 1931, son of the late Fred and Carmella (Iulicci) Fasano. Ray was President of The Five Star Co. in Plantsville and later owner of Classic Coil Co. in Bristol for many years.

After retirement, Ray enjoyed the continued interaction with employees and customers. Ray had a heart of gold and a unique ability to make life long friends wherever he went. He loved spending time in his "Winter Nest" in Naples, Florida with his wife, family and friends. Ray was an avid fan of the UCONN Girls Basketball Team, traveling, golf, dining out and nurturing his variety of trees and plants. He was a long time Country Club of Waterbury member, Life Member of the Elks Club and also belonged to The Cercemaggior Community Club.

Besides his beloved wife Alma of Wolcott, Ray leaves behind to cherish his memory his children, Carolyn Nadeau and her husband Edward, Raymond D. Fasano Jr. and his wife Rose, Donna M. Pisani and her husband Renato all of Wolcott, Nancy N. LaPorta and her husband Al of Bristol and a daughter-in-law, Susan Fasano of Killingworth. He also leaves behind his six grandchildren whom he loved and adored, Raymond D. Fasano III and his wife Tiffany of Wolcott, Zachary Fasano of Middletown, Karisa Fasano of Harwinton, Lauren Plantier and her husband, Matt of Killingworth, Al LaPorta II and Anthony LaPorta both of Bristol, a great granddaughter, Livia Plantier, several nieces and nephews and his beloved cat, Figaro. He was predeceased by his son, Pasquale R. Fasano.



Pursuant to Connecticut General Statute Section 13a-73(b), the State of Connecticut, Department of Transportation, publishes this required notice to Ina M. MacLeod, or her surviving spouse, heirs, administrators, assigns, representatives or creditors, regarding a parcel of unimproved land on the westerly side of Present Wolcott Road and bounded by Present Wolcott Road, Old Highway (now discontinued), and Mad River and is in the vicinity of the intersection of Present Wolcott Road, Present MacCormack Drive, and Present Hillside Drive. The Department of Transportation intends to acquire by condemnation said property which is necessary for the Replacement of Bridge No. 03240 Route 69 over Mad River, in the Town of Wolcott. Any person claiming or having an interest of record therein for said property is requested to contact the Department of Transportation at (860) 594-2394 for more information.



George Avak passed away at his home in Wolcott on Sunday, January 24th 2021.

From "fastest gun alive", to country singer, to "butterfly man" - George was an entertainer, entrepreneur, and all around character. Wolcott won't be the same without him. Full obituary can be found online at: Legacy.com

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Exchange Club of Wolcott 2021 Scholarship Award Program

The Exchange Club of Wolcott is offering four scholarships of \$1000.00 each to residents of Wolcott completing their high school's senior year at WHS or another high school. Three of our scholarships are established in the names of past Exchange Club members - Mr. William Lyga, Mr. Joseph Petruzzi, and Mr. Dennis Desaulniers. Awards are based on the applicant's academics, school involvement, community involvement and need. Applications, guidelines, and deadlines are available at Wolcott High School's Counseling Department, at Wolcott Public Library, and on the Exchange Club of Wolcott's website - <https://exchangeclubofwolcott.com>, or on Facebook. Deadline for applications is April 20, 2021.

Junior Women's Club of Wolcott Scholarship



The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott is sponsoring three \$750 scholarship opportunities for Wolcott residents who will be graduating in June 2021. The applications are in the Wolcott High School's Guidance Department and the

Wolcott High school web site. The Arts Scholarship is for any student who is furthering his or her education (major or minor) in some field of the ARTS or has a genuine interest in the ARTS through participation and or education. The Lucille Jablonski Community Service Scholarship is for any student who is furthering his or her education and has played an active role in community service and/or volunteerism. These activities must be listed in the student's application. The Patricia Najarian Scholarship is for an average student who is achieving his or her full scholastic potential and needs financial assistance. The applications must be mailed to The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott, PO Box 6116, Wolcott, CT 06716.

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PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT Sage Scholarships

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\$39 million of free scholarship aid has not been requested by parents. This offer expires at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.

To register, go to www.tuitionrewards.com. Click on "Sign Up" and look for "Wolcott Public Schools." When prompted, enter registration code "Hartford."

Frederick Townsend, Wolcott

Farmingbury Women's Club of Wolcott Scholarship



The Farmingbury Women's Club of Wolcott will be offering two (2) \$500 scholarships to the Class of 2021 graduating high school seniors. Graduating seniors must be a resident of Wolcott and planning to attend an accredited institution

of higher learning. Graduating students who do not attend Wolcott High School are eligible for a scholarship and should contact their schools Guidance Office. WHS students will find the scholarship application in the WHS Naviance database. Any questions please contact Carleen Van Blarcom at cvanbl@yahoo.com.

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Wolcott Lions Scholarships for 2021

The Wolcott Lions Encourage
All Wolcott Students to Apply:

The Wolcott Lions will again be offering six (6) \$2000.00 scholarships to the Class of 2021 graduating high school seniors, who reside in Wolcott, and are planning to attend accredited institutions of higher learning. Applications can be downloaded from <http://wolcottlions.com/wolcottlionsscholarship.html>. Applications must be fully completed and submitted by April 23, 2021. You may deliver the completed application by email to wolcottlions.scholarship@yahoo.com. or you can drop off your application at to Rene Swiss @ 14 Townline Road, Wolcott, CT 06716. Any questions call Rene Wisler at 203-879- 4822. Late applications WILL NOT be considered.



Dennis Antonacci Jr. Scholarship

Dennis is a former Wolcott student who was lost to suicide. We honor his memory each year by awarding this scholarship to one graduating Wolcott High School student. Candidate must be pursuing a career in social work, counseling or psychology. For further requirements and to download an application, please visit us at: www.dennisjrscholarship.org



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\$314,900

WOLCOTT — The Exeter model to be built in Heritage Hill. Open floor plan with vaulted ceilings in great room. Gas fireplace, granite counter tops in kitchen, master bedroom and master bedroom bath on main level w/ study. Upstairs offers 2 bedrooms, full bath and unfinished bonus room. **NON AGE RESTRICTED**. City water and city sewers. Natural gas heating. Take a look at this community!



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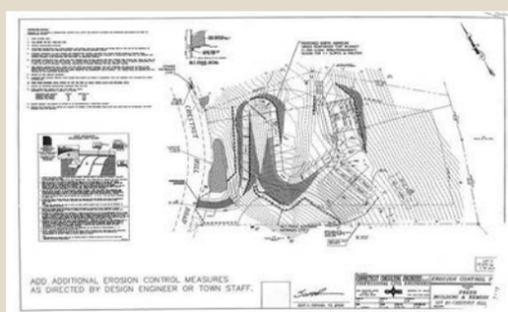
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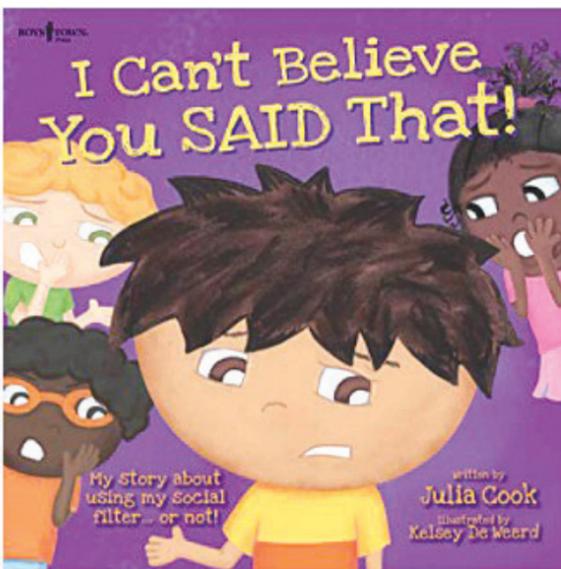
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Focus On Frisbie



Frisbie fourth and fifth graders had the opportunity to participate in the state's yearly fire prevention poster contest. Congratulations to our bees! Ellie Barsch, Olta Korcari, London Parker, Avery Threlfall, Thomas-James Lumia, and Brody Mowad. Students were acknowledged and rewarded at Company #1 Firehouse.

