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Congratulations to Jessie Nelson for graduating magna cum laude from Baylor Law School and landing her dream job in Dallas, TX! We are so proud of all of your accomplishments and can't wait to see where your legal career takes you!

Love,Dad, Matt, Cara, Cole, Julia, Kevin,
Auntie Gina and Phoebe

Happy 11th birthday Chase. We love you to the moon and beyond, Mom & Grandmama Michele

Officer Zack Williams on the right, of the Wolcott Police Dept. was on hand recently at the Waterbury Police Department Police Academy graduation. He handed out the Walter Williams Award to recruit Sugelly Machado of the Waterbury Police Dept. The award is named after Zack Williams father, Walter Williams who was killed in the line of duty as a Waterbury Police Officer. *Photography by Picard*

The Exchange Club of Wolcott recently honored their Youth of the Year, Kayla Nuehlen at their May 2nd meeting. Kayla is a Wolcott High senior who will be attending Emerson College in Boston, MA in the fall, majoring in communications. Congratulations Kayla. *Photography by Picard*

Thank You to Linda Fercondini and the National Assoc. of Realtors for their donation of beautiful Easter baskets to the Wolcott Food Pantry. *Photography by Wolcott Resource Center*

Miss Connecticut Cynthia Dias of Wolcott visited the Capitol in Hartford during session and was introduced on the house floor by State Rep. Gale Mastrofranceso and State Senator Rob Sampson.

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BIRTHDAYS

Gemini, May 21st - June 20th - *"The Twins"*

Ruling planet: Mercury. Element: Air. Quality: The intellect. Ability: Writing and communications. You are the witty communicators of the zodiac. Words trip lightly off your tongue under any and all circumstances. You possess natural gifts for writing and speaking and are often drawn into fields where you can express your abilities.You love being part of your local community, and you can be counted upon to know and pass along most of the current gossip. Friends use you as a resource when seeking information about a particular service or product. Generally positive, you enjoy being cheerful, and you search for the lightness in all things.

June 20th - Al Laporta

Cancer, June 21st - July 22nd - *"The Crab"*

Ruling planet: Moon. Element: Water. Quality: Sensitivity. Ability: Nurturing.You are the shy, supportive members of the zodiac. Home and family are very important to you, and you are willing to submerge your own wants and desires for the good of your immediate group. Often quite ambitious, you seek to get ahead in order to provide the best for your loved ones.

Honor Your Graduate

The July issue of the Wolcott Community News will feature "Graduate Greetings"

Submit your photo with a greeting (25 words or less) for only **$30!**

Deadline is Wednesday, June 15th

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Payment: Must be received by June 15th. Include name of student on check, and make payable to

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Congratulations, Donna
on your graduation!
Best wishes for a bright future,
love Mom & Dad

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upcoming Community Events

There's Always Something Good Going On

SPREAD THE WORD!

June 4th - Saturday
Chicken Barbecue Sponsored by Wolcott Cong Church Mens Club
Location: Wolcott Congregational Church
185 Center St. Wolcott, CT
Time: 4-6 pm
Tickets: Adults $15 - Children $5
Info: Tickets may be purchased by calling the church office at 203-879-1293 Tues - Friday from 9am - 1pm or by calling 203-879-4288 before June 2nd.

June 5th - Sunday
17th Annual Duck Race & Fesitval
Sponsored by Naug Chamber of Commerce
Location: Downtown Naugatuck - Maple Street
Time: 11:00 am - 4:00 pm
Cost: Free
Info: Live music, arts and craft vendors, food and drink, bounce houses, circus talent and more..visit www.duckday.com

June 10th - Friday
Set Back Tournament
Location: Wolcott Congregational Church
185 Center St. Wolcott, CT
Time: 7:00 pm
Cost: $15
Info: Registration will begin at 6pm. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. For more information call the church at 203-879-1293

June 19th - Sunday
Wolcott Community Car Show in Memory of John Gentile
Location: Woodtick Recreation
Nichols Rd. Wolcott, CT
Time: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Cost: Show Cars $10
Admission: Free
Info: Show Cars, Music, Raffle Table, Vendors, Prizes and Trophies.

June 30th - Thursday
Lions Outdoor Family Fun Movie Night
(Rain Date: Thursday ,July 7th)
Location: Wolcott Lions' Fairground
245 Wolcott Rd. Wolcott, CT.
Time: 6:30 Gates Open
Movie Starts at Dusk
Tickets: $20 Per Carload
Info: Featuring Toy Story. Watch it on a HUGE 20 foot screen! Pre-Movie activities for the kids! Food and Snacks available to purchase.

July 11- July 29th
Broadway Dreams Theatre Camp
Location: SPP Vocal Studio
152 Mad River Rd, Wolcott
(Upper level Pat's IGA)
Camp Times: M-F 9-2 pm
Info: Register by calling 203.704.7176 or www.sppvocalstudio.com

August 13th - Saturday
Auditions Grease:A Musical Revue
Location: SPP Vocal Studio
152 Mad River Rd, Wolcott
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Time: 10am-12pm
Info: Show scheduled for Oct. 15/16th. Sign up at Spp.vocalcoach@gmail.com

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MAYOR'S CORNER

June 2022

Happy Father's Day

Welcome Summer! Hope to see all of you out enjoying the warm weather.

Congratulations to all the Middle School and High School Graduates!!! I wish you all the best of luck in your future journeys and endeavors.

We are asking all our residents to consider signing up for the "Town of Wolcott Text Notification System", signing up will allow you to receive important messages from the Town, regarding town events, and other important notifications. To sign up text the keyword "Wolcott" to 91896. You will receive a confirmation message, reply YES and you will be opted-in to the system.

As I have stated before, please visit our website for updated information and town events www.wolcottct.org and if you have any questions, problems, or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office at 203-879-8100 ext. 102.

Very truly yours,

Mayor Thomas G. Dunn

Wolcott Recreation Summer Concerts

Sunday, June 12th - 6pm
Town Green Featuring Acoustic Routes

Sunday, June 19th - 6pm
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Sunday, June 26th - 6pm
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Implants and Dentures

Dr. Ezra Friedman
Wolcott, CT

Last month we discussed some of the basics with regards to full dentures. And the image painted was a little bit bleak. Yet be hopeful, as there is a solution. Dental implants. There are a couple of ways in which dental implants can be used to improve the denture experience.

The first of these ways is the simpler of the two. We can place two (for the lower arch) or four (for the upper arch) implants. After healing, we can place attachments into the existing dentures (sometimes we need to fabricate new, reinforced, dentures), and create a situation where the denture will snap onto the implants. Once attached, the dentures will be much more stable. Function is then improved and patients are much more satisfied. As I mentioned in my last article, lower full dentures tend to be less well tolerated than upper full dentures, and I will often suggest the two lower implants before we even fabricate the regular lower dentures.

The second option we have with dental implants is to place implants with the intent of getting rid of the dentures completely. This would entail placing more implants (at least four, but we try for six or more into each jaw), and fabricating a fixed bridge which we attach to the implants. The fixed bridge is not removable (by the patient), just like natural teeth. It gets brushed and cleaned like natural teeth. Oftentimes, the day that the implants are placed, we can convert the existing denture into a temporary fixed bridge that the patient wears while the implants heal and integrate into the body.

All options are good options. Whether we decide on implants, implants to snap the denture onto, or implants to allow us to get rid of the denture entirely, every option is good and it just depends on what's best for the individual. Obviously cost and length of time until treatment is complete will vary and each patient's goals and budget should be fully considered before a course is plotted.

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Naugatuck $199,900 – Charming Cape Cod style home features 1080 square, 3 bedrooms, 1 bath and hardwood floors. This home is well maintained and move-in ready. Call Brett!

Preview more at: www.exitsignature.com

NEW LISTING

Wolcott, $315,000 – Move-In Ready Ranch is completely renovated! Features 3 bedrooms, one and a half baths, newer furnace (1 year), newer roof (1year), updated kitchen with granite counters, hammered copper farmhouse sink and copper faucet, hardwood floors have all been refinished and bathrooms are all updated. Great backyard for entertaining with covered outdoor Gazebo and firepit. Schedule your private showing today! Call Bridget!

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WATERBURY

Waterbury $279,900 – 2 Family home features 3 bedrooms on the first floor, 3/4 bedrooms on the second floor vinyl siding and off street parking. Great investment opportunity. Call Bridget!

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ENFIELD

Enfield $230,000 – Bright and open Colonial features 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, 1971 sqft of living space on a large lot. Newly refinished hardwood floors throughout, freshly painted interior, large bedrooms with plenty of closet space. Finished and heated basement for additional room. Taylor Brook runs through the backyard; perfect place to relax with plenty of privacy. Easy access to highways and shopping - Hartford/Springfield area. Ask for Brian!

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NEW LISTING

Wolcott $299,900 – Move-In ready Split-Level home features 1398 sqft with an additional 252sq ft in lower level, 3 bedrooms, possible 4th bedroom on LL or office, spacious eat-in-kitchen with access to a beautiful 3 season porch and a living room offers a wood stove and tons natural light. The upper level features 3 bedrooms and a full bath. Don't miss this one! Call Bridget

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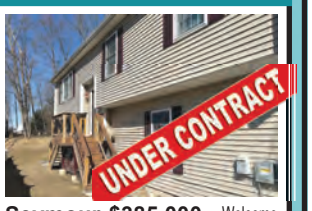
SEYMOUR



Seymour $385,000 – Welcome Home!! Come see this beautiful raised ranch located near the center of town. Features 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths and 1716 sqft of living space on 1.85 acres. Spacious living room with fireplace open to beautiful kitchen with breakfast bar island and dining room. Hardwood floors throughout and a full bathroom suite connected to the master bedroom. The basement is finished with an extra space that can be used as a family room or an additional bedroom as well as a half bath w/ laundry and attached 2 car garage. Ask for Miguel! **Preview more at: www.exitsignature.com**

GIVE BACK CORNER

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WATERBURY

Waterbury $179,900 – East End, completely remodeled colonial features 1326 sqft, 3 bedrooms, gleaming hardwood floors, 2 car garage, and freshly painted in neutral tones. Call Bridget!

