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Happy Birthday Jill and Tony!
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Congratulations Penelope! Off to Kindergarten!
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The Wolcott Junior Women's Club recently awarded their annual Roseanne Barratt Community Service Award at a ceremony held at Father Shea Hall in St. Pius X Church. Two local women were nominated for the award. Chris Culver of CC's Chocolates and Robin DiNicola, who is a member of the Exchange Club of Wolcott. The selection committee for the Junior Women's Club selected Robin DiNicola after reviewing both nominees submission letters and bio's. Judy Bellemare, Club President, reads a citation from the State of CT to Robin as Chris looks on.

Photography by Picard



During their final meeting before the summer break, the Exchange Club of Wolcott presented outgoing President Annette Petruzzi with a President's plaque, for her two years of service as club president. She is being presented the plaque from incoming president, Roger Picard.

Photo by: Nancy Picard



The annual Wolcott Historical Society Garden Tour took place July 8th. Five Wolcott residents participated in the tour this year. In this photo, the garden of Flo Goodman on Peterson Lane was one of the largest on the tour. This year's tour was a huge success with the number of tickets sold to view the gardens. *Photography by Picard*



Our photographer caught this image of a collection of antique bicycles that were on display at the Elephant Barn on Center Street recently. The ever changing display of antique items on the property attracts motorist's attention daily. *Photography by Picard*

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BIRTHDAYS

Leo
July 23rd - August 22nd
"The Lion"

People born under the sign of Leo are natural born leaders. They are dramatic, creative, self-confident, dominant and extremely difficult to resist, able to achieve anything they want to in any area of life they commit to. There is a specific strength to a Leo and their "king of the jungle" status. Leo often has many friends for they are generous and loyal. Self-confident and attractive, this is a Sun sign capable of uniting different groups of people and leading them as one towards a shared cause, and their healthy sense of humor makes collaboration with other people even easier.

August 3rd — Olivia Jane Plantier
August 17th — Bob Moore

Virgo
August 23rd - September 22nd
"The Virgin"

Virgos are always paying attention to the small-est details and their deep sense of humanity makes them one of the most careful signs of the zodiac. Their methodical approach to life ensures that nothing is left to chance, and although they are often tender, their heart might be closed for the outer world. This is a sign often misunderstood, not because they lack the ability to express, but because they won't accept their feelings as valid, true, or even relevant when opposed to reason. The symbolism behind the name speaks well of their nature, born with a feeling they are experiencing ev-erything for the first time.

August 23rd — Lauren Fasano Plantier
August 26th — Renato Pisani

A Minute with the Clerk
by Karen Mowad, MCTC, MMC

Each year I apply for and am awarded a grant from the State of Connecticut. The award amount is based on town size and funds are generated by the venue collected for the recording of land records. There are very strict guidelines on what kind of projects you can use the money for to best benefit the preservation of permanent records. For 2023, we continued an ongoing project to scan old land records into our online system. This saves wear and tear on our oldest books and allows us to efficiently locate and print older records. Our search index goes back to 1960 and the ability to print records goes back to 1914!!

This is also a great check to make sure all pages are accounted for. If any pages should be missing, they may be located on stored microfilm and recreated (for a hefty fee due to the nature of the work needed to be done). We are very protective of our records. These land records, meeting minutes, birth, death, marriage, military discharges, etc. are some of Wolcott's greatest treasures.

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Community EVENTS Calendar

There's Always Something Good Going On
SPREAD THE WORD!

**Aug 5th - Saturday (rain or shine)
Asbury UMC Blueberry Festival**

Location: Asbury United Methodist Church
90 Church Ave., Forestville, CT. (sec. of Bristol)
Time: 8:00am-10:00am Pancake Breakfast
10:00am-2:00pm Vendor Fair
Info: Music, Food, Fun & Delicious Blueberry treats including pie slices, cobbler, sundaes, frozen pies (unbaked). Hot dog lunch.
Contact: For more information contact Heidi Borkowski at hfbork@aol.com or Gardner Wright at gwright77@aol.com Church Office 860-584-0529

**Aug 9th - Wednesday
Best of Wolcott Pizza Corncorrenzia**

Location: Wolcott Congregational Church
185 Center St., Wolcott, CT.
Time: 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Cost: \$10 adults - \$5 children under 10
Info: Tickets available by calling the church at 203-879-1293

**Sept 10th - Sunday
Exchange Club of Wolcott
Annual Clam Jam**

Location: Woodtick Recreation Pavilion
201 Nichols Rd., Wolcott, CT
Time: 10:00am - 4:00pm
Cost: \$45 Adults - \$15 Children under 16
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**August 20th - 6pm at Peterson Park
Southern Voice**

**August 27th - 6pm at Town Green
Acoustic Routes**

**September 3rd - 6pm at Town Green
Kathy Thompson Band**

**September 10th - 6pm at Town Green
History of Rock and Roll**

For cancellation information due to weather call (203) 879-8100 x141 after 3pm on the day of the concert

MAYOR'S CORNER

August 2023

I hope you are all enjoying the summer weather. It is great to see everyone enjoying our summer concerts at Peterson Park, and the Town Green, as well as activities at Woodtick Recreation area and the Mill Pond Way.



Our Summer Concert Series will continue through the end of August. Please visit our website www.wolcottct.org for the Summer Concert Series schedule.

School will be starting at the end of the month; please be aware of the children as they make their way to their bus stops or are walking to school.

Construction on Beach Road is expected to start in early Fall.

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

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Mayor Thomas G. Dunn

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Additional Tick Disease is Increasing in the Northeast



Tick season is here! Along with Lyme Disease there is another tick-borne illness called Babesiosis rearing its ugly head. Symptoms are like that of Lyme disease but can be more severe and last longer.

“Babesiosis is another tick-borne disease that we hear about, in addition to Lyme disease, anaplasmosis and others,” says Dr. Bobbi Pritt, director of the Clinical Parasitology Laboratory at Mayo Clinic. “Babesiosis is a parasitic disease transmitted by ticks. It’s caused primarily by Babesia microti in the U.S., and that’s transmitted by the same tick that transmits Lyme disease”.

Some people with babesiosis experience no symptoms, but the most common symptoms are a combination of:

- severe flulike symptoms such as a high fever (up to 104° F), chills, and sweats, particularly night sweats
- general discomfort or feeling unwell
- intense headache
- muscle and joint pain
- loss of appetite
- nausea
- fatigue.

These symptoms can appear within one to nine weeks, or even several months after a person has been infected.