Project Explore students organized a food drive to benefit the Wolcott Food Pantry. Students brought in non-perishable goods and placed them in a box for the team they wanted to win the Super Bowl. The Frisbie community predicted the Tampa Bay Buccaneers to be victorious. Thank you for all the generous donations. Pictured in the photo are Lena Croce and Mallory Grant, two fourth grade students.



Frisbie School Principal, Mrs. Kim Murtaugh, read "I Can't Believe You Said That," by Julia Cook to Miss Taylor's 3rd grade class. Third grade students then discussed the value of "thinking before speaking".



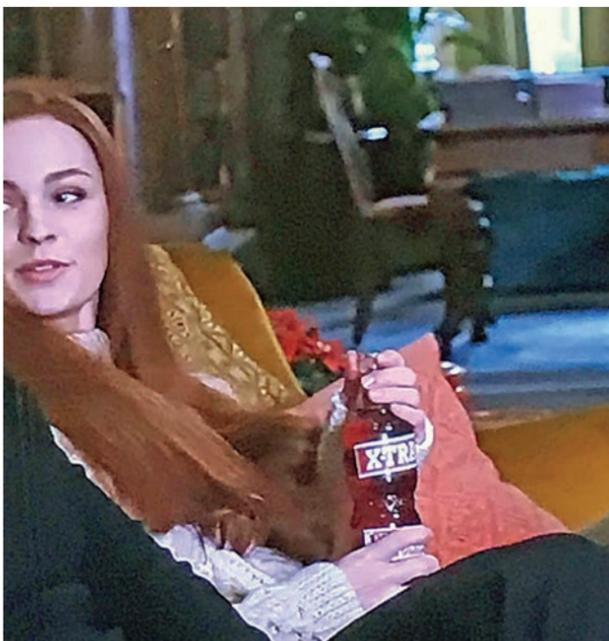
Wolcott Historical Society - February 2021



by Florence Goodman

I'm a firm believer that things happen for a reason and this month's article confirmed that thought! Last month we received an email on our website from a woman who was wondering if X-TRA drinks were available in Boston in 1968. She and her friends had been watching a TV series "Outlander" based on a book series written by Diane Gabaldon and saw a woman drinking a bottle of X-TRA soda in one of the episodes. She started researching the soda and it brought her to our Historical Society website. She could not understand though how a soda made in Wolcott could end up in Boston and thought it might be an error in the show taping. I wasn't surprised when I read her email because a few weeks prior to this Roberta Leonard had sent me a text with pictures showing someone drinking X-TRA soda; and she had the same question. This led me to Al Podzunas because I knew that his family had owned the company at one time and I had wanted to get his story, which turned out to be very interesting.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Relyea started X-TRA Beverage Inc. in the 1940s in a small bottling plant located at 216 Munson Road in Wolcott. They had a wide variety of flavors such as strawberry, lime, cherry, orange, cola, root and birch beer. Their glass bottles were uniquely shaped and today are sought after. The wooden cases of soda were available to the public at the plant, but most of it was delivered by truck to residents' homes in Wolcott, Waterbury and Bristol. There was also another company



Snapshot of woman, from the series "Outlander" holding an X-TRA soda bottle. — Photo by Roberta Leonard

of the same name located in Springfield, Massachusetts, but I do not know who owned it or how long it was in business, but their bottles and soda were identical to the ones found in Wolcott. I can understand how this soda could have made its way to Boston from the Springfield area in the year 1968.

Water is the main ingredient in producing soda as well as for sterilizing those glass bottles and when the well was dug at the bottling plant on Munson Road they hit an aquifer, which produced 365 gallons of water/ hour! This was unheard of, but a real plus for this small soda company and during the flood of 1955 people from surrounding towns who needed drinking water were allowed to fill containers with well water at no charge.

In the 1970s Peter Relyea took over the business from his dad. He along with his son, Peter produced the soda, ran the store and made deliveries. There were six routes throughout the area that his son handled. They ran the



Today, the property at 216 Munson Road where X-TRA Beverage was produced is owned by Dave Goldberg.

business until 1979 when it was sold to Al Podzunas Sr. Mr. Podzunas, also known as Albie, ran the company with the help of his wife, Margaret and his sons, Al and Bobby. Mr. Podzunas was a toolmaker by trade and could repair the old machinery when needed. His wife would help with loading the cases of soda while Bobby ran the store in the daytime and did deliveries and although Al Jr. had another job, he worked at the business on weekends.

When Mr. Relyea sold the business he left his recipe book on how he made the soda, which used pure cane sugar and well water to produce the brine. Once the brine was made extracts, caramel and different colorings were added depending on the flavor they wanted to make. Next, dry ice (CO2) was added. The ice was stored in large tanks and when added to the brine infused the carbonation to the liquid. They would use 1.5 ounces of brine and then fill it with seltzer and rotate it to activate the CO2 in the water. The machinery for the soda making process was gravity fed so all the soda was made upstairs in the building and it worked its ways down to ground level where the uniquely shaped 12 ounce, glass bottles were filled, capped and loaded into wooden cases. The whole process was 100% recyclable because once you purchased a case of soda (\$3.85 delivered) you would replace it each time with a new case. The used bottles were brought back to the factory to be sterilized and refilled with new soda. You could mix and match flavors of your choice as well.



A wooden X-TRA soda case found at the Center School History Museum. On each side of the case are two bottles with slightly different labels. The soda ingredients were listed on the crown cap.

When soda machines became popular, probably in the late 1940s, they were filled with eight ounce soda bottles. Since X-TRA soda was an oddly shaped twelve-ounce bottle, it could not fit in these machines. In the late 1970s Mr. Relyea purchased Paul's Soda Company in Waterbury in order to use their eight-ounce bottles in the hope of getting their soda into the soda machines, but it was Al Podzunas that finally achieved that goal. The bottle

label may have said Paul's, but it was X-TRA soda inside. X-TRA soda came in 36 different flavors and was found throughout the Wolcott/Bristol/Waterbury areas, but as time passed the competition became tough. When Diamond ginger ale went out of business, X-TRA beverages started making orange dry, lime ricky and half and half for local bars hoping to improve profits. There was a store on Lakewood Road called the "Pop Shop" and although they sold their soda at a similar price their location and variety of soda and flavors was taking business from the X-TRA business. Then around 1985 when plastic liter and 2-liter bottles became popular this was the downfall of the glass bottle business. As Al explained to me, retooling would have been a major expense, which may still not have produced the profit needed to continue the business so the X-TRA Beverage Company on Munson Road in Wolcott closed its doors in 1985.