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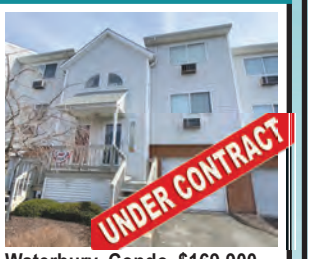
WATERBURY

Waterbury $209,900 – Beautiful MOVE IN READY CAPE located in the East End features 2466 sqft, 4 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, gorgeous kitchen with stainless appliances, cozy living room and formal dining room. Master bedroom with a full master bathroom located on the first floor. The basement is finished with a laundry area, office and additional open space. Endless possibilities. There is a huge deck in the back of the house that leads to a beautifully maintained, completely fenced in backyard, giving this property wonderful privacy. Call Miguel! **Preview more at: www.exitsignature.com**

WOLCOTT

Wolcott, $479,900 Contemporary Cape style home resides on a great 1.9 acre lot with a fantastic detached garage. The garage area is massive and includes a 2nd floor for a total of 1995 square feet; perfect for car storage, mechanical, home office space and much more. This home was completely remodeled in 1997 with many fine amenities and upgrades which include: hardwood floors, custom eat-in-kitchen, granite countertops, formal dining room, great room w/ stone fireplace and wainscoting, french doors leading to the porch area, mud room, main level laundry, central vacuum and a newer on demand water heater and furnace. This home is unique and offers great potential, truly a rare find. Call Bridget! **Preview more at: www.exitsignature.com**

WATERBURY



Waterbury Condo $169,900 – GREAT LOCATION! Desirable West End Oronoke Ridge community. Perfect location for maintenance free living in the Country Club section of town. Spacious Living Room/Dining Room with open kitchen and slider out to deck. Lower level additional room great for 3rd bed/office/playroom/exercise room. 1-Car garage with additional parking. Two nice sized bedrooms on the upper level. Pet friendly. Fantastic opportunity to own in Waterbury's sought after condo community, Oronoke Ridge! **Call Bridget**

LOT FOR SALE

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 withamazing lake views! Town sewer in the street.

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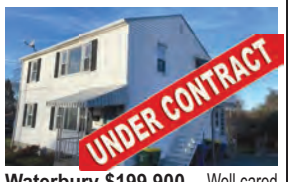
WATERBURY



Waterbury $199,900 – Well cared for 1600 sqft 2-family conveniently located close to shopping and amenities. This property offers an 800 square foot first floor apartment with a recently updated kitchen, 2 bedrooms, a newer bathroom and hardwood floors. The second floor apartment offers an equal layout to the first floor with a brand new kitchen and bathroom. Both units offer natural gas for cooking and are both heated by an oil furnace. Large two car detached garage, a great backyard and a large side yard that can possibly be used as a separate building lot.. **Call Jay! Preview more at: exitsignature.com**

LOTS FOR SALE

Waterbury
LOTS FOR SALE
$10,000
5 Lots available in total. Priced at $10K each. Seller would prefer to sell as a package. Buyers Agent perform due diligence.
Ask for Miguel!

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LOT FOR SALE

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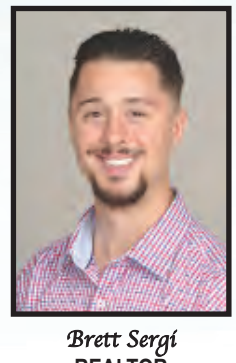

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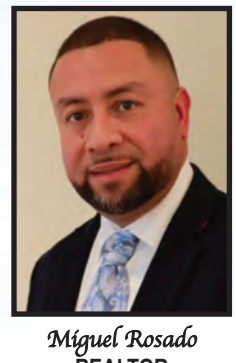

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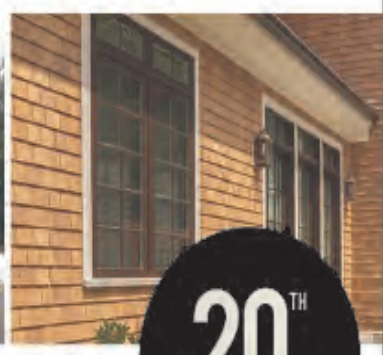

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The Premier Of Lions Outdoor Family Fun Movie Night

On June 30th, The Wolcott Lions and their youth group, The Wolcott Leos are joining forces with numerous other Lions and Leos Clubs throughout the state to host a fundraiser for the Lion's Pediatric Cancer Project. The goal is to "Fill the toy closets" at Connecticut Pediatric Cancer Facilities with art supplies, puzzles, games and toys.

The sponsor for the event is R&R Roofing, Mike and Dana Spino have stepped up, yet again, to show how much they care about supporting events in Wolcott, our community and of course kids.

The goal for the fundraiser was to have it centered around kids. Many adults remember the fun of going to the drive-in to watch movies, the Lions thought it would be nice to allow today's youth the chance to have the same experience. The only change is - There will no cars! Instead, the kids can sit on blankets and lawn chairs and have a little more freedom to move around.

The location will be at the Wolcott Lions Fairgrounds, located at 245 Wolcott Road, Wolcott.

The movie being shown is Disney's "Toy Story". A movie with some of the most beloved and funny characters in the Disney universe. Who doesn't love Mr. & Mrs. Potato Head?

The gates will open at 6:30 and there will be music and fun activities for the kids before the movie starts at dusk, which should be around 9pm.

There will be food and snacks and of course – What's a movie without plenty of Popcorn??!!

There will also be a 50/50 raffle, so someone can go home a big winner.

Admission is a suggested donation of $20 per carload. You can purchase tickets in advance at Eventbrite.com and search "Lions Movie Night" or go to WolcottLions.com and follow the link there.

Any questions can be directed to LionsMovieNight@gmail.com. In the event of bad weather, there is a rain date of Thursday, July 7th.

To get into the parking lot, please use the entrance at 11 Sunrise Road, a few hundred feet from Wolcott Rd / Rt.69. Just look for the big LIONS PARKING signs.

See you – At The Movies!!

Boy Scout Troop 230 Update

BSA Troop 230 is at full speed. Scouts are enjoying their weekly meetings as they work on scouting skills such as axe, saw, and knife safety and use. Additionally, they have been practicing orienteering and rope bridge building. To add in some extra fun, the Troop took a trip to Brass City Raceway in Waterbury where they raced go karts, played pool and challenged each other at air hockey.

The Troop also has been actively giving back to the Wolcott Community. The Troop acted as Color Guard at Wolcott's Patriots Day Ceremony. They also worked with Friends of the Library to do an outdoor spring clean up and assisted with Book Donation Day. Further, the boys volunteered at the American Legion's bingo event for people with special needs.

The troop would also like to congratulate our Assistant Scoutmaster Mr. Randy Clair for being honored and recognized at Camp Mattatuck's TMT (Takachsin) Class 51 April 22-24 for his prior service as Scoutmaster for adult outdoor leadership training Class 39. Congratulations and thank you Mr. Clair for your past and present service.

Upcoming events include a Camporee weekend at Camp Workcoeman in New Hartford, volunteering at Wolcott's Special Games, a June 4th can and bottle drive at the American Legion, and the end of the year Court of Honor.

To have the Troop help out or attend a function or for more information, email boyscouttroop230ct@aol.com.

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Wolcott Congregational Church Setback Tournament

The Wolcott Congregational Church is sponsoring a setback tournament on Friday, June 10 at the church on 185 Center Street, across from the town green. Doors will open at 6 p.m. for registration, and games will begin promptly at 7. There will be seven games of setback, with new partners assigned for each game. Registration is $15, and $5 for an additional bonus prize is optional. Prizes will be paid for high scores. There is also a 50/50 raffle. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided, and all are welcome to attend. Unless there is a change in state requirements, masks will be strictly optional. For more information, call the church at 203-879-1293. Join us for fun and fellowship!

The Wolcott Congregational Church Men's Club is holding its annual Chicken Barbecue this year with Covid-related restrictions.

The event will be held on Saturday, June 4 from 4 - 6 pm with takeout orders only being provided. In addition, orders must be made in advance and no later than June 2nd. Meals must be picked up outside the church, and no walk-in orders will be available.

Meals will consist of 1/2 barbecued chicken, baked potato, cole slaw, green beans, cranberry sauce and ice cream for dessert.

The cost is $15 for an adult, and $5 for a child's portion. Tickets may be purchased by calling the church office at 203-879-1293 Tuesday thru Friday from 9 am - 1 pm, or by calling 203-879-4288 before June 2nd.