Dr. Pritt says the best way to avoid getting sick with babesiosis, Lyme disease and other tick-borne infections during tick season is to avoid getting tick bites.

She recommends the ABCs of tick bite prevention:

- “A” stands for avoid. You want to avoid the areas where ticks are found and in the upper Midwest and Northeastern states where babesiosis is found. That means areas in the woods where there’s brush, leaf litter and tall grasses.
- “B” stands for bug spray. Use it when you’re outdoors and you think you’re going to be exposed to tick bites or mosquito bites.
- “C” stands for cover up. Wear protective clothing. If you have clothing over your skin, then the ticks won’t be able to bite your skin.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends using a bug spray that either contains DEET 30% or picaridin. You also could use bug spray that has oil of lemon eucalyptus in it.

For more information, please visit the CD website at https://www.cdc.gov/parasites/babesiosis/gen_info/faqs.html

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If it’s 90 degrees outside, it could reach 138 degrees in your parked car. That’s hotter than any outdoor temperature ever recorded on earth!

Owners often don’t understand what happens to a dog’s body in overheating and heatstroke. If a dog’s internal temperature goes about 105.8 degrees Fahrenheit it is at risk of heatstroke, and death; only 50% survive. <https://phys.org>

What to do if you see a dog locked in a hot car. Take a picture of the dog in the car. Take down the cars make model and license number; then call the local police, and wait by the car for them to arrive. The state of Connecticut has a Good Samaritan Law in place that legally protects someone who has to break a window to save either a child or an animal from a hot car. Under the law, the child or pet has to be medically in distress. For dogs, they show signs like panting or drooling. In kids, they can look sleepy. Aug 3, 2022, www.fox61.com.

— Jean T. Furs

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CASA’s Narcan Training Program

Carrigan, CASA’s Project Director and Dawn, CASA’s Program Coordinator have been busy this summer attending QPR Training of Trainers and Narcan Training of Trainers. They are excited to partner with Wolcott Ambulance and Chesprocott to offer these valuable trainings to the Wolcott community.

CASA’s End of Year celebration was a wonderful opportunity to recognize our community and school partners.


The Appreciation Award was presented to Wolcott Library for their continuous support of CASA. They are always helpful in setting up our coalition meetings, allowing us to hang up fliers for our events, and are always happy to help in collaborating. We are very fortunate to have them as a community partner and are glad they are helping us in our mission of building a healthy Wolcott!

The Making the Difference Award was presented to Shawn Simpson, our superintendent of Wolcott Public Schools. CASA is extremely thankful for Mr. Simpson’s continuous support of CASA’s mission. He aided in many key objectives throughout


the year such as implementing our Youth Survey, discussing results with us, and supporting and aiding us in applying for the STOP Act Grant. Assistant Superintendent, Joe Norcross, accepted the award on behalf of Mr. Simpson.

The Rising Star Youth Award was presented to Charlotte Lynch. She has been a member of the Tyrrell Middle School RTC Group for 2 years and has always been willing to volunteer to help Ms. Bove during club meetings, as well as during the school day. Charlotte exemplifies the characteristics of a leader and a positive role-model for her peers. We are excited to see how Charlotte will continue to benefit CASA in the future!

A special thank you to Senator Rob Sampson and to Kim Wachtelhausen, Outreach Director for Congresswoman Jahana Hayes, for attending our end of year celebration and for presenting awards tonight.

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Big Government Takes Aim at Individual Property Rights



by Rob Sampson
State Senator, 16th District

Lately, Progressives in Connecticut, and across the nation, have taken aim at individual property rights. Of course, they set the stage with popular ideas (but still bad) like going after “rich” property managers from out-of-state. Connecticut Progressives have also shown

an equal disdain for “landlords” in their own state, whom they accuse of profiting from the misery of their tenants.

This is a clever strategy. Who doesn’t feel sympathy for seniors on fixed incomes or wants to feel as if they are helping the poor? Do not be fooled. Progressives are not motivated by helping folks who are struggling. Rather, they hide behind it to further their true intention of minimizing individual freedom in favor of state control.

In this instance, property managers and “landlords” will not be the only individuals in the crosshairs. Soon, Connecticut Democrats will be knocking on all our doors to dictate what we can do with OUR property.

Yes, this is a bold statement. It is also a statement rooted in fact. There have been several bills in the Connecticut legislature in recent years that seek to impose this government force on private property owners. This past year, multiple new restrictions on housing providers (“landlords”) were passed — as well as more, farther-reaching policies like rent control, price caps, preventing reasonable evictions, and creating local bureaucracies designed to interfere in the marketplace called “Fair Rent Commissions.”

Make no mistake. These are terrible and un-American ideas. Worse, they will not help a single person. Perhaps a

few isolated individuals will make out (at someone else’s expense), but any benefit will be short-lived. These changes will soon hurt the market itself and will result in even fewer options for those in need.

One such bill that passed this year was S.B. 988, which aims to fully undermine the property and ownership rights of one singular class of property owner: those who own mobile home parks.

Since the bill received little to no media coverage, here’s the idea: the government is now dictating who a park owner may sell to (even if they already have an agreement with a willing buyer), that they may have to wait up to six months for a matching offer, and even who determines the price of the park in certain situations (someone other than the park’s owner).

The impact of these provisions is more far-reaching than at first glance. Park owners effectively lose their property rights under this new law. When someone else can determine the value of your property and how and when you can dispose of it, is it really yours anymore?

I was shocked to not only see progressive Democrats, but also a few of my Republican colleagues rushing out to support this tragic, divisive, and misguided law.

I was proud to stand in opposition to this harmful measure on the Senate floor for more than two hours, offering multiple amendments as alternative solutions, hoping to preserve the rights of private property owners and protect the interests of unit-owners at the same time. Unfortunately, each of my amendments were rejected along party lines. That the Democrat-majority in Hartford said ‘no’ to these commonsense ideas illustrates how far the legislature has drifted from the values of freedom, personal responsibility, hard work, accountability, equal protection, and justice itself.

It is wholly immoral to use government, and the FORCE of law to deprive someone of the value of property THEY own for your own benefit. This is a key example of what is wrong with government in general. Growing government means increasing the power of politicians to engage in policymaking that results in unequal treatment - for their own political benefit.

How can our American principles be preserved? As I always say, Connecticut residents must get more involved and begin holding their elected officials accountable. Don’t assume how they are voting. You owe it to yourself, and to future generations, to take an interest.

As always, you can reach Senator Rob Sampson at www.senatorsampson.com.