For those of you who have never experienced the taste of that great soda, you don't know what you were missing because it sure tasted great!! The Wolcott Historical Society is lucky to at least have a case of X-TRA soda at our museum, but it's EMPTY, I'm sorry to say. A special thank you to Al Podzunas Jr. for sharing with me this great history of his family's business. Today Dave Goldberg owns the building at 216 Munson Road that once housed the X-TRA Beverage Company.

(Information for this article was taken from a phone interview with Al Podzunas, Jr.; information from wolcotthistory.org on X-TRA soda; and a photo from Roberta Leonard from "Outlanders" TV series)

Visit our WebPages at (<http://www.wolcotthistory.org/>). Our website is filled with interesting information about the Society and Wolcott history. You can also download a membership application there. We are always looking for old photos, milk bottles, postcards, & artifacts relating to Wolcott. Please contact our curator, Carl Hotkowski at 203-592-8237 or Flo Goodman at 203-879-9818

The Wolcott Historical and WHS Graphics Arts Department have produced a beautiful historic calendar to celebrate our upcoming 225th. If you would like to purchase a 225th Celebration Calendar for the year 2021 they are available for a \$5 donation. Each month has an old photo and a link to our website. Call Flo Goodman at 203-879-9818.

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One of the posters advertising X-TRA soda found on the Wolcott Historical Society website.

Junior Women's Club of Wolcott Happenings



March is usually a busy month for us, we always sponsor a fundraiser Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun Casino during this time of year. So next year please remember that we will be sponsoring our two bus trips to Mohegan Sun, one in March and one in October. We offer 6 hours at the casino, a \$15.00 gaming voucher and \$15.00 food/shopping vouchers; as well as free raffle tickets and refreshments, all included in the ticket price. The bus trips help us to support our community projects, including but not limited to scholarships, Toys for Tots, and our Fuel fund.

This is a reminder to call the Red Cross or go online at www.redcross.org to reserve your spot to donate blood at our Blood Drive; location is the St. Pius X Church Hall, March 20th. Come down and donate, remember that the American Red Cross needs your help to stop winter weather from giving hospital patients the cold shoulder. Those who are eligible to donate are urged to cozy up to giving blood, platelets or plasma to help hospital patients this February and throughout the pandemic.

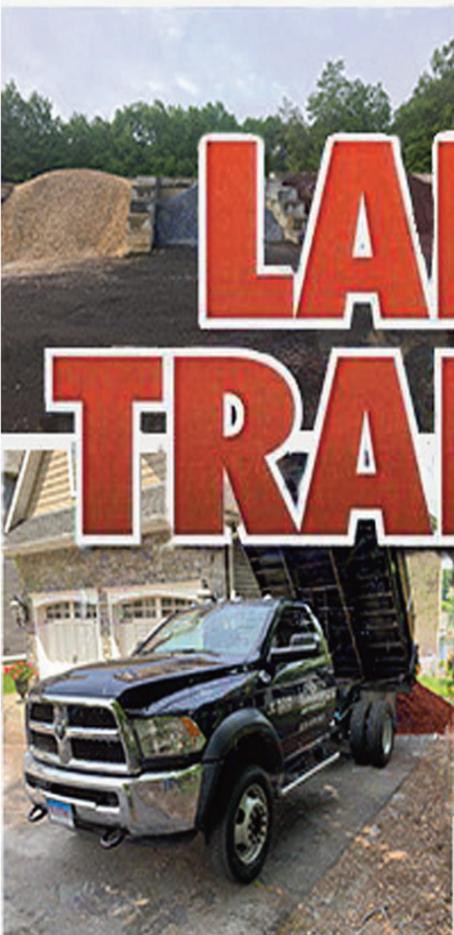
The Arts committee will be voting on one essay from each elementary school (Alcott, Frisbie and Wakelee) for the Creative Writing Contest, "What's Best about Wolcott". Taking into consideration from past years, we know the judges will have a difficult time selecting the top essay from each school. The winners from the 2021 Creative Writing Contest will have their articles printed in the Wolcott Community News.

The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott is sponsoring three \$750 scholarship opportunities for Wolcott residents who will be graduating in June 2021. The applications are in the Wolcott High School's Guidance Department and the Wolcott High school web site. **The Arts Scholarship** is for any student who is furthering his or her education (major or minor) in some field of the ARTS or has a genuine interest in the ARTS through participation and or education. **The Lucille Jablonski Community Service Scholarship** is for any student who is furthering his or her education and has played an active role in community service and/or volunteerism. These activities must be listed in the student's application. **The Patricia Najarian Scholarship** is for an average student who is achieving his or her full scholastic potential and needs financial assistance. The applications must be mailed to The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott, PO Box 6116, Wolcott, CT 06716.

The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott is a nonprofit organization dedicated to volunteering in our community, promoting the Arts, Conservation, Current Affairs, Education, Health and Homelife. Opportunities for friendships, personal growth and leadership abound. Meetings are held 7:00 PM on the first Wednesday from September to June, via Zoom. Females 18+ may apply for membership - P.O. Box 6116, Wolcott, CT 06716. We are a small but active club!

Please check out our website www.juniorwomensclubofwolcott.org for more information on all of these projects or email us at wolcottjuniors@gmail.com.

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 Bianchi, Riley
 Brissette, Gavin
 Browne, Ivy Cora
 Buczak, Olivia Rose
 Bylyku, Albi
 Caouette, Michael James
 Capaldo, Gianna Elizabeth
 Capozzi, Gianna Marie
 Caruso, Mia Francesca
 Casanova, Arianna
 Casey, Sarah Virginia
 Caushllari, Kristel
 Charette, Jared Edward
 Chieppo, Kailey
 Ciampi, Ava Joelle
 Cole, Matthew Allen
 Conroy, Tyler Rose
 Conway, Emily Lynn
 Cormier, Paige Ashley
 Cosmos, Kaitlyn Christine
 Cossette, Makayla Rose
 Cossette, Makenzie Leigh
 Crimmins, Jack Edward
 Croce, Spencer Joseph
 Cyr, Emily Jane
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 D'Addona, Julianna Nicole
 D'Alessio, Nicholas Paul
 Day, Jared John
 Dede, Erkin
 DeRosa, Thomas Anthony
 Desmond, Ashlyn Marie
 D'Ettore, Elizabeth Grace
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 DiMichele, Ava Rheana
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 Dumont, Avah Grey
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 Ehmer, Nathan Lorenz
 Elsayed, Maya Ahmed
 Evans, Katherine Jean
 Fernandes, Kaitlyn Elizabeth
 Ferrucci, Adriana Ellie
 Francisco, Elizabeth Sharon
 Gaudiosi, Aubrey Marie
 Getman, Katherine Serafina
 Giglio, Avery
 Giordano, Anthony Louis
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 Gurra, Greta
 Hensel, Kyle Edward
 Hernandez, Nevaeh Lynn
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 Japs, Christina Grace