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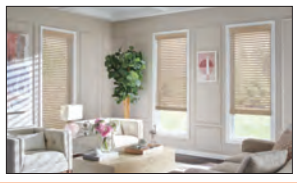

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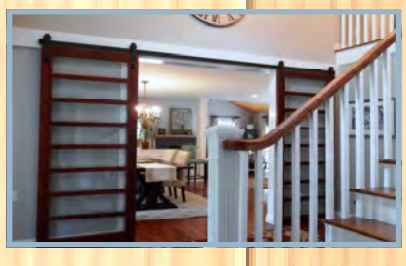
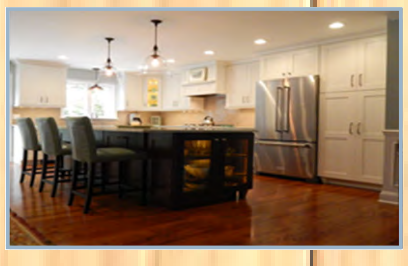
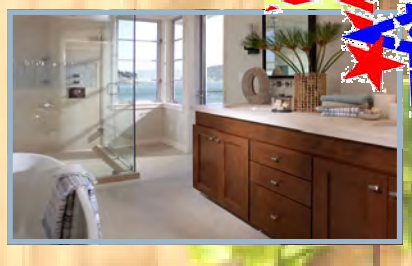

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Straight Talk About the State Budget

State Senator Rob Sampson — 16th District

Families in the 16th District continue to send me to the Capitol because they trust me to fight hard for a better future for the people of Connecticut. The state budget agreement for 2023 that was adopted along party lines in May significantly undermines this future. It's not hard to see though the smoke and mirrors of this reckless budget. In its nearly 700 pages of giveaways and gimmicks, I could not find enough immediate relief to Connecticut taxpayers that justified support for billions in additional spending.

Even before the budget debate began prior to the end of the 2022 session, my constituents were asking if the Democrats were really interested in tax relief – or if it's just election year politics. Even a quick review of this sweeping proposal, which was distributed mere hours before the scheduled vote, is enough to illustrate that it is a wholly political document, designed for the purpose of advancing the cause of the Democrat party and not the state's residents, and to establish misleading talking points going into the November election.

The common refrain among CT Democrats is the 'historic tax cuts' included in this budget agreement. That is the narrative. However, there are no 'historic tax cuts' in the majority's budget. The lion's share of the Democrats' so-called tax cuts are not immediate, nor are they available to all residents. Most importantly, they pale in comparison to the permanent and massive increases in government spending that will impact us all for years to come. It's equivalent to taking an additional $22.00 out of your pocket then giving you back $6.00 in 'tax cuts.' Connecticut families, on average, will spend over $5,000 more per year for necessities: food, gas, and home heating oil among others. The Democrats are shamelessly gaslighting Connecticut residents.

If you really want to know if taxes are going up or down, look at the spending side of the budget. If anything is historic in this budget, it's the spending – a 10% increase in total spending over FY 22, soaring an additional $2.3 billion over the term of the budget - billions of dollars calculated for the government class to grow in size, scope, and authority.

Also included are a laundry list of special interest giveaways. These include expanded healthcare for undocumented aliens in Sections 234-235; redefining "reproductive healthcare" to include "gender dysphoria" in Section 192; debt-free college in Sections 119-120; and countless other controversial items that couldn't advance through the standard legislative process. This budget also has sizeable deficits already expected in the outyears because of these partisan additions.

More and more, the majority uses the budget itself as a catch-all for policy items they could not achieve using the normal legislative process.

None of this should come as a surprise. The majority Democrats have had a stranglehold on Connecticut's finances for decades. In just the last 12 years, they have increased the state budget more than 50%.

On an important note, I am proud of my Republican colleagues saying no to this irresponsible budget product despite a loud promotional campaign by CT Democrats with the help of large parts of the news media, and for standing together to offer an alternative package of real tax relief – which was sadly voted down on a party line, proving once again that the majority has little interest in anything besides growing government.

While individual taxpayers are struggling with crazy inflation and energy costs, the state is awash with cash – in part from the feds printing more and more dollars, and partly because higher costs for everything means increased tax revenue for the state.

During the budget debate, Republicans offered the only reasonable and proper solution to the state's multi-billion surplus – return as much of as possible to struggling taxpayers!

However, when approached with the Senate Republican plan for $1.2 billion in immediate tax relief for Connecticut families, Majority Democrats voted no as a block in both chambers.

As you continue to hear politicians and Connecticut media proclaim the virtues of this budget, please consider that Majority Democrats said 'no' to our proposals to: reduce the state income tax for low- and middle-income families and individuals; reduce the state sales tax and eliminate the meals tax through 2022; extend the gas tax suspension through 2022; eliminate the diesel tax entirely; and expand property tax relief, along with several other measures for families.

Connecticut Democrats will continue to overtax residents even now as inflation is crushing family budgets. Now is the time to return these dollars to CT residents.

As always, you can count on me to represent the interests of my constituents alone. You can reach me at senatorsampson.com

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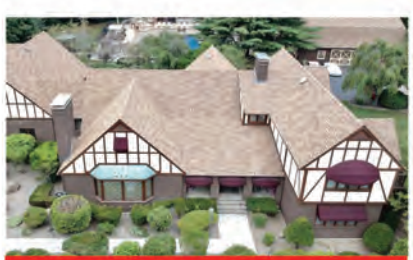
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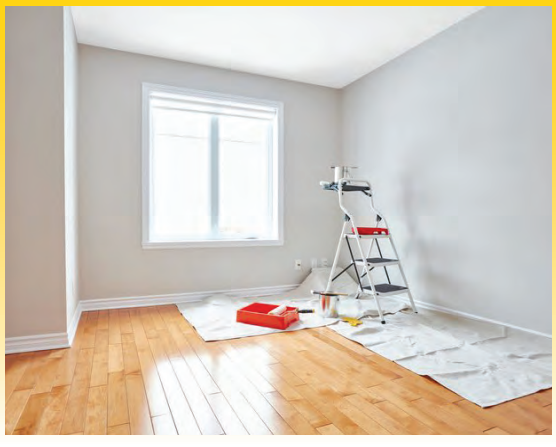

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Alcott School News

Project Explore students Alex and Bella raised $100 for the Wolcott Dog Pound through their Egg-cellent Pets photo bulletin board.

Project Explore student, Reagan, posing with her project, making Alcott beautiful with flowers!

Thank you to the PTO for their Teacher Appreciation Week festivities. We appreciate you!

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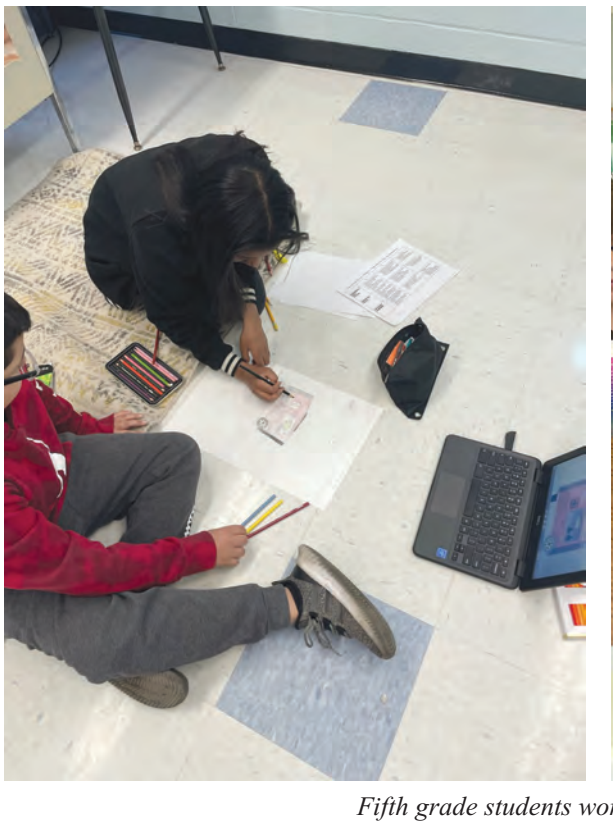

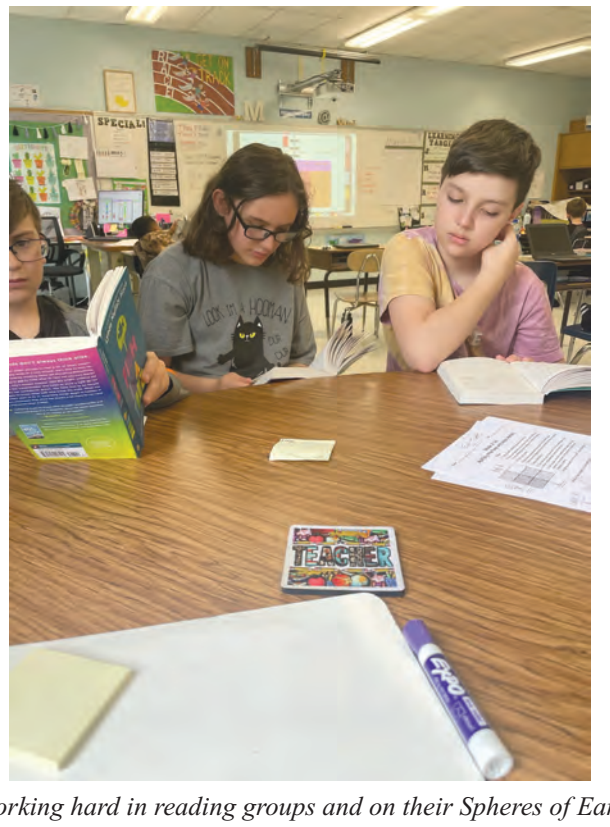

Fifth grade students working hard in reading groups and on their Spheres of Earth Performance Task.

Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance News

How Do I Become an EMT?

You see Wolcott Ambulances throughout the Town of Wolcott. You may have even needed to use our services in the past, but do you know what kind of training we have?

Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance Association is authorized by the State of Connecticut to operate at the "Mobile Intensive Care Paramedic" level. That means we respond to calls for help with at least one EMT and one Paramedic. Some might wonder what is involved in becoming an EMT.