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Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance News



Enjoy your Summer!

Summer is here and we are all trying to stay cool! Have fun relaxing at the beach, just remember to keep reapplying that sunscreen. When you are outside working or hanging out, remember to drink plenty of water. It is easy to get dehydrated even if you do not feel like you are moving around too much. When you are out on the road, watch for runners, bicyclists, and walkers. Remember to teach your children proper water safety as they get ready for the beach and do not forget the helmets when they are out riding their bicycles! We want everyone to enjoy a safe summer!

Ambulance Facility Update

We are currently going through the bid process. Thank you to all our local contractors that have shown interest, walked through the property and submitted a bid! Once the contract has been awarded, you will see a great deal of activity as we renovate and add a new garage to house our equipment!

We will be excited to welcome all of you to our new home later this year, but please remember to use the 48 Todd Road location for all unscheduled or emergent visits until further notice.

Emergency Medical Technician Class

Our spring and summer classes are wrapping up and the students are preparing to advance to the National Registry test!

If you are interested in becoming an Emergency Medical Technician, but missed these two courses, don't worry; our autumn class starts September 6th! This program will run on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6-9 and select Saturdays from 10am-4pm through the end of January.

For more information visit us at www.wolcottambulance.com (EMT courses tab), call us at (203) 879-4122 or email us at training@wolcottambulance.com.

Community Courses

Would you know what to do if someone you know accidentally overdosed on an opiate or opioid? Our first public access Narcan training class will take place August 14th from 6-7:30pm at our new facility at 1300 Woodtick Road. This free class will teach you what to do and give you the tools you need to help someone until we arrive. Visit our website for more information and to sign up for this date.

Would you like to take a CPR course? Our next Heart Saver/First Aid class will be taught on August 1st from 6-8pm and is free for town residents. We are also offering a BLS for Healthcare Providers class on August 15th from 6-9pm. Please contact us for pricing and to sign up for either of these programs.

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BSA Troop 230 celebrated the end of the year with its annual June Court of Honor at the American Legion on June 16. During the beautifully decorated and scout-run ceremony, the boys received new scout ranks and merit badges that were earned. Families enjoyed delicious dinner as they developed friendships and memories.

The Troop also held a Can and Bottle Drive on July 8 at the American Legion. The boys worked diligently to sort heaps of recyclables. A special thank you to those who supported Troop 230. All funds collected will help to defray costs of classes and outings, as well as to help fund community service projects.

Further, scouts are preparing for and eagerly anticipating their summer camp week in late July. Each summer, Troop 230 spends a week at Camp Mattatuck in Plymouth, CT. There, the Troop engages in scout activities of every kind. From boating and swimming to archery and rifle range, the boys are always active. They also partake in things like rope courses, metal work, knot building, cardboard boat races, cooking challenges, bug collecting contests, and more. Scouts also select individual merit badge courses to attend. Some options include Basket Weaving, First Aid, Sustainability, Communications, Astronomy, Robotics, Wood Carving and many more. No scout is ever lonely or bored! The fun is endless.

Finally, the Troop will begin planning for the next scouting year in early August. Some possible activities include white water rafting, monthly campouts, and various service projects.

As always, BSA Troop 230 continues to collect bottles year round. Drop off anytime at 200 Chase River Road in Waterbury. Hours in Waterbury are Wednesdays / Thursdays 1-4PM and Saturdays 11-2PM. Just tell them the returns are for Wolcott Boy Scout Troop 230.





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But if Connecticut's Attorney General William Tong has his way, parents will be kept in the dark about what their children say to educators during the day. Tong is using taxpayer resources in Connecticut to support a Massachusetts school's defense of a lawsuit. Tong recently filed a brief with the U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit in Foote et al. v. Ludlow School Committee et al., arguing in support of Ludlow's practice of only sharing information about a student's transgender or gender identity with the student's parents if the student consents, according to his office. Tong says providing this information to parents would somehow be "dangerous" because it may "out" the student to their parents.

Where is the limit to this? This policy means that if a child as young as 5 or 6 feels one day that he or she is a different gender and tells their teacher, the information would be hidden from parents.

Parents have every right to know what is happening in the lives and education of their children, and educators have an obligation to inform them when a child exhibits

what could be serious life-altering behavioral changes. This is not about transgender students; it is about a clear violation of parental rights.

Why would Connecticut's Attorney General get involved in a lawsuit in another state? To push a progressive ideology that continues to harm our children. There is no reason for his participation on behalf of Connecticut residents, other than carrying out an agenda.

Parents are critical to their child's development. If it were any other mental health or physical issue, the schools would let the parents know, but transgender issues are somehow a big secret. It is irresponsible and reckless of a school not to inform parents of all their needs because it denies parents the ability to provide guidance and get their children help.

This type of policy, pushed by extremist ideologues, is meant to turn children against their parents, and arrogantly sends a message to parents that "we know what is best for your child, not you."

And as you know, I am all for people's individual freedoms and adults can choose to identify however they want. But when it comes to our children, they need a parent's guidance, especially when they are young, and denying that guidance could do irreparable harm to them later in life.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns pertaining to state government. I can be reached by email at Gale.Mastrofrancesco@housegop.ct.gov or by phone at (800) 842-1423. You can also follow my legislative activity by visiting my website at www.repastrofrancesco.com or my Facebook page at www.facebook.com/repcale.



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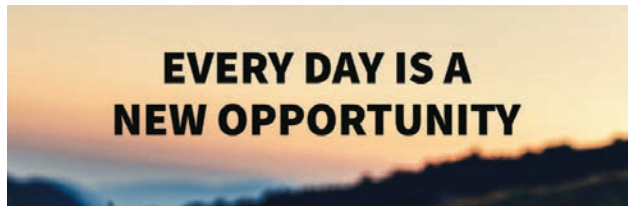
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Friends of the Wolcott Library

August already. You will get a summer feeling if you go into the library reading room and view the season's themed display case prepared by Mary Baker and Margaret Erickson. Congratulations to the following 8th grade graduates from Tyrrell Middle School who received READING AWARDS funded by the Friends: NICOLE STOMSKI, KEVIN BERNINGER, REGAN DARIN, and ALEX WATSON. Each of them received a \$100 gift card to B&N book store. Keep on reading!!

We hope you have been taking advantage of the many special activities and programs offered by the library and supported financially by the Friends. Also don't forget passes available to many area sites. A flyer at the library's circulation desk will give you complete details. We want to call special attention to the recent musical storytelling event we sponsored — JACK AND THE BEANSTALK. This presentation with members of the Waterbury Symphony Orchestra was delightful and appreciated by both children and adults. BRAVO!!