Japs, Gloria Noel
 Jason, Sydney Elizabeth
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 Kleinschmidt, Nicolas Anthony
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 Lagasse, Sarah Michelle
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 LeClerc, Alison Virginia
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 Liu, Emily
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 Ly, Tiffany
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 Patel, Rahi Viralkumar
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 Santopietro, Ryan James
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 Selmani, Jeton
 Shaholli, David
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 Shoban, Miles Benjamin
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 Thies, Julia Abigail
 Tupkusic, Dalmir
 Tynan, James Joseph
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 Vaughn, Ella Rose
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 Velez, Marissa Marie
 Venditti, Nicholas Paul
 Wagner, Matthew Edward
 White, Dalcyce Oliviah
 White, Kennedy Alexis
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 DeLeo, Sophia A
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 Dunn, Abrianna Daniela
 Dupree, Will Dwyer
 Elliott, Abigail Grace
 Emanuel, Angelina Marion
 Emerick, Matthew Charles
 Evans, Samantha Joanne
 Fejzo, Kera
 Felix, Elizabeth
 Finger, Amanda Diane
 Finger, Emma Louise
 Forte, Alexander James

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 Goldberg, Leah M
 Goodfield, Cody Steven
 Goodrich, Hunter Ryan
 Greene, Michael Hugo
 Guerrero, Olivia Elise
 Gurra, Livia
 Hatush, Sajida N
 Hernandez, Seth Ronald
 Hlavna, Megan Ann
 Hogan, Samuel Robert
 Johnson, Ashley Morgan
 Jones, Ryan Paul
 Kausyla, David T
 Keita, Sitta
 Kiazim, Olivia Sherry
 Knapik, Emma Caitlin
 Komina, Meral
 Komina, Sefedina
 Konareski, Kyan John Min
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 Lago, John David
 LaMontagne, Matthew Aaron
 LePage, Mikaela Pearl
 Licherep, Kateryna
 Loughman, Julia Elise
 Macary, Terrance Joseph
 Maisto, Alexandria Lynn
 Maldonado, Christopher Joseph
 Mancini, Joseph Noti
 Martinez, Aiden Jesus
 Mazza, Ethan
 McCormack, Carol Elizabeth
 McKenna, Spencer Jeffrey
 McNamara, Logan Jonathan
 McNeil, Cameron Rasmi
 Muccino, Noah Matthew
 Musso, Addison Elizabeth
 Musso, Ashley Yvette
 Nguyen, Truc Ho
 Orluk-Rebello, Katryn Marie
 Outlaw, Quentin Joseph
 Palo, Joanna Xhoana
 Paquet, Tyler Lee
 Patel, Harshit
 Perazzella, Ryan Michael
 Perugini, Grace Elisabeth
 Petion, Aaliyah
 Prevost, Emily Marie
 Pulvermacher, Zachary Scott
 Reilly, Liam Paul
 Riviezzo, Ryan James
 Rodrigues, Selena Helen
 Rubano, Carmela
 Rubbo, Nicholas Anthony
 Sanchez, Nikki Rose
 Santovasi, Sadie Lorraine
 Schumacher, Rebekah Eliana
 Setaro, Lindsey Darling
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 Singleton, Alexander
 Soden, Paige Elizabeth
 Soto, Emiah Marie
 Stisser, Lorenzo Joseph
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 Swirski, Kaila Paige
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 Thibeau, Jay Douglas
 Thomas, Ami Rosebud
 Thornton, Sage Marcia
 Trombley, Bennett Cooper
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 Venditti, Angelo
 Vincent, Amber Love

Wilson, Riley James
 Winters, Curtis Michael
 Wood, Derek Charles
 Woodruff, Alyvia Nicole
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 Xhengo, Joni
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 Zicca, Lauren Kelly
 Ziogas, Kaia Rose
 Zulali, Burak

SECOND HONORS

Adams, Shelby Renee
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 Callahan, Taylor Marie
 Cardinale, Justin Thomas
 Charette, Conner James
 Cyr, Jessica Alice
 DeRienzo, Jacob Reynold
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 Dwyer, Manuel Peter
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 Elliott, Nathan Christopher
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 Galarraga, Benicio Joaquin
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 Giuggio, David Julian
 Goldstone, Ella
 Grauer, Zarek
 Griskus, Gina Lei
 Hamel, Keira Arlene
 Hart, Emily Nicole
 Lawlor, Zachary Brandon
 LeBeau, Alyssa Marie
 Lofgren, Ryan James
 Longo, Rosalia
 Lourenco, Gianna Rose
 Lowden, Julia Rose
 Lydem, Joseph Andrew
 Marshall, Riley Timothy
 Martin, Grace Ann
 Mateo, David Gerardo
 Medina, Elian
 Milhomens, Sophie Carolyn
 Northrop, Matthew William
 Page, Ashley Marie
 Perrotte, Kyla Ann
 Podzunas, Angela Ruth
 Quinn, Kelly
 Richdale, Dominic Anthony
 Robbins, Ethan Michael
 Rocca, Andrew James
 Rodriguez, Marcus Xavier
 Rodriguez-Marin, Cristian Enrique
 Rosario, Dawn Marie
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 Rosselot, Ryan Joseph
 Ruiz-Bayouth, Xavier Bryan
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Multi-Cultural Awareness & Accepting Differences Project

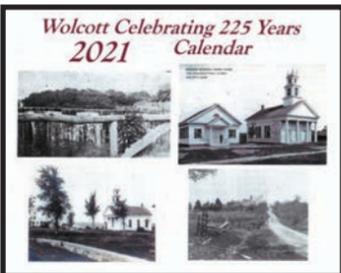
In February, the School Counseling Intern, Ms. Barkauskas, put together a project in hopes of spreading multi-cultural awareness and accepting differences. We are pleased that several students participated, including students in person and virtual. Students had the chance to cut from several different magazines or create a piece that was about their own culture. This project was formed into a collage and is in the hallway outside the School Counseling Department. The students did an awesome job and even earned community service for participating! Thank you to all of those that helped make this happen.



CORRECTION: Calendar for Wolcott Historical Society

There is an email correction to order the Wolcott Historical Society calendar produced by Wolcott High School students. The correct email is fjgtdg@gmail.com

If you would like to purchase a calendar, please contact Flo Goodman at fjgtdg@gmail.com. Calendars are \$5 each. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused.





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HAPPY MARCH 2021!

It's been a year since we had to close our doors to the senior center due to Covid-19 and many of us had no idea of how life changing and devastating this virus would be. This virus has impacted all of our lives, some more devastating than others. We had to learn how to always mask-up, wear gloves, wash hands thoroughly, use antibacterial spray and wipes, social

distance and stay in our own homes away from family and friends in order to stay safe and healthy. Doctor appointments changed from in-person to virtual and groceries had to be delivered. We have learned a lot over the last year. We learned how to work from home using zoom for meetings and exercise classes, attend school virtually using google classroom, facetime family and friends, shop online for groceries, gifts, clothes and anything else that could be sent UPS, Fed EX or Amazon delivery. This last year has also brought us hope to control and hopefully wipe-out this terrible virus. The pharmaceutical companies have been working 24-7 to develop vaccines to combat Covid-19 and return us to some kind of normalcy. The goal is to vaccinate as many people as possible in order to achieve herd immunity. At the start of the vaccination process, many people have experienced frustration during registration and finding vaccine sites. This process has started to run more smoothly as more health organizations become involved.



Jeannie Venditti is preparing all the Valentine's Day Breakfast bags for our seniors.