Emergency Medical Service (EMS) providers are overseen by the Department of Public Health Office of Emergency Medical Services. The approved curriculum to become an EMT or Paramedic is set forth by the National Department of Transportation and taught by certified Emergency Medical Service Instructors throughout the State of Connecticut. Once the course is completed, the candidate applies for testing through the National Registry of Emergency Medical Technicians (NREMT). Upon successful completion of this national testing process, the State grants the new EMT a Connecticut certification to go along with their National Registry certificate.

The initial EMT course is a minimum of 150 hours. During that time, the student learns basic anatomy & physiology of the human body, how to treat the sick or injured person, and how to administer life saving treatments such as oxygen therapy, CPR, and bleeding control. This class is usually taught over a two-to-six-month period depending on the number of hours devoted to it each week.

Once you become an EMT, you can volunteer or work for an ambulance service and help those in need of medical assistance. Many EMTs go back to school to become Paramedics, Registered Nurses, Physician Assistants or even Medical Doctors!

Emergency Medical Technician Class

Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance Association is excited to announce our upcoming accelerated EMT Course! This fast paced ten-week course will run from June 4th until August 11, 2022. You will hear from several experienced EMS educators, be involved in hands on skills and gain the knowledge needed to become an EMT in your community! Class will be held on Tuesdays, Thursdays and select Saturdays from 10 AM until 4 PM. For more information about this course, visit us at www.wolcottambulance.com (EMT courses tab), call us at (203) 879-4122 or email us at training@wolcottambulance.com.

Membership

Are you currently certified as an EMT or licensed as a Paramedic in the State of Connecticut? We are looking for people to become part of our team. Here at Wolcott Ambulance, you will find a diverse group of EMTs and Paramedics with experience levels ranging from a few months to over forty years! Please contact us or download an application located on the "Volunteer Opportunities" tab on our website.

Stay Safe!

We couldn't do it without you! We would like to thank each one of you for your continued support of Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance. We are honored to serve this great community. Don't forget, as you are out and about enjoying your activities, stay safe!

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Join the Wolcott Land Conservation Trust (WLCT) on a guided hike at our beautiful Finch Brook Preserve on Saturday June 4th at 10:00. This is a moderate level 2.5 loop hike starting from the end of Barbara Drive in Wolcott. Pre-registration is required and easy. A link to register and all information is available at trailsday.org/events/finch-brook-trail/ - Hope to see you there!

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The Wolcott Land Owners Protective Association(WLOPA) learned recently that one of our members has close family in Ukraine and is trying to get them out. He is also coordinating a fundraising drive and the collection of specific medical supplies (see below list) for the people of Ukraine. WLOPA is supporting this effort on his behalf. Money is preferred. Our member will ensure that all donations get to Ukraine.

How to donate cash, checks, or medical supplies: Drop off at our clubhouse at 920 Woodtick Road, Wolcott, on the weekends between noon and 5pm. For checks, make them payable to: UAV Post 33 Aid to Ukraine Fun. If you want to mail check yourself, mail to: Aid to Ukraine Fund, PO Box 4009, Hamden, CT 06514

This is a list of the desired medical supplies (we are not collecting any other supplies except for the below):

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- Combat gauze
- Medical scissors
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- CAT Tourniquet(GEN7)
- Burn bandages(different sizes), dressings

If you have any questions, contact WLOPA at 203-879-9976 or email wlopa920@aol.com.

Frank Noble, President — WLOPA
Angelo Santoro, Vice President — WLOPA

Pizza Wars

On May 5th the Wolcott High School Robotics Team held Pizza Wars, a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society. Attendees got the chance to try pizzas from several different local pizza places and vote on the best. We'd like to thank the following businesses for their generosity in making this event possible:

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With your help, we were able to raise enough money to donate over $1200 to the American Cancer Society! We'd also like to congratulate the winners:

Best Cheese Pizza	**Best Specialty Pizza**
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2nd: Vito's Pizzeria	2nd: Vito's Pizzeria
3rd: Little Napoli Pizza	3rd: Five Guys Flippin Pies

Wolcott Grange #173

by Karen Mowad

Our front door project is complete. Our garden is growing. Our Little Free Library is thriving.

For years we have been known as "The Little Grange That Could." I am proud of our members and all the hard work they are putting in. We have so many upcoming projects and we have had many high school and middle school volunteers who have completed community service hours with us. Welcome to our newest member Rene Johnpiere. We are happy to have you join our group.

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WOLCOTT $49,900 — Spring has sprung! Time to build your dream home in an established neighborhood near Hitchcock Lake! 60 x 200 Residential lot on closed end street. Nearby Hitchcock Lake offers a beach area for town residents. City sewers on street, well required.

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PLYMOUTH $259,900 — This awesome Ranch is situated on a private, level lot surrounded by nature, right across from the entrance to the Blue Trail of the Mattatuck State Forest! This 6 room Ranch features kitchen, dining room, living room with huge fireplace, sliders to patio, 3 bedrooms and a renovated bathroom. Square footage can easily be doubled by finishing the basement which is same size as main living area. This home offers a brand new roof, new 200 amp electrical, freshly painted interior, refinished hardwood floors, new flooring in kitchen, living and dining rooms, chimneys were repointed and capped. The back yard abuts woods and leads to the Plymouth Town Forest Trail, a 1 mile Hiking trail, plus a babbling brook offers even more tranquility to this natural setting. If you are looking for a peaceful place to call home, this one is for you!

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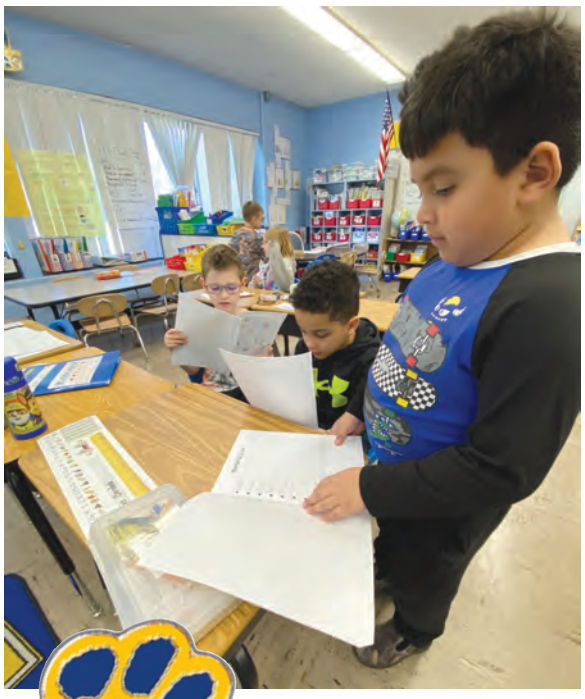

Mrs. Polletta's first graders did a fantastic job writing their How-To Informational Text books and sharing with each other.

Wakelee project Explore students posing with their reading project: to increase reading of students using the Nutmeg Nominees!

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Wolcott High School NEWS

Wolcott High School Graduation Class of 2022

Wolcott High School will hold the Sixty-First Annual Commencement Ceremony on Friday, June 10, 2022 at 7:00pm on the WHS Athletic Field.

Makayla Rose Cossette

Valedictorian, Wolcott High School Class of 2022

The Class of 2022 Valedictorian is Makayla Rose Cossette, daughter of Michael and Sheila Cossette.

Youssef Michael Macary

Salutatorian, Wolcott High School Class of 2022

The Salutatorian of the Class of 2022 is Youssef Michael Macary, son of Joseph and Meaghan Macary.

Wolcott High School Administration and Faculty extend their sincere congratulations on these exceptional achievements.

Congratulations Wolcott High School Eagles of the Month!

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Grade 10: Adam Murphy	Grade 10: Meya Vargas
Grade 11: Luke Connelly	Grade 11: Savannah Gould
Grade 12: Allie Maisto	Grade 12: Sarah Lagasse
Staff: Mrs. Sweeney	Staff: Mrs. Lorusso

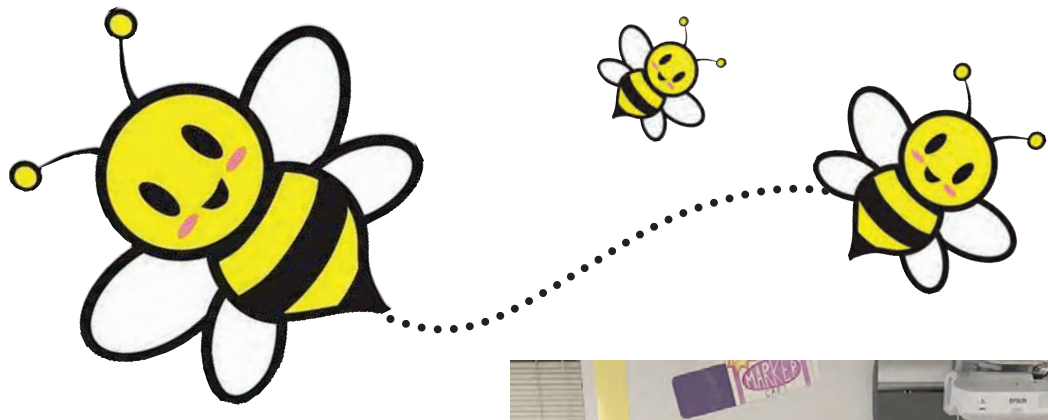
40 Juniors Inducted into Rho Kappa Social Studies Honor Society

Congratulations to the following juniors who have been selected this year for membership to the Rho Kappa National Social Studies Honor Society. These students have successfully met the qualifications of demonstrated excellence in social studies, leadership, citizenship, and service. Induction to Rho Kappa is dependent on a student's continued promise to uphold these qualifications to the best of their ability. Membership is contingent on maintaining high scholastic standing, enrolling in a social studies class senior year, maintaining good citizenship, and working with a team of fellow members to complete one service project. The newly inducted members are: Emmanuel Amankwa-Sarpong, Emily Conway, Jack Crimmins, Emily Cyr, Julianna D'Addona, Nicholas D'Alessio, Trisha Doucette, Avah Dumont, Nathan Ehmer, Maya Elsayed, Elizabeth Francisco, Savannah Gould, Nicole Guerrera, Olivia Guerrera, Alison Hensel, Kateryna Licherep, Tiffany Ly, Terrance Macary, Jenna Marciano, Alex Martin, Trudy Miles, Elena Murphy, Aurora Nasufi, Alani Navarro, Katryn Orluk-Rebelo, Grace Perugini, Hadixha Qyteza, Ava Sarasin, Nick Sconziano, Aidan Shoban, Amanda Sullivan, Julia Sullivan, Isabella Santulli, Angjelo Terolli, Sophia Tytymce, Abby Wrinn, Nathan Yachtis, Reese Yost, Besim Yucel, Erjona Zhuta.