For years the POUCHER family helped us in many ways. Moving out the heavy bulky signs advertising the book sales to their street locations and then returning them back for storage in the library was a huge job, and they did it faithfully. The annual membership mailing was also done by them. Since they have moved out of the area, the Friends--in grateful appreciation — have made a donation of books in their name to the library.

We were saddened by the recent death of two members. Both of these women were avid readers. We wish to thank the Davis Family Fund (Fidelity Charitable) for their donation in memory of GEORGINA WALSH. In order to honor the memory of ANNE HODGES, we ordered children's books about planting. Anne was a lover of gardening and knew a great deal about botanicals. Her yard is a living proof.

We feel she and her family would be happy knowing that children may be inspired by these books.

All the positive things we accomplish are mainly due to the success of our book sales. Although our next sale is not until October 12-14,

we gladly accept books you might want to donate for our sale all year round. It actually makes life easier for us. Just ensure that they are in good shape. Please bring them in weekdays and only when the library is open. DO NOT EVER LEAVE THEM OUTSIDE. If you have lots of them, call the library to make arrangements for you to get assistance from staff.

Enjoy the rest of your summer, and please consider your support of the Friends' Annual membership appeal which is pending. The more support we get FROM the public, the more support we can give TO the public.



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The Little Mermaid made a splash at Wolcott Public Library's Summer Reading kickoff!



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Junior Women's Club News



Welcome to August! The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott would like to remind everyone to support the volunteer organizations in town. Similar to the Junior Women's Club the purpose of the volunteer organizations is to support numerous community projects and groups such as scholarships, the food pantry, Crossroads our First Responders and many more. We are fortunate to live in this volunteer centered community.

We are in search of our 2023 Little Miss and Mr. Wolcott. Voting will take place at the Lion's Club Fair September 22nd through the 24th at the Junior Women's Club of Wolcott booth.

Voting is tabulated by an independent auditor. Each .25 cents count as one vote. Votes will be accepted at the fair in covered containers marked with the child's number that is on his/her picture. The boy and girl with the most votes will be declared the winners. During the months to come our Little Miss and Mr. Wolcott are our official ambassadors. Highlights of their year consist of attending the Miss Wolcott Scholarship program, lighting the Christmas tree on the town green, marching in the BAW parade, assisting the Easter Bunny at the town's easter egg hunt and other functions throughout the town's calendar.

The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott would like to thank everyone who contributed towards the success of our "20th" Annual Golf Tournament which was held on Sunday, June 11, 2023 at Farmingbury Hills Golf Course.

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With the generous support of our families, friends, area businesses and organizations the money we raised during this event will be used in the Wolcott community to enrich the lives of children and families served by the Junior Women's Club of Wolcott.

We sponsor: The Annual Tree Lighting on the Green, Toys for Tots & Teens, Little Miss & Mr. Wolcott Contest, Town Fuel Assistance Fund, Red Cross Blood Drive, Scholarships, Veterans Day Ceremony, Meet the Candidates, Wolcott Ambulance, Wolcott Food Bank and Women's Shelter to name a few.

We are busy working on coordinating our "Meet the Candidates" event scheduled for October. We will be contacting our dedicated citizens who are seeking office to participate in this event. More details will be forthcoming on these two events. We are excited to continue to support our upcoming programs, including Toys for Tots & Teens as well as our Fuel Fund for Wolcott residents. So please look for upcoming information in the Wolcott Community News for these programs.

The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott meets the 1st Wednesday of every month from September through June. Our meetings are open to all women over the age of 18, who are interested in doing volunteer work in our community. Please check out our website www.juniorwomensclubofwolcott.org for more information or email us at wolcottjuniors@gmail.com.

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Wolcott Grange #173

by Karen Mowad



This summer is flying by so quickly. Our apple trees are producing, our shed is filling with donations, and our long-term renters have been such a wonderful, welcome addition to our family.

The Wolcott Grange has a long, rich history in Wolcott, but how much do you really know about our little organization?

"The Wolcott Grange was originally formed March 17, 1909. The Grange Hall was built in the 1920s as part of the Wolcott Green Historic District. Through the years the group presented floats in local parades, hosted pancake breakfasts, supported its agricultural roots, presented dictionaries to local school children, and was well-known for their delicious Dairy Dinners. The organization grew quickly, at one time having more than 200 members. But time took its toll, and despite all of the Grange's community-service work, members were growing older and tiring.

Monday, February 13, 2012 is a date that will go down in history for Wolcott Grange. It's the date that began a new chapter in the community as the family-oriented group reorganized. It's the date that the Connecticut State Grange reinstated their Charter."

Since then, we have worked hard to rebrand what people think about this amazing group. We are well known throughout Connecticut for our innovative fundraising ideas, unique gatherings, and out of the box thinking. We are proud of the work we do throughout the community and our never ending quest to keep our Grange active for future generations. If you would like to hear more or would like to donate please drop us a line at Wolcott Grange 313 Boundline Road Wolcott CT 06716.

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All the events listed are for everyone to participate in. See our church website for free entry forms and applications www.wolcottcongregationalchurch.org, 250 Anniversary Tab.

Friday, September 8 - Art Show displaying art from local talent of all ages- Free Entry Awards to Best in categories, Historical talks about the founding of our beautiful town of Wolcott.

Saturday, September 9- Opening Ceremony on the Green, with vendor fair, food trucks, live historical reenactment with the Living Historians, Talent Show, Robotics Demonstration, and so much more.

Sunday, September 10- Special worship service, Non profit and Community agency tables on the Green, Girl Scout Bridging and Activities, Church Banquet with tickets available to the community, magic show, & so much more.

Townwide events include historical tours, select goods at local retailers, and events at community partner locations. A list of planned events can be found on our website.

Kick off of our month long celebration with a Pizza Concorrenzia. Pick the Best Pizza of Wolcott on August 9, 2023 in the church hall from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Everyone is welcome.

All businesses and agencies in town are encouraged to participate, call the church office to learn how you can be highlighted in our upcoming events, Phone 203-879-1293. Event sponsorships are available.

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Wolcott High School NEWS



WHS Student Panel at Tyrrell Middle School



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Congratulations National Honor Society Inductees!