As we move into the next phase for Covid-19 vaccinations, it's very important to understand how these vaccines work to protect us against this devastating virus. Our senior population and people with medical issues are most vulnerable. Getting these vaccines are the best line of defense against this Covid-19 virus. Many of our seniors age 75 + have received at least their 1st vaccine (of 2) but many still have not. We have been reaching out to our seniors (those of which we have current phone numbers) to see if we can be of any assistance to them in getting registered and finding a vaccine site. We have instituted a Covid Hotline at our senior center so that we can help people navigate the VAMS website or answer any questions. Our Covid Hotline phone number is **203-718-5900 from 9:00AM-1:00PM Monday through Thursday.**

NEWS FROM HARTFORD HEALTHCARE SENIOR SERVICES

The vaccine can protect you from Covid-19, but health experts have expressed concern that even when vaccinated you can still spread the virus. A paper published February 8 online by the MyHeritage lab, however revealed patients over the age of 60 in Israel who tested positive for Covid-19 had up to 60% smaller viral loads than patients 40 to 59. By mid-January, when the study's partial data were compiled, most of Israel's over-60 population had already received at least one dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine. That suggests people who have been vaccinated are less likely to infect others even when the virus is in their system because they have fewer viral droplets in their nose and throat.

Covid Vaccine Registration Information: PARTICIPATING HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

- **Consult your physician FIRST** to insure the Covid-19 vaccination is appropriate for you and ask if they will be distributing the vaccine in their office as they have all your medical information.

If your physician is a member of one of the Healthcare Networks listed below, they may be able to help you obtain your vaccine.

- **Trinity Health, Hartford Healthcare, Yale New Haven Health, UConn Health or Stamford Health**

TO REGISTER BY PHONE

- If you do not have access to a computer, you may register by phone. Please call the VAMS registration line: **1-877-918-2224**
- The call back feature will hold your place in line and call you back
- Please be patient — a return call may take several days

TO REGISTER ONLINE

- To use this system, you must have access to a computer along with a **VALID EMAIL ADDRESS.**

(EACH PERSON REGISTERING MUST HAVE AN INDIVIDUAL EMAIL ADDRESS)

You may start by logging into the Town of Wolcott website: www.wolcottct.org

There you will find a direct link to the CT VAMS registration portal: <https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine>

- The entry of your email address will be followed up by 2 separate emails from the registration portal
- The first email will be a **DO NOT REPLY** email validating your email address has been received

(YOU ARE NOT YET REGISTERED FOR YOUR VACCINATION)

- The second email will ask if you are registered and you must answer **NO.** You will then be asked to create an account and password.
- Here, you will answer multiple questions and enter your medical information.
- You will also select a Date, Time and Location for your appointment.

- **You must bring the following to your appointment: Photo ID, Health Insurance Card and the Password to your VAMS account so you can register for your next appointment.**

SCAMS!

With the Covid vaccine distribution in full force, many scammers are taking advantage of people eager to get the vaccine. They may call, text your phone, send emails or even knock on your door! Here are a few tips to remember:

- you cannot pay to put your name on a list to get the vaccine
- you cannot pay to get early access to the vaccine
- no one from Medicare or the health department will contact you
- no one from a vaccine distribution site or healthcare payer (like a private insurance company) will call you asking for your social Security number or your credit card number or your bank account information
- beware of providers offering other products, treatments, or medicines to prevent the virus. Check with your healthcare provider before paying for or receiving any COVID-19 related treatments
- if you get a call, text, email or even someone knocking at your door claiming they can get you early access to the vaccine, **STOP! THAT'S A SCAM!**

Remember... **NEVER** give anyone your Social Security number, bank account information or credit card information that calls, emails or knocks on your door!

SENIOR BUS

Our Wolcott senior bus is operating Monday through Thursday from 9 AM to 1:00 PM for doctor's appointments, grocery shopping and errands. To schedule bus service, call the bus line at 203-879-2078 and leave your name, phone number, address and a requested date and time for bus pick up. A minimum of 48 hours' notice is needed for scheduling bus service. These limited hours are necessary to allow ample time to clean and sanitize the bus. The safety of our patrons and bus drivers is of utmost concern. For that reason, masks must be worn at all times when entering the bus and during transit. Bus service is subject to change due to weather and uncertainty regarding COVID-19 virus. Thank you for your patience while we strive to return to full service.

DIAL-A-RIDE BUS

The Dial-A-Ride bus service is available to Wolcott residents, 60 years of age and older or handicapped individual on Fridays only. For a full description of services, go to the www.wolcottct.org website. Appointments are to be scheduled by Monday or Tuesday for transport on Friday for doctors appointments and grocery stores. Bus pick-ups begin at 9:30 AM and drop off at 3:30 PM the areas of service include: Wolcott, Waterbury, Thomaston, Watertown, Prospect, Naugatuck, Middlebury and Cheshire. Due to limited seating and times, reservations should be made as soon as possible. If you are interested in the Dial A Ride bus service, please call the bus line at 203-879-2078. If you are currently not a participant, we will be happy to help you fill out the application.

NEWS FROM AAA:

AAA's **FREE** Driving Improvement Classes are back! Starting on Tuesdays in March through July, AAA will be offering its **FREE** 4-hour classes **VIRTUALLY** to drivers

Happy St. Patrick's Day

60 years of age and older, who need to obtain a certificate for up to 5% off on a portion of their insurance premiums. Classes are open to AAA members and non-members.

To register, participants must visit www.aaa.com/defensivedriving, follow the links and then choose "Connecticut Virtual" under your home state which is Connecticut.

Classes will be held on Tuesdays via Zoom on the following dates and times:

From 10 AM-2 PM:	From 12 PM-4 PM
March 2 and 16	March 9 and 23
April 6, 13 and 27	April 6 and 20
May 11 and 25	May 4 and 18
June 8	June 1, 15 and 29
July 13 and 27	July 6 and 20

To participate in these virtual classes, registrants will need:

- A PC, laptop or iPad with an integrated or portable webcam, Using a Smart Phone may be difficult because the class is video-based.
- An email and Zoom account. To download the Zoom app, visit www.zoom.us. The free version is sufficient.

Upon registration, participants will receive a confirmation letter with a Zoom link for the class.

Completion certificates will be emailed to participants within 2 days after class.

If you have any questions, contact Frances Mayko at fmayko@aanortheast.com or call 203-879-8506

VIRTUAL EXERCISE CLASSES

We offer 4 free virtual senior exercise classes. Call us and we can help you get connected to any of these virtual classes.

"Fitness Fury's Strength, Flex and Tone with Susan" is a fantastic class if you are looking for an all-around exercise class focusing on flexibility, endurance and strength, along with the dose of companionship and humor! You will need a chair, weights, band/tube and a small ball and of course water! This class meets virtually every Monday morning at 11AM.



Bob and Laura Belanger are waiting for their Valentine's Day breakfast bags to be delivered by Jeannie and Diane.

"Get Fit & Trim with Kim" is a program that works the entire body. A combination of stretching moves with strength training using hand weights, resistance bands, balls and also balance exercises. (If you do not have this equipment, we can loan it to you!) The exercises could be done standing or sitting, so people of all levels can benefit. The class also teaches the art of hand reflexology. Reflexology promote circulation and distresses the body by touching pressure points on the hands. Do you have the ability to help yourself feel good and provide some TLC to yourself. Hand charts are provided. The goal is for each participant to practice this holistic healing to themselves daily. Check out the class and have fun moving with us! Remember "Motion is Lotion" for our bodies! The class is instructed virtually every Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10AM to approximately 11:15AM.