Rho Kappa is advised by Social Studies teachers Michelle Thies and Matthew Toller. Wolcott High School's chapter is named in honor of Florence J. Goodman, retired social studies teacher and president of the Wolcott Historical Society.

Focus On Frisbie

On Wednesday, May 11th, the Frisbie School community came together to share our Blue Ribbon award. Over four hundred attendees enjoyed participating in potato sack races, volleyball, and other fun activities organized by the Frisbie staff. It was a great night to celebrate this award with the Frisbie students, families, and community members.



The Wolcott Robotics Team shared their love of science with our Frisbie students. Our students participated in hands-on experiments that focused around such science concepts as the density of liquids and fingerprints. Thank you to the Wolcott High School students for volunteering their time.

Congratulations to our April pizza winners. Five Guys Flippin' Pies will generously donate a personal size pizza to each winner as an incentive for turning in their reading and math logs for the month.

Frisbie Project Explore Art Club leads 4th grade peers in constructing portraits of Mona Lisa.

Frisbie's Golden Ticket winners for April 2022

Frisbie's Students of the Month for April 2022

Around Town Photography by Roger Picard

The Wolcott Public Works crews have been busy with spring clean ups. The Wolcott Town Green has gotten a fresh application of mulch around trees and flower beds and the grass has already been mowed.

The Wolcott Lions Club recently held a fundraiser pasta dinner at the Lion's Den on Wolcott Road for Lion member John Gagain. John has been experiencing some health issues that has put a financial burden on him and his family. Lions club members from throughout the state and Wolcott residents came out to support the event. In this photo John Gagain, on the left greets, attendees of the event.

The Exchange Club of Wolcott inducted a new member to the club recently. Atty. Eric Lanzieri of Wolcott was inducted by club President Annette Petruzzi and sponsored by club member Roger Picard. Photo by: Robin DiNicola

The annual BAW Parade that marks the beginning of the Little League season stepped off on April 30th from Frisbie School to the BAW Fields on Nichols Road. Our photographer caught an aerial perspective of the parade as the baseball players marched down Nichols Road to the BAW fields.

The Wolcott Public Works Highway Dept. has received delivery of their new 2022 Freightliner Vacuum truck. This truck and apparatus on it will be utilized to clean storm drains and sewer lines. It is equipped with hundreds of feet of pressurized hose, inspection cameras and maintenance equipment. After a three to four day training session for the crews assigned to operate this equipment, it will be put in service to perform maintenance service for the town for the next twenty years.

A Fedex delivery truck accidently backed into a telephone pole in the parking lot of the Farmingbury Hills Golf Course parking lot recently that almost severed the pole. Crews from Frontier Communications and Eversource Utilities responded to the scene to replace the pole.

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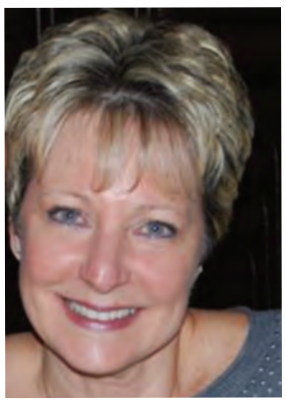

Donna Belval
Senior Center Director

Monday
9:45-10:30 Free-"Strength & Tone"—includes Weight Strengthening/Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief Exercises w/ Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation

1:30-3:00 Line Dancing

Tuesday
10:00 Free-"Strength, Stretching & Stress Relief"- includes Weight Strengthening Stretching/Balance/ Stress Relief Exercises w/ Kim Stewart sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation

12:00 Free-"Cardio, Strength & Balance"—includes Weight Strengthening Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief Exercises w/ Naida from Fitness Fury

"NEW"1:00 Free-"Pound Class" using weighted Drum Sticks w/ Naida from Fitness Fury

Wednesday
10:00-10:45 Free-"Senior Zumba" w/Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation

12:30-3:00 Bingo

Thursday
10:00 Free-"Strength, Stretching & Stress Relief"- includes Weight Strengthening Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief Exercises w/ Kim Stewart sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation

11:00 Free - Chair Yoga

12:30-3:00 Setback Card Games

12:30-3:00 Pinochle

Friday
10:00-11:30 Knitting/Crocheting

Monday - Friday
9:00-11:00 Setback

IF YOU SIGN UP FOR A BUS TRIP, PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR PHONE NUMBER IN CASE TRIP IS CANCELLED ***Parking for all bus trips will be in Woodtick Recreation parking lot

Wednesday, June 1
9:00 Bus leaves for shopping at Mystic Village — Sign up at the senior center

Monday, June 6
8:30 Bus leaves for Thimble Islands Boat Tour — $15.00 pp — Pay by Wed. June 1
Lunch to follow boat tour — Sign up at the senior center

Tuesday, June 7
11:00 Presentations — "Stay Safe in a Parking Lot" and "Avoid Purse Snatchers"
Sponsored by Dellavecchia Funeral Home — Sign up at the center

Wednesday, June 8
11:30 Lunch Special — Chicken Parmesan on a Roll, Chips & Dessert — $4.00 pp
Sign up 48 hours ahead to reserve lunch

Thursday, Jun 9
8:30-9:30 Free Father's Day Breakfast Sandwich — Bacon, Egg & Cheese on a Toasted Roll — No Take Outs — Sign up at the senior center

9:45 Bus leaves for shopping at Boscov's — Sign up at the center

10:30-11:30 Blood Pressures & Glucose Monitoring sponsored by Autumn Lake Health Care at Bucks Hill

11:30 Crafty Corner w/ Jeannie — learn to make a "Welcome" Wagon Wheel Door Decoration — $6.00 pp — Sign up at the center

Sunday, Jun 12
1:00 Bus leaves for 7 Angels Theater — "Shades of Bublé" — $45.00 pp, Pay by Wed. Jun 1

A 3-man tribute bring the swinging standards & pop hits of Michael Bublé to the stage in an unforgettable high-energy concert event. This act has consistently wowed audiences around the country with exciting harmonies, smooth choreography, and with his charming, good looks.

Tuesday, Jun 14
11:00 bus leaves for The Great Taste of China — Sign up at the senior center

Wednesday, Jun 15
11:30 Lunch Special—Corned Beef & Swiss on Rye Bread, Chips & Dessert

$4.00 pp – Sign up 48 hours ahead of time to reserve lunch

5:00 Bus leaves for New Britain Bees Baseball Game- $5.00 pp – Pay by Jun 8, Sign up at the center

Friday, Jun 17
8:30-9:30 Breakfast Special — Sausage, Egg & Cheese on a Toasted Roll — $2.00 pp — Sign up or call for reservations 48 hours ahead

Wednesday, Jun 22
11:00 Bus leaves for "Lights & Sights Light House Boat Cruise" from New London

$33.00 pp — Pay by Thurs. June 9 — Sign up at the senior center

11:30 Lunch Special — Italian Combo w/ lettuce/Roll, Chips & dessert — $3.00 pp — Sign up 48 hours ahead to reserve lunch

Thursday, Jun 23
11:30 Crafty Corner w/ Jeannie — Learn to make a 4th of July Table Decoration — $5.00 pp—Sign up at the center

5:00 Bus leaves for New Britain Bees Baseball game — $5.00 pp, pay by Wed. June 15 — Sign up at the senior center

Friday, Jun 24
8:30-9:30 Breakfast Special — French Toast w/ Sausage — $2.00 pp, Sign up or call for reservations 48 hours ahead

10:00 Bus leaves for Cricket Hill Garden-Thomaston—Famous for rare & unusual Peonies — Sign up at the senior center

Tuesday, Jun 28
8:00 Bus leaves for Mohegan Sun Casino — no casino / lunch pkg — Sign up at the center

11:30-3:00 Reflexology w/ Kim — $20.00 for 20 minutes — Sign up at the center

Thursday, Jun 30
11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at Blue colony Diner — Sign up at the center

We are still offering "Grab and Go" lunches from New Opportunities every Tuesday and Thursday at 11:30 AM pick up. To qualify, you must be at least 60 years of age and fill out a form-5 sheet that will be provided to you. The suggested donation for lunch is $3.00. Order Friday for Tuesday lunches and Tuesday for Thursday lunches. Call the senior center or stop in to pick up a menu for the month.

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Students from Wolcott High School Community Service Club, Culinary Dept., and Jazz Band members joined in our senior's exercise class before the start of the Senior's Prom.

Many thanks to the Wolcott High School's Community Service Club, Jazz Band, and the Culinary Classes for sponsoring a Senior's Prom at our senior center!