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- Bengston, Emma
- Capaldo, Gianna
- Charette, Jared
- Ciampi, Ava
- DeLeo, Sophia
- Emanuel, Angelina
- Evans, Katherine
- Gaudiosi, Aubrey
- Goldstone, Ella
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Picnic Tables constructed for the Wolcott Landowners Association by the Construction classes of Wolcott High School

Rho Kappa National Social Studies Honor Society Trivia Night

Rho Kappa National Social Studies Honor Society hosted their second annual trivia night. Congratulations to Gloria Japs, Avery Giglio, Ava Ciampi, Gia Shoban, and Nevaeh Hernandez for winning!



Congratulations to Gloria Japs, Avery Giglio, Ava Ciampi, Gia Shoban, and Nevaeh Hernandez for winning!

Wolcott Historical Society - August 2023



by Florence Goodman

The Wolcott Historical Society's Annual Garden Tour was a huge success thanks to everyone who supported it!! The funds raised from this event are used for our yearly scholarship which is given to a graduating senior

from Wolcott High School so we are always pleased when we are able to reach our goal and then some. THANK YOU again to everyone and especially our gardeners for making this happen.

This month's article is going to be a bit different from my usual, but I think you will enjoy it. Often, we receive questions from people all over the country who are doing research on family history or artifacts that might have been from our town and we try to respond to help them out if



Old hammer made in Wethersfield, CT

possible. Last month a man from California emailed me about an antique hammer that had the words "Bailey & Wolcott" and "cast steel" on it. He was wondering if there might have been someone by the name of Bailey in Wolcott that had a forge and was a blacksmith. I knew we had the



Full view of the hammer.

David Bailey House circa 1844 on the Town Green and thought at one time there was a blacksmith shop there so I contacted the owner, John Olsen. I asked him if he might help me out and sure enough, he agreed that there was a blacksmith shop on that property at one time.

I was very excited to have solved that problem until I sent pictures of the hammer and the information to the members of the Society and our webmaster and former president, Stan Horzepa responded with information that changed my mind. When Stan saw the ampersand, which is a sign for the word "and" between the words Bailey and Wolcott he said that symbol indicates that it was the name of a company. So, he googled the name and found out that "Bailey & Wolcott" was located in the Griswoldville section of



Old mixer used from 1950-2020 donated by Deb DuBois

Wethersfield. There was even an article on the Wethersfield Historical Society's website that included information about the company. Here is an excerpt from that article on their website: "In 1827 Albro Griswold and his brother-in-law Elisha Wolcott formed a company to manufacture woolen goods. They were able to

raise only enough money to build the first story of their building, further upstream from Jacob Griswold's mill. Unfortunately, their company failed. Arnold Bailey utilized the building making hand forged hammers and axes, under the watchful eye of blacksmith Albro Griswold. Arnold Bailey and Oliver Wolcott formed the "Bailey and Wolcott Co." and utilized the Old Fulling Mill, which they bought from Jacob Griswold in 1840." So, thanks to Stan Horzepa we were able to solve the mystery of the hammer and even though there was a Bailey living in our town, he did not make the



Old wood/steel milk crate donated by Fran Masi



Cake/bread storage container donated by Bonny Hartigan

hammer that the man from California was asking about. It's always fun to research these questions and even better when someone can dig a bit deeper and find the correct answer! Thanks, Stan, mystery solved.

Another interesting part of overseeing the Historical Society and our two museums is the artifacts and furniture that have been donated to us over the last fifty plus years. We have been so very fortunate to have acquired articles that depict so much of Wolcott's past and then to have two buildings in which to display them.

Last month we had several people donate things to the Society. Deb DuBois, museum curator and active member of the Society donated a beautiful dropleaf table, an oak dresser and an old electric mixer that was used by her mom and



Egg scale donated by Bonny Hartigan

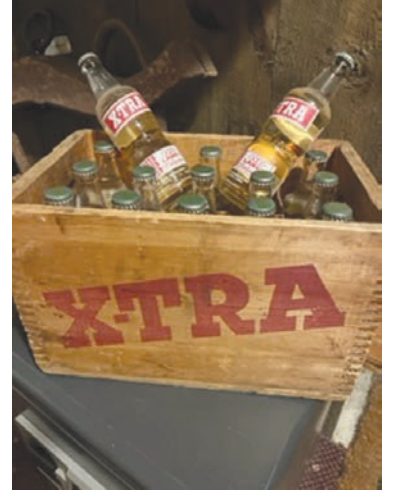
herself from 1950 to 2020. Fran Masi, a former teacher in town donated a wooden/steel twelve-bottle milk crate from



Wooden funnel donated by Bonny Hartigan

Peterson's Dairy. Tom Brundage donated a full case of X-TRA cola soda. Lastly, another member and former teacher, Bonny Hartigan donated several interesting artifacts: an old egg scale, a wooden butter form, an old bread/cake storage container, a wooden

grain funnel, books, and several other interesting items. I will share photos and descriptions of a few in these articles with you.



X-TRA cola wooden case and full bottles donated by Tom Brundage

Thank you to everyone who loves local history and has graciously donated and shared information and articles with the Wolcott Historical Society. Please remember that you can visit our museums by appointment by calling me at 203-879-9818.

Our website is filled with interesting information about the Society and Wolcott history. You can read all our articles that have been published in the Wolcott News and you can also download a membership application there. We are always looking for old photos, milk bottles, postcards, and artifacts relating to Wolcott. Please contact Flo Goodman at 203-879-9818.



Wolcott Robotics Sponsor Appreciation Day

This past Saturday, July 15th, the Wolcott Robotics Foundation hosted its first annual Sponsor Appreciation Day. The Wolcott Robotics Program consists of PreK-12 robotics teams that give local students a hands-on experience with science and technology and the skills to thrive in the 21st century. We would like to thank all of our sponsors who provide the means to make these incredible programs possible!

At the event, we had stations for sponsors to learn more about our different teams. Students of all ages showed them what they worked on throughout the season, and what they learned through our programs. Students showcased their CAD and 3D printing skills, presented the community service the Wolcott High School Robotics Team does around town, and showed them this past year's high school, middle school, and elementary school robots. Because of the immense support of our community, going into the next school, year Wolcott will have 16 robotics teams with over 100 students participating.

We want to thank all of the sponsors and supporters who make this experience possible for our students. Thank you!