"Yoga4Change Yoga4Seniors with Chaucey" is a great program delivered by instructors trained in the silver age yoga curriculum. Our offering as a chair-based, group yoga class delivered in our community and others. Our program has been demonstrated to boost resilience, balance, strength and flexibility. Join us for an accessible, impactful class. Freely offered from the heart. Chaucey's class meets virtually every Saturday morning at 10AM.

BREAKFASTS ARE BACK!

Our January and February drive-through breakfasts have been a big hit so we will continue into March! The next breakfasts will be Thursday, March 11- Menu: bacon, egg and cheese on a roll with pastry and Thursday, March 25- Menu: ham egg and cheese on a roll with fruit. These breakfasts are from 8:30AM to 9:30AM. The cost is \$2.00 per breakfast. Please drive into the rear parking lot of the Senior Center to the rear door to pay and pick up your breakfast. Please wear your mask! You must call the Senior Center at 203-879-8133 to reserve your breakfast sandwich no later than Tuesday for a Thursday pick up. Please have the correct amount if possible. We will honor all breakfast cards previously purchased. If there is bad weather for that morning, we will call you to cancel the day before. Please leave your phone number along with your name, when you reserve your breakfast. See you for breakfast!



Jeannie delivering Valentine's Day Breakfasts to a long line of cars!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY DRIVE-THROUGH LUNCH AT THE SENIOR CENTER!

Wednesday, March 17 at 11:30 AM we will be hosting a drive-through lunch in the back parking lot of the senior center. Please wear a mask! Your lunch will be delivered to your car. The lunch will consist of Corned Beef and Swiss Sandwich on Rye Bread, container of Cole Slaw, a bag of Chips and a Dessert. The cost of lunch is \$5.00 pp — pay that day. **You must call to reserve your lunch no later than Monday, March 15—203-879-8133. HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!!!**

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Wolcott Grange #173

by Karen Mowad



We March along. One day at a time, one moment at a time. Although we have had several setbacks at the end of 2020 we are looking forward to the future. It is easy to close the doors and walk away when times get tough. Our group of volunteers is even tougher. We are in the process of rebuilding, repairing, and regrouping. A broken pipe is a disaster. A flooded building is devastating. Dealing with contractors and insurance companies is a nightmare. But hope is rebuilt when volunteers and community want to work together to stay strong. We work hard for Wolcott and Wolcott works hard for us. We love what we do and we will continue on for many generations.

If you would like to donate towards our relief fund, checks can be mailed to Wolcott Grange 313 Bound line Road Wolcott, CT 06716. Please indicate if you would like to remain anonymous.

Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance News



WVAA Moving?

Yes, WVAA is looking to move! For several years now WVAA has been exploring the idea of a potential move, and the time has come to begin to ask for your support! We have outgrown our 48 Todd Road facility and are actively looking for a new facility that will allow us to enhance and expand services and educational opportunities provided to the Town. WVAA has presented relocation options and considerations to Mayor Dunn and the Town Council. Please look out for future information regarding this venture, and do not hesitate to reach out to us with any questions, concerns, and/or suggestions!

COVID-19

The State of Connecticut continues to work with our local hospitals and health districts to roll out COVID-19 vaccines. The CDC cautions even with the vaccine, please remember to keep yourselves safe out there. Wash your hands often, do not touch your face, practice social distancing, and wear a mask covering your nose and mouth when you are out in public. For more information on how to keep you and your loved ones safe during this pandemic, please visit the State of Connecticut website (www.ct.gov) and click on the "COVID-19" banner for helpful hints on decreasing our positive cases. We also encourage you to visit CDC.gov and click on the "Learn More About COVID-19" banner for updates.

Membership

Are you currently certified as an EMT or licensed as a Paramedic in the State of Connecticut? Would you like to join our tight knit group of volunteers and employees? We are looking for qualified people to become part of our team. Please contact us or download an application from our website. If you are not yet certified as an EMT, why not consider taking a class with us? Contact Lieutenant Justin Fortin at (203) 879-4122, email him at training@wolcottambulance.com or click on the "EMT Courses" banner at wolcottambulance.com for information on upcoming EMT courses.

Virtual Community Courses

WVAA now offers several virtual community courses! As the COVID-19 pandemic continues, we have decided to continue to cease all in-person community classes for the time being. Please visit our website (www.wolcottambulance.com) and click on the "Learning Opportunities" banner for updates on in-person courses, as well as a list of our virtual community course offerings!



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COVID-19 Vaccine Registration Resources

- **VAMS Link**
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- **CT Vaccine Appointment Assist Line**
 1-877-918-2224
- **Hartford Health Care**
hartfordhealthcare.org/health-wellness/covid-vaccine/schedule-your-vaccine
 860-827-7690
- **Trinity Health of New England**
mycare.stfranciscare.org/mycare/
- **Yale New Haven Health**
covidvaccine.ynhh.org/
 1-833-ASK-YNHH
- **UConn Health**
mychart.uconn.edu/mychart/signup
 860-679-4400



American Red Cross Blood Drive

Save a Life. Give Blood

Junior Women's Club of Wolcott Blood Drive

Date: Saturday, March 20th
Place: St. Pius X Church Hall
 517 Woodtick Rd
Time: 7:30AM - 1:00PM
 Appointments are needed.
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St. Patrick's Day Word Search

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Part-time Drivers wanted. P/T Drivers wanted: To drive special needs students. "V" Endorsement a MUST. Excellent pay! Start immediately! Sign on bonus! Call Cardinal Driving Services at 203-879-6221

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PRIME CUT LAWN SERVICE: Spring cleanup, mowing, hedge trimming, mulch delivery and spreading, top soil delivery and spreading, lawn repair, hydroseeding, drainage snowplowing. No job too small. Free estimates. Fully insured. Military and senior discounts. Call Joe@ (203) 704-0185

Machine Services

Stone Driveway Repair. Small stump removal. Small brush clearing. Top soil spreading. Call Joe @ (203) 704-0185 for a free estimate

Pet Sitting/Home Sitting

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Stump Removal

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Topsoil

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Travel

SCULLY TRAVEL: Call us for all your travel needs at 203-879-2593.

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Alcott School News

Congratulations to our Gold Star Students for the month of January!



Our first whole school Social Emotional Learning Day was a huge success!



Students enjoyed dressing in their favorite sports attire for our annual celebration of the Super Bowl!

Wolcott Board of Education

Please remember that staffing and public health issues can cause our schedules to change with little notice.

COVID-19 is spread mainly via person-to-person contact through contaminated air droplets from coughing and sneezing by an infected person. As with controlling the spread of other viruses, we urge everyone to discuss the following preventive measures with your children and family members:

- Wash your hands frequently, but especially after using the restroom and before preparing or consuming food. Using soap and hot water, wash for about 20 seconds. Be sure to also wash your fingertips. When soap and water are not available, use hand sanitizer.
- Avoid coughing or sneezing into your hands or in the air. Always try to cough or sneeze into a tissue, then throw the tissue away. If you don't have a tissue, cough/sneeze inside the elbow of your arm.