Our Free Mother's Day Breakfast was a huge success at our senior center on May 5

Our crafty seniors made beautiful dress form plant stand holders during "Crafty Class" w/ Jeannie

Wolcott Historical Society - June 2022

by Florence Goodman

A landmark is "an object or feature of a landscape or town that is easily seen and recognized from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location." When I think of landmarks in our town, I think of places like our town green, lakes and reservoirs or buildings found here. This month I'd like to share the history of an interesting landmark that is not your typical one, but one that most people know, and it has only been around since the late 1960s.

The Mickey Mouse rock is located at the intersection of Spindle Hill Road and North Street. If you live in the northern or western section of town you know exactly where this rock can be found, but those residents who live on the eastern and southern section of Wolcott may not. Over the years different residents have stepped up to care for this interesting landmark, but no one really knew the exact history of it. In January of 2022 I was following a Facebook post as various residents commented about this rock and how it came about and who was responsible for its origin and upkeep. The information varied until Rick Miller Sr. decided to set the record straight. I never knew the history of the rock and thought it was time to share Rick's knowledge with my readers.

Rick's family moved to Lakeview Drive, which is in the Cedar Lake section of Wolcott in 1955. The Millers had eleven children and this neighborhood was a great place for them to grow up. There were many young families moving into the area, so the neighborhood was filled with kids of all ages. As the kids grew older, they were always looking for places to hang out. Around 1965 it was Rick's oldest brother, Eddy who first painted the rock. He painted it black, and his mom suggested that he call it the "Thinker Rock" after the TV sitcom "Dobby Gillis." This became the neighborhood hang out for the high school age kids in the lake area. Rick remembers the names of some of the families that lived in the neighborhood at the time. There were: Booker, LaFrance, French, Patnaude, Yeno, Pisino, Small, Tyndall, Riley, Homes, Keith, Fortier, and Markure. After most of the guys that hung out at the "Thinker Rock" graduated in the late 60s the rock received a "make-over." Around 1969 Rick Miller Sr. and Matt Tyndall came up with an idea to paint Mickey Mouse on the rock. They asked Steve Patnaude who was the artist in the neighborhood and good friend of Eddy's to draw Mickey on the rock and they would paint it and the "Mickey Mouse Rock" was born.

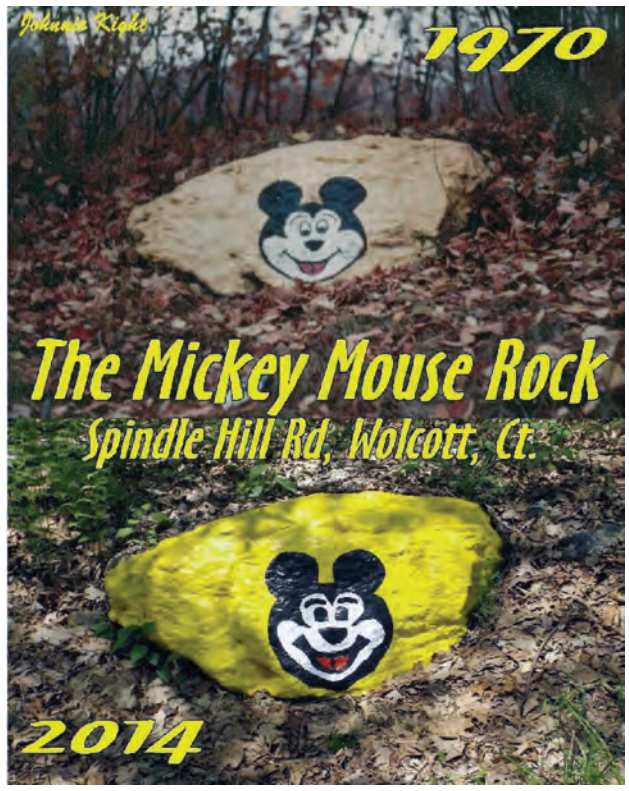
Rick went into the military in 1973 and if his memory serves him correctly, he stated that his younger brother Pat and Mrs. Tarnowski took over the upkeep of it with her son Mike and daughter Barbara. They continued to do so until 1983 when Rick and his family moved into the Riley home on the same street where he grew up. He was then able to oversee the upkeep of this well-known landmark in the northern section of town. Rick said there may have been others who were part of the upkeep crew while he was away, but he does not remember who they were.

Presently Rick's 13-year-old grandson, Joey Finke who also lives on Lakeview Drive has kept up with the painting of the rock, shoveling the snow around it in the winter and weed whacking the area in the spring and summer. Rick hopes that Joey will continue to do so for years to come. Rick and his family take great pride in making sure this wonderful landmark will be here for generations to come. He hopes to repaint the rock this summer, so it looks like the 1970s version that Tony Marino posted on Facebook because it has gone through changes over the years, and he'd like to get it back to its original look.

Rick stated that back in 1969 he, Steve and Matt just wanted to do something special for the neighborhood kids. Little did they know that it would become the talk of the town for years to come as well as a well-known landmark.

(Information for this article was taken from a Facebook post in January 2022 by Rick Miller Sr and a photo on Facebook from Tony Marino)

The Mickey Mouse Rock in 2022. This photo was taken by Flo Goodman.



The Mickey Mouse Rock in1970 and 2014. This photo was posted on Facebook by Tony Marino, but the upper left hand corner credits Jonnie Kight for the 1970 photo.

17th Annual Duck Race & Festival Returns to Downtown Naugatuck on Sunday, June 5th

NAUGATUCK — After a two-year hiatus due to pandemic limitations, the Naugatuck Chamber of Commerce's annual Duck Race and Festival will make a return on Sunday, June 5 from 11AM to 4PM in downtown Naugatuck.

The event, now in its 17th year and which has options for individuals of all ages, is marked by the famous duck race, when up to 20,000 rubber ducks are launched into the Naugatuck River. The duck that crosses the line first takes home $5,000. The day will feature live music from the Rubber City Band, arts and craft vendors, food and drink, and a variety of activities for children, including a roaming railroad train, bounce houses, and circus talent. Businesses will also be on hand to exhibit their products and services to the more than 5,000 people who attend each year. The festival is held rain or shine.

"While we continued the spirit of Duck Day in 2020 and 2021 with a virtual celebration, fundraising initiatives for nonprofits, and other fun activities, we are excited to bring this beloved event back to the streets of downtown Naugatuck," said Lynn Ward, president and CEO of the Naugatuck Chamber. "We encourage the public to get involved in this year's Duck Race and Festival and extend an invitation for area businesses to partner with us, as well. We are gearing up to make this year's festival the best one yet!"

Since 2006, Duck Day has also helped over 350 area nonprofit organizations raise more than $403,000 as part of the Duck Day raffle. For each $5 ticket sold, 50 percent of the sale goes back to the participating nonprofit of the ticket purchase's choice. There are 20 prizes to be given out this year, including $5,000 for first prize, $1,000 for second prize, and $500 for third prize. Tickets can be purchased at www.duckday.com.

This year's Tidal Sponsors include Haynes Construction, Haynes Development, and Haynes Materials; Mandarin Sponsors are Ion Bank and Liberty Bank; Mallard Sponsors: Citizen's News/Republican-American, Eversource, Ferrari's Appliance Sales & Service, Paraco Gas, Post University, and Saint Mary's Hospital. To join this list and other additional sponsors, contact Chris Caulfield at ccaulfield@waterburychamber.com

There are many ways to get involved in this year's 17th Annual Duck Race & Festival in addition to attending the free event. Nonprofits who have not yet registered, can participate in the Duck Day fundraiser There are a variety of sponsorship opportunities still available, as well as openings for food vendors, businesses of all sizes, and arts and crafters, to secure a booth at the event. For more information, contact the Chamber office at 203-757-0701.

To learn more about the 2022 Naugatuck Chamber Duck Race & Festival, visit www.duckday.com, call 203-757-0701.

Junior Women's Club News

The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott elected new officers for the 2022-2023 year: President – Judy Bellemare, Vice President – Judy Bellemare, Vice President – Jeanne Thomas, Recording Secretary – Colette Bowes, Treasurer – Joanne Pajak & Corresponding Secretary – Karen Dollinger. The new officers were installed at the club's May Banquet held May 18th at Zuppa's restaurant in Wolcott.

We celebrated National Teachers Day by delivering cookies to the schools. Our own Little Miss and Mr. Wolcott attended the Special Games on May 22nd. On May 26th our 3 scholarships were awarded to Wolcott students who are planning to attend college in the fall.

We will be sponsoring our Little Miss and Mr. Wolcott Contest to be held at the Lions Club Fair in September. The event is open for the first 20 girls and 20 boys who submit their completed application. Applicants must reside in Wolcott and must be between the ages of 4 & 7. Look for the Application on our website or next month's Community News.

The club will host its Annual Golf Tournament on Sunday August 28th at the Farmingbury Golf Course. Format will be a shot gun event. Dinner and raffle prizes will be following the golf at East Street Eatery. All golfers are welcome! Don't golf? Don't worry you can purchase a "Tee Sponsor" sign to advertise your company or business. Please request and complete an entry form today. For additional information, please contact Golf Tournament Chairwomen, Lee Jensen at eileenleejensen@gmail.com or 203-753-2083 or Karen Dollinger kdoll20@yahoo.com or contact any Junior Club member.

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. Females 18+ may apply for membership - P.O. Box 6116, Wolcott, CT 06716. We are a small but active club (15 members strong!), all our welcome! Please check out our website www.juniorwomensclubofwolcott.org for more information on all of these projects or email us at wolcott juniors@gmail.com .

A Minute with the Clerk

by Karen Mowad, MCTC, MMC

Clerks Week

The 53rd Annual Professional Municipal Clerks Week was celebrated May 1 through 7, 2022. Initiated in 1969 by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks and endorsed by all of its members throughout the United States, Canada and 15 other countries, the week is a time of celebration and reflection on the importance of the Clerk's office. In 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation that officially declared Municipal Clerks Week the first full week of May. In 1994 and 1996, President Bill Clinton also signed proclamations confirming Municipal Clerks Week.