Charles Rietdyke (Wolcott) Senior Center

211 Nichols Road, Wolcott, CT 06716 | 203 879-8133 | FAX 203 879-7605

Come & Join Our Senior Center — FREE Join in the daily activities and bus trips

You DO NOT need to be a Wolcott resident to become a member — EVERYONE welcome

Everyone MUST fill out an emergency contact form—Please update any changes on the form

***We are on the website: www.wolcottct.org under “senior center”

Mon-Thurs 8:30 AM-3:30 PM Fri-8:30 AM-12:00 PM



Donna Belval

Senior Center Director

Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation

NEW 11:00 Free Chair Yoga

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

NEW 11:00-12:00 Free Chair Yoga (Summer Hours)

NEW 1:00 PO-KE-NO — 20 games at .25/game — Total \$5.00 (Nickels)

Wednesday

9:00-9:45 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

12:30-3:00 Setback Card Games

12:30-3:00 Pinochle

Friday

8:15-9:00 Free-“Cardio, Strength & Balance”—includes Weight Strengthening Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief Exercises w/ Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation—NEW DAY & TIME

10:00-11:30 Knitting/Crocheting

Monday - Friday

9:00-11:00 Setback Card Games

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, August 2

10:00 Presentation on “Fraud & Elder Abuse” presented by Thomaston Bank, Open to the Public — Sign up at the senior center

11:30 Lunch Special — Grilled Steak w/ Peppers & Onions & cheese on a Sub Roll, Chips & Dessert — \$5.00pp — Sign up by Mon. July 31

Thursday, August 3

10:00 Bus leaves for Bantam Bread Company (Bakery)—Lunch at Patty’s Restaurant & Ice Cream at Arethusa — Litchfield Distillery for a Tour & Tastings, Sign up for the bus

Friday, August 4

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Belgium Waffles w/ Bacon — \$3.00pp — Sign up by Wed. Aug 2

Monday

9:00-9:30 Free - “Pound Class” using weighted Drum Sticks w/ Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation — **NEW DAY & TIME**

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

5:00 Bus leaves for New Britain Bees Baseball Game-- \$6.00 pp—Pay by Tues. Aug 1, Sign up for the bus

Tuesday, August 8

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at The Great Taste of China—Sign up for the bus

Wednesday, August 9

11:30 FUND RAISER WOLCOTT FOOD PANTRY -- Meatloaf w/ Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Fresh Vegetable, & Brownie Sundae--\$8.00 pp Pay by Mon. Aug 7

Thursday, August 10

8:30 Bus leaves for Thimble Islands Boat Tour — \$15.00 pp — Pay by Mon. Aug 7

Lunch to follow—Sign up for trip

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Ham, Egg & Cheese on a Toasted Roll, \$3.00pp — Sign up by Tues. Aug 8

11:00 Presentation on Planning for Future Care Needs and Asset Protection (Trusts, Wills, Living Wills, Power of Attorney) and how this affects you and your family.

*Learn about the documents you will need if you or a family member gets sick, and what exactly they are. (Ex Living Trust)

*Find out why these documents are so important

*Learn about Medicaid coverage & eligibility

*See what happens to assets if you need care, and how you can plan ahead to protect them

*Have a Go-To kit for easy access in case of emergency

Open to the Public — Sign up at the senior center

11:30 Crafty Corner w/ Jeannie — Learn the art of Decoupage! The class will decoupage Sea Shell/Clam Shells, Tissue boxes & Mason Jars w/ Beach Themes — \$10:00 pp

Friday, August 11

8:00 Bus leaves for Foxwoods Casino—departs casino 4:00 PM—Sign up for bus

Tuesday, August 15

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at AJ’s Steak House — Visit to Hawk Ridge Winery, Sign up for the bus

Wednesday, August 16

11:30 Lunch Special—Home-Made Meatball Sub w/ Mozzarella Cheese, Chips & Dessert, \$4.00 pp — Pay by Mon. Aug 14

Thursday, August 17

8:30 Bus leaves for Mystic Aquarium or Mystic Village for shopping, Sign up for the bus

Friday, August 18

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Blueberry Pancakes w/ Bacon — \$3.00 pp, Sign up by Wed. Aug 16

Tuesday, August 22

10:00 Bus leaves for lunch at Abbott’s Lobster in the Rough or Costello’s Clam Shack, Sign up for the bus

11:30-3:00 Reflexology w/ Kim—Enjoy 20 minutes of relaxation — \$25.00, Sign up at the senior center

Wednesday, August 23

11:30 Lunch special—Italian Combo w/ Lettuce on a Roll, Chips & Dessert, \$4.00 pp—Pay by Mon. Aug 21

Thursday, August 24

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Bacon, Egg & cheese on a Toasted Roll — \$3.00 pp, Sign up by Tues. Aug. 22

11:00 Bus leaves for “Lights & Sights” Light House Cruise — \$33.00 pp, Sign up & Pay by Mon. Aug 21

Tuesday, Aug 29

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — French Toast w/ Bacon — \$3.00 pp, Sign up by Mon. Aug 28

9:45 Bus leaves for shopping at Clinton Crossings — Lunch to follow at Bill’s Seafood, Sign up at the senior center

Wednesday, August 30

10:00-12:00 Noon — Farmer’s Market sponsored by Brass City Harvest. Trucks will be parked & set-up in the Woodtick Recreation Parking lot for anyone who would like to purchase fresh vegetables, fruits & honey. They accept cash, credit, debit, SNAP, WIC, and Senior Farmers Market cards. You can also order online at www.brasscityharvestwaterbury.com for pick-up or delivery. Brass City Harvest will be at the Waterbury Senior Center parking lot beginning July 11 from 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM and every Tuesday until the end of November.

11:30 Lunch special—Chicken Breast Parmesan w/ Mozz Cheese on a Sub Roll, Chips & Dessert — \$5.00 pp — Pay by Mon. Aug 28

Thursday, August 31

8:00 Bus leaves for Port Jeff Ferry to Long Island — \$20.00 pp — Pay by Thurs. Aug 24

PARKING POLICY: PARKING AT THE SENIOR CENTER IS FOR SENIOR CENTER PARTICIPANTS ONLY. IF YOU ARE WALKING THE TRAIL, PLEASE USE WOODTICK RECREATION PARKING LOT AS WE HAVE LIMITED PARKING SPACES FOR OUR SENIORS. A SPACE THAT YOU TAKE IS ONE LESS SPACE FOR OUR SENIORS. THE GATE WILL REMAIN LOCKED BY THE SENIOR CENTER. PUBLIC PARKING IS ALLOWED AT THE SENIOR CENTER AFTER 3:30 PM ONLY.



Our crafty seniors learned to make a cute little girl door hanging for this month craft class.