- As much as you can, avoid touching your eyes, mouth, and nose.
- Wear a face covering (mask) whenever there is a likelihood that you or your family members will be in the presence of others.
- Maintain social distancing (at least 6 feet) between yourself and others when outside of your home.
- Be mindful and watch for the symptoms of COVID-19 in yourself and family members:
 - Fever (100.4° Fahrenheit or higher)
 - Chills or shaking chills
 - Uncontrolled new cough (not due to other known cause, such as chronic cough)
 - Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
 - New loss of taste or smell

For additional information on COVID-19 symptoms, please see: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/symptoms-testing/symptoms.html>

Staff and students exhibiting any of the above symptoms, or feeling ill, should remain home and call their medical provider to report their symptoms and ask about testing prior to seeking in-person care at a clinic, physician's office, or hospital.

For more information on what to do if you or a family member has possible symptoms, a diagnosis, or exposure to COVID-19, please see Addendum 5: Interim Guidance for Responding to COVID-19 Scenarios in Connecticut School Districts, available here: <https://portal.ct.gov/SDE/COVID19/COVID-19-Resources-for-Families-and-Educators/Addendums-and-FAQs>

We are closely monitoring this situation and working with Chesprocott Health District. If you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please remember that all students and staff members should stay home when they have any symptoms of any illness at all.



Kindergarten Pre-Registration for the 2021-2022 School Year

If you have a child who will be Five (5) years old on or before January 1, 2022, please visit the District website to pre-register your child for the next school year. Please complete the Google Form with your child's information. Once this is completed you will receive additional information in February/March for information on kindergarten screening and access to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Questions can be directed to Megan Patchkofsky at mpatchkofsky@wolcottps.org or 203.879.8183 for questions on the pre-registration process. Early pre-registration is greatly appreciated in order for us to plan and budget appropriately. Thank you for your cooperation.

Hello Wolcott families! The Food Service Department has been very busy over the last few months. Since the pandemic started in March, the Wolcott Food Service Department has served over 45,000 meals; all at no charge!

On Thursday, October 22, 2020 Wolcott Public Schools was approved to continue feeding all children for free until June 30, 2021. This means that every child, whether they are learning from home or eating inside the building will receive a free breakfast and lunch; if they choose.

Distant feeding is also growing more and more popular. Please remember if you are interested in picking up meals for your children when they are learning at home to sign up by the Friday before at noon to the link that is emailed out every Wednesday. **Meals can be picked up on Wednesdays ONLY from 11am to 1pm at Alcott Elementary School.** If you forget to pick up the meals, due to safety measures, we are not allowed to serve you the meals on any other date or time.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please reach out to Nicole Maxellon, Food Service Director, at 203-879-8145 or by email at nicole.maxellon@wolcottps.org

Wolcott Board of Education Committee Assignments 2019-2021

FINANCE	CHAIRMAN – Tony Gugliotti
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Future School Needs	
Activity Funds	
NEGOTIATIONS	CHAIRMAN – Paul D'Angelo
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Athletic Advisory	Tim McMurray
Health & Safety	
OPERATIONS & PROGRAMS	CHAIRMAN – Roberta Leonard
Policy	Kelly Mazza
Curriculum	Kathy Cordone
PERSONNEL	CHAIRMAN – Kelly Mazza
Job Descriptions	Sean Hughes
Review	Kathy Cordone
Parliamentarian	Tony Gugliotti
Aces Representative	Roberta Leonard

Integrated Pre-School Program for the 2021-2022 School Year

The Department of Student Services will be accepting applications for the Alcott Integrated Preschool Program Lottery for the 2021-2022 school year. Applications will be available online for all Wolcott residents who have a child born in 2017 or 2018. The online applications and information can be accessed by logging onto our district website "wolcottps.org". A lottery will be held to determine the preschool enrollment for the three and four year olds. The deadline for completing the online application in March 12, 2021.

Wolcott Public Schools Directors 2020-2021

- Central Office** – 203 879-8183
- Superintendent of Schools: Dr. Anthony Gasper. –203 879-8183
 - Business Manager: Mr. Todd Bendtsen – 203 879-8180
 - Assistant Superintendent: Mr. Shawn Simpson – 203 879-8430
 - Director of Student Services & Alternative Programs: Mr. Kevin Hollis – 203 879-8178
 - Supervisor of Special Education: Mrs. Rosa Ramalhete – 203 879-8178
 - Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance – 203 879-8180
Supervisor: Mr. Wayne Natzel

- Wolcott High School** – 203 879-8164
- Principal: Mr. Walter Drewry
 - Assistant Principal: Mr. Bryan MacKay
 - Assistant Principal: Mr. Joseph Morgan

- Tyrrell Middle School** – 203 879-8151
- Principal: Mr. Joseph Norcross
 - Assistant Principal: Mr. Daniel Caetano

- Alcott Elementary School** – 203 879-8160
- Principal: Mr. Matthew Calabrese

- Frisbie Elementary School** - 203 879-8146
- Principal: Mrs. Kimberly Murtaugh

- Wakelee Elementary School** – 203 879-8154
- Principal: Mrs. Deborah Osvald

- WHS Athletics** – 203 879-8173
- Director: Ms. Tanya Adorno

- Tyrrell Athletics** – 203 879-8151
- Coordinator: Mr. Brett Distasio

- District Compliance Officers**
- Title VI (race, color, national origin)** - Mr. Shawn Simpson, Assistant Superintendent – 203 879-8430
 - Title IX (sex equity)** - Mr. Matthew Calabrese, Alcott Elementary School Principal –203 879-8160
 - Age Discrimination** - Mr. Shawn Simpson, Assistant Superintendent- 203 879-8430
 - Section 504 (handicap)** - Mr. Walter Drewry, Wolcott High School Principal, –203 879-8164
 - Americans with Disabilities (ADA)**- Mr. Kevin Hollis – 203 879-8178
 - Homeless Liaison** - Mr. Joseph Norcross, Tyrrell Middle School Principal –203 879-8151

It is the policy of the Wolcott Board of Education that no person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or otherwise discriminated against under any program because of his or her race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, ancestry, material status, sexual orientation, mental retardation, past or present history of mental disorder, learning disability or physical disability.

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Wolcott Board of Education 2020-2021 Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month unless otherwise indicated.

	FIRST	SECOND
MARCH	8 (Monday)	22 (Monday)
APRIL	12 (Monday)	26 (Monday)
MAY	10 (Monday)	24 (Monday)
JUNE	7 (Monday)	21 (Monday)

Wolcott Board of Education Email Contacts

- Mrs. Cynthia Mancini – Chairman — CMancini@wolcottps.org
- Mr. Paul D'Angelo - Vice Chairman — PDangelo@wolcottps.org
- Mrs. Roberta Leonard – Secretary — RLeonard@wolcottps.org
- Mr. Christopher Charette — CCharette@wolcottps.org
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- Mr. Anthony Gugliotti — TGugliotti@wolcottps.org
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- Mr. Timothy McMurray — TMcmurray1@wolcottps.org
- Dr. Anthony Gasper — AGasper@wolcottps.org

Wolcott Public Schools - 2020-2021 School Hours

	Normal School Day	Early Dismissal	2 Hour Delayed Opening	3 Hour Delayed Opening
All Elementary Schools	8:55AM – 3:20PM	1:20PM	10:55AM	11:55AM
Tyrrell Middle School	8:00AM – 2:25PM	12:25PM	10:00AM	11:00AM
Wolcott High School	7:30AM – 1:55PM	12:00NOON	9:30AM	10:30AM

ATTENTION:
Wolcott Public Schools is Looking for Substitute Teachers and Substitute School Nurses
 Please Apply at www.wolcottps.org



WOLCOTT BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Lower Left to Right: Mr. Anthony Gugliotti; Secretary Ms. Roberta Leonard; Mrs. Kathleen Cordone; Mrs. Kelly Mazza; Mr. Sean Hughes

Facilities Naming Committee

The Wolcott Board of Education has formed a Facilities Naming Committee as per Policy 7551.