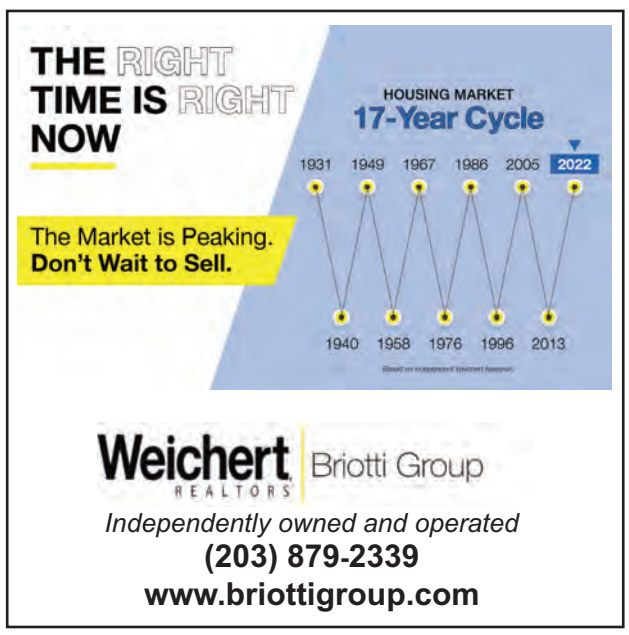
June is dog license month!

ALL dogs licenses are due to renew in **JUNE.** For the safety of your pet, to be in compliance with Connecticut State Law, and to avoid late fees and fines please be prompt.

Our office is open M, T, W 8:00-4:30 pm, TR 8:00 -5:30pm and Friday 8:00 -12 noon. If for some reason you are not able to appear in person, you may license your dog through the mail.

Dog License Fees (Sec. 22-338 through 22-352)
Neutered Male, Spayed Female $8.00*
Male, Female 19.00*

**Late licensing penalty (per month) $1.00*



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Wolcott Food Pantry Thanks You

The Wolcott Food Pantry volunteers would like to thank the residents of Wolcott that support our mission of helping those in our community that need a hand-up.

Our current food distribution model is a bi-weekly distribution and we operate as a drive-through service with pre-packed bags of food placed in the trunk or back seat of the client's vehicle.

Our distribution dates for the next few weeks are as follows: June 8th, June 22nd and July 6th. All dates are Wednesdays between 8:45AM to 11:45AM.

If you or someone you know is in need of food and is a Wolcott resident, please contact the Wolcott Food Pantry at 203-704-7402. We are located at 358 Woodtick Road, Wolcott, CT.

We accept non-perishable food donations at our drop-off box located at our front door (7 x 24) or stop in on Monday & Tuesday between 8:30 and 11AM and say hello!.

You can help our volunteers out if you can check those dates and eliminate the expired ones from the donation. If you're out shopping, and would like to drop-off some food, here's a short list of food products that would be helpful:

Shelf-Stable Milk	Canned Meats	Jarred Pasta Sauce
Canned Fruit	Coffee / Tea	Juices
Baked Beans	Peanut Butter	Salad Dressing
Cereal	Chili	Pasta
Canned Chicken	Pudding	Instant Potatoes
Stews	Jelly	Soup or Broth
Oatmeal	Mac & Cheese	Rice
	Condiments	

A number of local organizations (Pat's, Walsh's, Post Office, Wolcott Library and Stop & Shop of Wtby) also provide locations at the checkout to leave a food donation for the Pantry. We thank the management of those locations for their on-going support.

Monetary donations can be mailed to:
Wolcott Resource Center – Food Pantry
PO Box 6172, Wolcott, CT 06716

Thank You to a young student in Wolcott. Her name is MiKayll and she recently ran a door-to-door food drive in her neighborhood where she collected 247 lbs of food on our behalf!

Thank You Weichert Realty. Representatives from the organization stopped by to make an Easter donation.

Thank You to the parishioners of 'St. Basil the Great' parish. They hold food drives in our name regularly and we appreciate the thought and effort that go into these events. Thank you as well to the 2 parishioners that delivered the 340 lbs of food to our house!

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Chesprocott Health District's Health Corner!

Chesprocott Health District Brings Awareness to Skin Protection especially as summer approaches

Everyone thinks about sun safety during the summer or at the beach. But it's important to protect yourself all year long – even on cloudy and hazy days. The sun, as well as tanning beds and sunlamps, gives off an invisible kind of radiation called ultraviolet (UV) rays. Too much exposure to UV rays can damage your skin and eyes, and lead to cancer. The hours between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. are the most dangerous for UV exposure. To play it safe, stay in the shade; use a broad-spectrum sunscreen with a sun protective factor (SPF) of 15 or higher; and wear full-coverage clothing, sunglasses and wide-brimmed hats, re-apply throughout the day, wear lotion or make up with sunscreen already in it. Plan ahead, by always having sunscreen in your bag!

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Set Back Tournament

The Ladies' Guild of St. Basil the Great are happy to report that we had 72 players at our tournament in April. We would like to thank all who helped set-up, cleaned up and work the event. It was a great evening especially for those who walked away with prizes. The anchor prize was given to Linda Varlese and the top 3 scorers were Andy Vaichus, Karen Morzella and John Koskovich. We wish everyone a wonderful summer vacation. — *Rachel Wisler and Janet Tynan*

Friends of the Wolcott Library

ARTpass — Looking for a great place to go this summer. The Wolcott Library just received 2 passes valid though December of 2023 for the Wadsworth Athenium Museum of Art in Hartford. Each pass provides free admission for 2 adults, a $30 value. Youth ages 17 and under are free. The passes may be used to register for daily public tours at no extra cost. Call 860-838-4100 or e-mail info@theWadsworth.org. to pre-register as the tours capacities are limited. At our last meeting, the Friends also renewed the passes to the Carousel Museum in Bristol as well as the Children's Museum of West Hartford which also includes the Roaring Brook Nature Center. Recently, the Mattatuck Museum was also renewed and they are showcasing 3 new summer exhibitions. "The Garden" will highlight works from 8 artists in various mediums on the beauty of nature. "Shipwrecks: Duty of Memory" has a display of photographs from all over the world. This is the fist time these have been exhibited in Connecticut. Lastly, "Mystery & Benevolence: Masonic and Odd Fellow Folk Art" will showcase these 2 organizations and their histories. We hope you will take advantage of these discounts over the summer months. These perks are available with your current Wolcott Library Card. Has yours expired? Did you have one and misplaced it? You can get a new card for $3.00 which is quite a bargain for all the items you can borrow with it. If you have never had a card, now would be the time to stop by the main circulation desk upstairs and apply for one or go to our website www.wolcottlibrary.org and fill out the form provided. Its simple and quick and first cards are FREE. The website also has a list of our current museum passes and coupons so look us up for bargains this summer. You can also give us your e-mail address and we will put you in our Constant Contact Program where you will receive notices about all the upcoming programs for children and adults sponsored by both the Friends and the Library. If you join Wowbrary you will receive weekly updates on all the new items we have plus the instructions on how to reserve the newest releases. The Friends would also like to thank Boy Scout Troop 230 for assisting our landscaping committee with the freshening up of the outdoors. They also came to help us on our special collection day. Thank you to all our patrons who donated books to our sale and have a great summer!

The Wolcott Food Pantry needs your help!

Over the years, our client base has grown significantly. As a result we find ourselves in need of a second vehicle in order to maintain the level of service we currently provide. We are reaching out to all businesses in town who may be considering replacing one of their trucks.

Specifically a 'box' truck or large van. Our current vehicle is a box truck and is getting old. Maintenance is becoming an issue. If you can help, by considering a donation or a purchase opportunity, please contact the Wolcott Food Pantry at the following:

Attn: Connie at (203 704-7402

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Summer Reading Returns!

Summer reading kicks off on Saturday, June 18th with an interactive science & story performance by Talewise. More special programs are planned for Monday nights, including a hula hooping program 6/20 and a visit from Mystic Aquarium 6/27. Storytime returns Tuesdays at 10:30 (library front lawn, 6/21-7/26), and we are very excited to be offering "Storytime in the Park" on Thursdays at 4:30 (Peterson Park, 6/23-7/28). "Camp WPL" will offer fun and enriching activities for grades K-5 (Wednesdays at 5 p.m. 6/22-7/27).

Wolcott Public Library's popular Summer Reading BINGO will return with exciting challenges and prizes for all ages. We offer challenges for little kids (birth- pre-k), big kids (K-5th grade), teens (6th -12th grade) and adults (18+).

Summer reading is a huge undertaking, and we couldn't do it without the dozens of teen volunteers who will be helping us out this summer. Teens are also invited to "Teen Takeover" on Monday nights at 7 p.m. (6/20-8/1). There will be crafts, snacks & music for kids entering Grades 6-12.

For more info on Summer Reading, email Ms. Meghan at mmorin@biblio.org or visit our website: wolcottlibrary.org.

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Congratulations Class of 2022!

Commencement Exercises will be held Friday, June 10th

Tyrrell Middle School – 4:30PM

Wolcott High School – 7:00PM

Rain dates: June 11th and June 12th

Kindergarten Pre-Registration for the 2022-2023 School Year

If you have a child who will be Five (5) years old on or before January 1, 2023, 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. 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.