“Thank You” to the great staff at the Wolcott Senior Center. As a result of a partnership between the Senior Center Director, Donna Belval and our Food Pantry President Connie Gleiford, the Center has been running luncheon specials with the proceeds from these events being donated to the pantry. Thank you Donna, Connie, staff of the Senior Center and most important of all, the folks that come and enjoy a good meal for a good cause.



2023 WOLCOTT LIONS COUNTRY FAIR



September 22, 23 & 24, 2023

245 Wolcott Road

ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITS & INFO

The Wolcott Lions invite everyone to enter your hobby, craft or collection in our arts and craft exhibit this year. We especially encourage children to participate. There is a special Class 'A' for "Children Only". There are also hundreds of categories and something for everyone. Please check out our website: <http://wolcottfair.com/exhibitors/>

HOW IT WORKS: All entries must be submitted on Thursday September 21, 2023 from 10:00AM to 7:00PM. You can enter the fairgrounds through the Sunrise Road entrance. Drive up the road and you will come to the main gate. Judging will be done Friday morning before the fair opens. All exhibits can be picked up on Monday September 26, 2023 between 10:00AM and 7:00PM. Make sure you have your claim tickets. Arts & Crafts info can be found on our website. Just click on the Premium book icon. Our "Red Barn" was built for the arts & crafts exhibits and displays.

DON'T FORGET OUR BAKING CONTESTS

We have State baking and King Arthur Flour baking contests for adults and juniors. Please follow all rules and baking directions. See Premium Book for judging criteria.

2023 State Adult Baking Contest
PaneBianco

2023 State Junior Baking Contest
Blueberry Buckle

2023 King Arthur Adult / Junior baking:
Blueberry Breakfast Cake

www.ctagfairs.org/p/news-and-resources/contests/bakingcontests

HUNDREDS OF PRIZES IN ALL CATEGORIES

- State Quilt contest info is also in the book. We have increased the premiums for the Wolcott Fair State Quilt entries to 1st - \$40.00, 2nd - \$30.00 and 3rd - \$20.00.
- Class B - Scarecrow Contest - Age divisions will be Adults, juniors & children. Get creative! Maximum size is Six (6) feet tall and must be able to stand alone. See premium book for more info.
- Class B - Vegetable Heads: They must be made from vegetables, fruits, or anything edible.

COME VISIT OUR FAIRGROUNDS YOU WILL FIND IT A UNIQUE FUN FILLED EXPERIENCE.

If you need more info feel free to contact us thru our website or:

Tony Marino- Arts & Crafts Chairman anthonyjmarino@att.net | Peter Merza - Arts & Crafts Chairman – peterm466@gmail.com

The printed version of the Premium Book will be on our website. <http://wolcottfair.com/exhibitors/>

Wolcott Food Pantry

Distribution Date Reminders

- Aug 2nd (Wed) Distribution Day 8:30AM to 11:45AM
- Aug 16th (Wed) Distribution Day 8:30AM to 11:45AM
- Aug 30th (Wed) Distribution Day 8:30AM to 11:45AM

A Special 'Thank You'

The volunteers at the Wolcott Food Pantry would like to thank Donna Belval and the staff at the Charles Rietdyke Wolcott Senior Center for partnering with us to sponsor a monthly luncheon fundraiser on our behalf. We feel it is a benefit to both organizations. Thank you to our President Connie Gleiford for working with Donna and making this fundraiser a reality.

"Congratulations to our newly elected Administrative Team". We held our bi-annual election of officers and we are happy to announce the results:

President: Connie Gleiford, Vice President: Jackie Bracco, Treasurer: Ellen Brotherton, Secretary: Joanne Ciriello, Office Manager: Nicki Addressio, Communications Coord: Tony Rinaldi, Transportation Coord: Jim Rapisarda

About Us

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 operate as a drive-through service with pre-packed bags of food placed in the client's vehicle.

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!

Help us out: Please check the dates on any food donations & eliminate the expired ones.

Local organizations (Pat's, Walsh's, Post Office, Wolcott Library, and Stop & Shop of Wtby) 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.

Thinking Ahead

We begin to prepare for some of our larger distributions early in the year. We are looking to collect some specific food items for our Thanksgiving distribution (Monday Nov 20th, 2023). If you are interested in making a donation we could use the following to help us build 'Thanksgiving' bags:

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|-----------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Cranberry Sauce | Stuffing | Turkey Gravy |
| Pie Filling | Cake Mix | Mashed Potatoes |
| Turkey Broth | Frosting | Canned Fruit |
| Chicken Broth | Pie Crust Mix | |

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



"Thank You" Steve Lamphere (a Pantry volunteer), family and friends. At one of his son's swim meets the students athletes brought food and drink to share with them. There was more than the athletes could consume so with the help of the athletes and families, they gathered up the unused food and brought it back to our location for distribution to our clients.



Brayden is a young Wolcott resident who celebrated his birthday with friends and family. He asked guests to bring a food donation that he would deliver to us to distribute to our clients. They collected 70 lbs of food! Thank you for thinking of others Brayden!



"Thank You" to the students, parents, and administrators of Tyrrell Middle School. They held a 'Cereal Box' domino event with 100's of cereal boxes. They host the event every 3 years so all the students will experience the event once in their 3 year tenure at the school. The best part is they donate all the cereal to us after the event and we are very grateful.

WOLCOTT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Wolcott Latchkey Program 2023-2024



Thank you to all the Wolcott Elementary School families that signed up for the Wolcott Latchkey Program.

During the Wolcott Latchkey Program school year, Frisbie, Alcott and Wakelee Supervisors and contact information is:

This is only during Latchkey hours, Thank you

Alcott: Ms. LeAnn Beland

Email: lbeland@wolcottps.org Phone: 203-879-8417

Wakelee: Ms. Robin Japs

Email: rjaps@wolcottps.org Phone: 203-879-8026

Frisbie: Ms. Lisa Calabretta

Email: lcalabretta@wolcottps.org Phone: 203-879-8025

Tracey Fitzmorris, Wolcott Latchkey Director:

Email: tfitzmorris@wolcottps.org

This is only during Latchkey hours, Thank you!

Kindergarten Pre-Registration for 2023-2024

If you have a child who will be Five (5) years old on or before January 1, 2024, please visit the District website to pre-register your child for the next school year. Once this is completed you will receive additional information on kindergarten screening and access to the PowerSchool Parent Portal. Questions can be directed to Meagan Angelone at mangelone@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.

School Lunch Prices 2023-2024

Welcome back to the 2023-2024 school year! This year, breakfast and lunch will go back to pricing based on eligibility of free, reduced, and paid.