Members of the Committee are as Follows:

- Cynthia Mancini Chairman of the Board
- Tony Gasper Superintendent
- Chris Charette Chairman of the Committee, Member of the BOE, and Facilities Committee Chairman
- Kathy Cordone Board of Education Member
- Kelly Mazza Board of Education Member
- Bryan MacKay Administrator
- Matt Craig Teacher
- Linda Ligi Parent
- Dom Angiolillo Resident
- Dane Joseph Hassan Resident

Wolcott Public Schools – School Calendar 2020-2021

July

M	T	W	TH	F
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August (6/0)

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September (20/17)

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28	29	30		

October (21/21)

M	T	W	TH	F
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12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

November (17/17)

M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
9	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30				

December (17/17)

M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30

January (19/19)

M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

February (18/18)

M	T	W	TH	F
1	NS	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26

March (23/23)

M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

April (16/16)

M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

May (20/20)

M	T	W	TH	F
3	4	5	6	7
10	11	12	13	14
17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28
31				

June (9/9)

M	T	W	TH	F
	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30		

Date/Event or Holiday		
FLEX DAY - All Students Learn From Home		
August 24-Sept. 3, 2020	Convocation and PD Days	
September 7, 2020	Labor Day	
September 8, 2020	First Day for Students	
October 12, 2020	Columbus Day	
November 3, 2020	Election Day	
November 11, 2020	Veterans Day	
November 26-27, 2020	Thanksgiving	
December 23-Jan 1, 2021	Holiday Recess	
January 18, 2021	Martin Luther King Day	
February 15-16, 2021	February Recess	
April 2, 2021	Good Friday	
April 5 - 9, 2021	April Recess	
May 31, 2021	Memorial Day	
June 14, 2021	Last Day (tentative)	
# of Student and Staff Days	Staff	Student
August	6	0
September	20	17
October	21	21
November	17	17
December	17	17
January	19	19
February	18	18
March	23	23
April	16	16
May	20	20
June	9	9
Total Days	186	177

We can accommodate up to 12 snow days by adding onto the year in June beginning with June 14th. If more than 12 snow days occur they will be made up during the April vacation beginning with the 9th and moving backward through the week.

WE ARE PRACTICING COVID - CONSCIOUS PROTOCOLS

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January
Gene Fercodini

Open 7 Days a Week



1st Place Top
Producer for 2020
J.R. Donorfio



2nd Place Top
Producer for 2020
Lucienne Marsella



3rd Place Top
Producer for 2020
Lynn Lombardi

“List Local”



Maria Miller



Lucienne Marsella



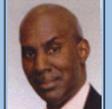
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Stephen Monnerat



Linda Norman



Ken Reeder



Michael Salvio



Chris Stoddard



Jack Synnott



Derek Turbacuski

Thank You For Your Continued Business And Support For The Past 33 years!



Wolcott \$189,900 - 3 Bedroom Brick Ranch features hardwood floors, large kitchen, partially finished basement, newer roof, furnace & shed, 1 car garage, driveways have been paved in the last year. *Ask for Armenia DePinho.*



Wolcott \$359,900 - Almost new 3 BR Raised Ranch; eat-in kitchen w/counter bar & granite counter tops, dining area, LR w/propane FP, MBR w/full bath, lower level family room & full bath, c/air, trex deck, 2 car garage. *Ask for Gene Fercodini.*



Wolcott \$474,800 - 13 Room Cont Cape w/in-law apt & great views of reservoir! Eat-in kitchen w/granite counters & pantry, DR w/slider, LR w/FP & cathedral ceiling, sunroom, FR w/slider to deck, in-law apt w/kitchen, den, LR & BR, 3 car garage. *Ask for Lucienne Marsella.*



Wolcott \$485,000 - To Be Built; 4 BR Colonial on a 1+ acre lot on cul-de-sac; HW floors on main level, great room w/propane FP, large eat-in kitchen w/granite breakfast island, FDR w/crown molding, M/suite, huge bonus room or 4th BR, c/air, city sewers. *Ask for Lynn or J.R.*



Wolcott \$590,000 - 4 BR Colonial in a private setting; open foyer, eat-in kitchen w/granite counters & pantry, dining area, LR w/propane FP, MBR w/full bath, whirlpool tub & walk-in closet, upper level great room, HW floors, 2 car garage, city sewer, 2.72 acre lot. *Ask for Gene Fercodini.*



Wolcott Condo \$229,900 - Move-in ready half duplex condo w/zero condo fees! 3 BRs, 1.5 baths, 2 car garage, sun room w/propane stove, large LR with fireplace, loft, finished lower level, deck, 2 car garage, big yard & much more! *Ask for Lucienne Marsella.*



Waterbury Multi \$279,900 - 3 family in Town plot; 5 rooms, kitchen & pantry, LR, DR, 2 BRs & full bath each floor. Also, front and back porches, 2 car detached garage in back plus 4 parking spaces & off-street parking. Convenient location. *Ask for Sali Barolli.*

WOLCOTT LAND

\$105,000 - The Preserve subdivision; Wooded 1+ acre lot on cul-de-sac; u/g utilities, sewers available

\$115,000 - Last lot in sub-division of upscale homes! 1.16 acres, on cul-de-sac. Deed restrictions available.

\$128,900 - 2.89 Acre interior wooded lot in Arvida Woods. Natural gas & sewers available.

\$132,900 - The Preserve subdivision; .75 acre wooded lot on cul-de-sac; sewers & u/g utilities available.

\$132,900 - Beautiful wooded lot in Oakridge Subdivision; 1+ acres w/u/g utilities & sewers available.

\$200,000 - 2 Separate lots being sold as one package. Maps & survey available.

\$210,000 - Commercial land Includes garage w/loading dock, city water, gas & power in street.

WATERBURY RENTALS

\$1,000/mo. - 3BR 2nd Floor apartment; large BRs, eat-in kitchen w/pantry & washer hook-up, bright LR, freshly painted, newer windows, convenient location, on bus line.

\$1,100/mo. - 2 Bedroom condo features kitchen, LR/DR combo, 1.5 baths, central air, large deck, private corner unit.

\$1,250/mo. - 2 BR 2nd Floor remodeled apartment; hardwood floors, kitchen w/newer appliances, full bath, front & back enclosed porches.

CHESHIRE RENTAL

\$1,300/mo. - 2 BR Apartment freshly painted, well maintained LR, Kitchen, walk-up attic for storage, washer/dryer; heat H/W included, off street parking. No pets.

WOLCOTT COMMERCIAL FOR SALE

\$169,900 - Commercial building currently being used as a social club. Includes w/loading dock, kitchen, pizza oven & bar. Upper level w/3 rooms, central air. Many possibilities.



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