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The Wolcott Latchkey Program

Registration for the Wolcott Public School year 2022 – 2023

Registration **officially started on April 1st** for all families in the Wolcott Public School system. Registration **officially ends on July 1st.**

The Wolcott Latchkey Program is on a first come first served basis. Once we are full, there are no exceptions for adding more families. We must stay within the Connecticut laws for Day Care, on how many children can register. Information on available openings is listed below. Registration packets can be picked up during the Wolcott Latchkey Program hours, at each cafeteria. 7:00 - 8:30 am or 3:30 - 5:30 pm

Wakelee Latchkey Program is full for the morning and afternoon hours.

Frisbie Latchkey has only a few spots left for the morning and afternoon hours. **Alcott Latchkey only has a few spots left for the morning and afternoon hours.** If you have any questions, please email the Wolcott Latchkey Director Tracey Fitzmorris, tfitzmorris@wolcottps.org

Wolcott Summer Latchkey

Registration for the Summer Latchkey Program has started. You can find the link for the Summer Latchkey registration form online at www.wolcottps.org

Registration for Summer Latchkey **officially ends on June 6, 2022**

Wolcott Board of Education 2021-2022 Meeting Schedule

All In-Person Board of Education meetings will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Tyrrell Middle School's Large Group Instruction Room unless otherwise indicated on the Agenda posting.

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

	FIRST	SECOND
MAY	09 (Monday)	23 (Monday)

2022-2023 Meeting Schedule

	FIRST	SECOND
JULY	11 (Mon - BOE Offices)	
AUGUST	08 (Mon - BOE Offices)	22(Mon - BOE Offices)
SEPTEMBER	06 (Tuesday)	19 (Monday)
OCTOBER	03 (Monday)	17 (Monday)
NOVEMBER	07 (Monday)	21 (Monday)
DECEMBER	12 (Monday)	
JANUARY	09 (Monday)	
FEBRUARY	06 (Monday)	
MARCH	06 (Monday)	20 (Monday)
APRIL	03 (Monday)	24 (Monday)
MAY	08 (Monday)	22 (Monday)
JUNE	05 (Monday)	19 (Monday)

Wolcott Public Schools Directors 2021-2022

Central Office – 203 879-8183
- Superintendent of Schools: Dr. Anthony Gasper. –203 879-8183
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- Assistant Superintendent: Mr. Shawn Simpson – 203 879-8430
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- 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: Mr. Tyler Meccariello

Tyrrell Athletics – 203 879-8173
- Coordinator: Mr. Tyler Meccariello

District Compliance Officers

a) **Title VI (race, color, national origin)** - Mr. Matthew Calabrese, Alcott Elementary School Principal –203 879-8430

b) **Title IX (sex equity)** - Mr. Matthew Calabrese, Alcott Elementary School Principal –203 879-8160

c) **Age Discrimination** - Mr. Matthew Calabrese, Alcott Elementary School Principal –203 879-8430

d) **Section 504 (handicap)** - Mr. Walter Drewry, Wolcott High School Principal, –203 879-8164

e) **Americans with Disabilities (ADA)**- Mr. Kevin Hollis – 203 879-8178

f) **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 Public Schools 2021-2022 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

Top Left to Right: Mr. David Therrien; Mrs. Nikoleta Kollchaku; Superintendent Dr. Anthony Gasper; Chairman Mrs. Cynthia Mancini; Mr. Christopher Charette
Lower Left to Right: Mr. Chris Gaffney; Vice-Chairman Mrs. Kelly Mazza; Mrs. Kathleen Cordone; Mr. Anthony Gugliotti; Secretary Ms. Roberta Leonard

Wolcott Public Schools – School Calendar 2021-2022

July

M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
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August (7/5)

M	T	W	TH	F
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September (21/21)

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October (20/20)

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November (18/18)

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29	30			

December (17/17)

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January (17/17)

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31				

February (16/16)

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28				

March (23/23)

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April (15/15)

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May (21/21)

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June (11/11)

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27	28	29	30	

Date/Event or Holiday	
August 23, 2021	Convocation
August 24, 2021	PD Day
August 25, 2021	First Day for Students
September 6, 2021	Labor Day
October 11, 2021	Columbus Day
November 2, 2021	Election Day
November 11, 2021	Veterans Day
November 24-26, 2021	Thanksgiving (half day on the 24th)
December 23 - 31, 2021	Holiday Recess (half day on the 23rd)
January 17, 2022	Martin Luther King Day
February 21-22, 2022	February Recess
April 15, 2022	Good Friday
April 18 - 22, 2022	April Recess
May 30, 2022	Memorial Day
June 15, 2022	Last Day (tentative, half day on the 14th and 15th)

# of Student and Staff Days

	Staff	Student
August	7	5
September	21	21
October	20	20
November	18	18
December	17	17
January	17	17
February	16	16
March	23	23
April	15	15
May	21	21
June	11	11
Total Days	**186**	**184**

*August 25, 26 and 27th will be transition days for Kindergarten, only Kindergarten students will be dismissed at 12:45 p.m. on these 3 days.

If the school calendar is impacted by inclement weather, the first sixteen (16) days will be cancellations and these days will be made up at the end of the school year. After sixteen (16) cancellations, additional days will be taken from April vacation beginning with April 22, 2022 and moving backward from there.

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Wolcott Public Schools – School Calendar 2022-2023

July

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August (3/0)

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29	30	31		

September (21/21)

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October (20/20)

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November (18/18)

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December (17/17)

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January (20/20)

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February (18/17)

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March (23/22)

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April (14/14)

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May (22/22)

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June (10/10)

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Date/Event or Holiday		
August 29, 2022	Convocation	
August 30, 2022	PD Day	
August 31, 2022	PD Day	
September 1, 2022	**First Day of School**	
September 5, 2022	Labor Day	
October 10, 2022	Columbus Day	
November 8, 2022	Election Day	
November 11, 2022	Veterans Day	
November 23-25, 2022	Thanksgiving (half day 23rd)	
Dec 23, 2022 - Jan. 2, 2023	Holiday Recess (half day 23rd)	
January 16, 2023	Martin Luther King Day	
February 17, 2023	PD Day	
February 20-21, 2023	February Recess	
March 20, 2023	PD Day	
April 7, 2023	Good Friday	
April 10 - 14, 2023	Spring Recess	
May 29, 2023	Memorial Day	
June 14, 2023	Last Day (tentative half day 13th and 14th	
# of Student and Staff Days	Staff	Student
August	3	0
September	21	21
October	20	20
November	18	18
December	17	17
January	20	20
February	18	17
March	23	22
April	14	14
May	22	22
June	10	10
Total Days	**186**	**181**

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Revised by BOE March 07, 2022

Target on Tyrrell

Pictures from TMS Grade 8 Book Club members baking bread as a follow up activity after they read the book All You Knead is Love.

TMS held their Spring Chorus Concert on May 10th and their Spring Band Concert on May 11th at Wolcott High School.

Congratulations to the TMS May Students of the Month

Sabana Laporte
Luke DellaVecchia
Christopher Kane
Alyssa Hernandez
Gilbert Lin
Taylor Schepis
Cayla Blatchley
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Wolcott $379,900 - Newly remodeled 4 BR, 1.5 bath Ranch; Kitchen w/center island & stainless steel appliances, large LR w/fireplace, MBR w/full bath, newer vinyl siding, 1 car detached garage, fenced in yard. ***Ask for Marita Calabro.***

Wolcott $597,000 - To Be Built; Cont Colonial in the Preserve Subdivision; open floor plan, 4 BRs, 2.5 baths, kitchen w/granite counters & island, FDR w/crown molding, great room w/propane FP, MBR w/full bath & walk-in closet, c/air, 2 car garage, seasonal water views. ***Ask for Lynn or J.R.***

Waterbury $124,900 - East End 2 BR Townhouse close to Wolcott line; eat-in kitchen with appliances, nice size LR, 1.5 baths, includes washer/dryer. Close to shopping, bus line & highway. ***Ask for Sali Barolli.***

Southington $379,000 - Stunning half a Duplex with huge private back yard; open floor plan, HW floors, 3 BRs, 2.5 baths, kitchen w/tray ceiling, granite counters & breakfast bar, dining area, sliders to deck, LR w/fireplace, MBR suite, great room w/vaulted ceiling. 2 car garage. ***Ask for Lynn Lombardi.***

Waterbury Multi $189,900 - Two family home features 4 rooms, 2 bedrooms, 1 full bath each floor. Updates include windows, roof, boilers, refinished floors. Off street parking. ***Ask for J.R. Donorfio.***

LAND LOTS

WOLCOTT

$59,900 - Builders, Buyers! Check out this .78 acre lot. City water available.

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

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

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

WATERBURY

$275,000 - Builders! Developers! Take Notice! 11.23 acres of land adjacent to a subdivision of beautiful homes built between 2005-2007. Possibility of a 41-lot subdivision.

SOUTHBURY

$325,000 - Beautiful property on almost 4 acres of flat, treed land. Topo map available showing proposed septic system and proposed house location.

Lucienne Marsella

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Stephen Monnerat

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Ken Reeder

Michael Salvio

Chris Stoddard

Lynn Lombardi

Derek Turbacuski

REAL ESTATE NEWS CORNER

MORTGAGE FINANCING

In a typical year, most buyers take out a mortgage to finance their home purchase, most commonly 30-year, fixed-rate financing using a conforming loan. That's a loan that's packaged into a security by Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac and sold to investors on Wall Street. The two secondary mortgage market companies guarantee the securities, making them attractive to investors all around the world. Many other buyers use financing backed directly by the federal government through FHA, the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, or the Rural Housing Service, a division of the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Jumbo loans, which are loans outside the conforming loan limit, are the largest type of privately funded, privately insured mortgages. Many lenders also make loans underwritten on a proprietary basis and held in their own portfolio to help borrowers who don't fit into standardized underwriting boxes but who represent reasonable credit risks.

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