We strongly encourage you to fill out the 2023-2024 Free and Reduced Application. Both the paper application and the online application is available on the Wolcott Public Schools website, under Departments – Food Services. The Free and Reduced Application, if qualified, signifies more than just free and reduced priced meals. It qualifies households for fee waivers for college applications, discount fees for standardized testing, and possible utility bill discounts.

Some children may be directly certified for free or reduced-price meals based on Medicaid (HUSKY). No application is required if the district directly certifies a child based on Medicaid (HUSKY). All children in these households are eligible for free or reduced-priced meal benefits.

If you have any questions about the application process or if you are eligible, please contact Nicole Lefebvre, Food Service Director at 203-879-8145 or nlefebvre@wolcottps.org.

A Rewarding Career Awaits You

Driving a school bus is a rewarding job for anyone who loves children. Parents can bring their children on the bus with them to save on daycare expense while enjoying school holidays and vacations off with their children. It is a great job for retirees and anyone who likes to drive. Paid training classes are starting now! 25 to 35 hours per week once you are licensed. No experience is necessary. Clean driving record required. Paid holidays, dental, life insurance and 401K available.

Please apply in person to get more information on this part time job and to be accepted into our professional driver training classes.

Wolcott Terminal, 515 Wolcott Road, 203-879-1334



An Exciting Career is waiting for you at the Wolcott Public Schools

WE ARE HIRING

- Teachers
- School Nurses
- Paraprofessionals
- Custodians
- Food Service
- Latchkey
- Coaches
- Long-Term Substitute Teacher
- Long-Term Substitute Nurse
- Substitute Teacher
- Substitute Paraprofessional
- Substitute Nurse
- Substitute Secretary
- Substitute Food Service Worker
- Substitute Maintenance Worker
- Substitute 2nd Shift Custodian



Please Apply At:
wolcottps.org/apps/jobs/

Wolcott Board of Education 2023-2024 Meeting Schedule

All 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 posted online before the meeting.

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

	FIRST	SECOND
AUGUST	14 (Mon-BOE Offices)	28 (Mon-BOE Offices)
SEPTEMBER	11 (Monday)	25 (Monday)
OCTOBER	16 (Monday)	30 (Monday)
NOVEMBER	13 (Monday)	27 (Monday)
DECEMBER	11 (Monday)	
JANUARY	08 (Monday)	
FEBRUARY	05 (Monday)	
MARCH	04 (Monday)	18 (Monday)
APRIL	08 (Monday)	22 (Monday)
MAY	06 (Monday)	20 (Monday)
JUNE	03 (Monday)	17 (Monday)

Wolcott Public Schools Directors 2022-2023

Central Office – 203 879-8183

- ♦ Superintendent of Schools:
Mr. Shawn Simpson –203 879-8183
- ♦ Business Manager:
Mr. Todd Bendtsen – 203 879-8180
- ♦ Assistant Superintendent:
Mr. Joseph Norcross – 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
Facilities Director: Ms. Jessica Abbott

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. Daniel Caetano
- ♦ Assistant Principal: Mrs. Michelle Thies

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

- ♦ Director: Mr. Tyler Meccariello

District Compliance Officers

- a) **Title VI (race, color, national origin)** - Mr. Matthew Calabrese, Alcott Elementary School Principal –203 879-8160
- 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. Daniel Caetano, Principal of Tyrrell Middle School –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 2023-2024 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



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Lower Left to Right: Mr. Anthony Gugliotti; Mr. Chris Gaffney; Vice-Chairman Mrs. Kelly Mazza; Mrs. Kathleen Cordone; Mrs. Nikoleta Kollchaku; Mrs. Melissa Hughes (not shown)

Wolcott Public Schools – School Calendar 2023-2024

July				
M	T	W	TH	F
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17	18	19	20	21
24	25	26	27	28

August (4/1)				
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28	29	30	31	

September (20/20)				
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18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

October (21/21)				
M	T	W	TH	F
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16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

November (18/18)				
M	T	W	TH	F
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20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

December (16/16)				
M	T	W	TH	F
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25	26	27	28	29

January (21/21)				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
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15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

February (19/18)				
M	T	W	TH	F
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19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	

March (20/19)				
M	T	W	TH	F
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25	26	27	28	29

April (17/17)				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
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15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30			

May (22/22)				
M	T	W	TH	F
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13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

June (8/8)				
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

Date/Event or Holiday	
August 28, 2023	Convocation
August 29, 2023	PD Day
August 30, 2023	PD Day
August 31, 2023	First Day for Students
September 4, 2023	Labor Day
October 9, 2023	Columbus Day
November 7, 2023	Election Day
November 10, 2023	Veterans Day - Observed
November 22-24, 2023	Thanksgiving (half day 22rd)
Dec 22, 2023 - Jan. 1, 2024	Holiday Recess (half day 22nd)
January 15, 2024	Martin Luther King Day
February 16, 2024	PD Day - No School
February 19-20, 2024	February Recess
March 28, 2024	PD Day - No School
March 29, 2024	Good Friday
April 15 - 19, 2024	Spring Recess
May 27, 2024	Memorial Day
June 12, 2024	Last Day (tentative half day 11th and 12th)
# of Student and Staff Days	Staff Student
August	4 1
September	20 20
October	21 21
November	18 18
December	16 16
January	21 21
February	19 18
March	20 19
April	17 17
May	22 22
June	8 8
Total Days	186 181

*August 31st, September 1st and 5th 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 twelve (12) days will be cancellations and these days will be made up at the end of the school year. After twelve (12) cancellations, additional days will be taken from April vacation beginning with April 19, 2024 and moving backward from there.

**WOLCOTT
ADULT
EDUCATION**
Fall 2023

**MOST CLASSES HELD
AT WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL
457 BOUNDLINE ROAD**

**BOOT CAMP BEING HELD AT
WAKELEE SCHOOL, 12 HEMPLE DRIVE**

**REGISTRATION BY MAIL
OR EMAIL RECOMMENDED**

**CLASSES BEGINNING
SEPTEMBER 11th**

BOOT CAMP

This fat blasting class will increase muscular strength and cardiovascular endurance. No fancy choreography to follow; just moves designed to challenge you, make you sweat, and burn body fat. No two classes will be the same! This is a class for all levels of fitness with modifiers and advancements as needed. **Please bring a mat and a pair of 5 lb. weights to each class.**

Instructor: Laura Bruno
Mon & Wed 6:00-7:00; Wakelee School Gym
Registration Fee: \$100
Begins September 11th for 20 sessions
September 11th - November 22nd: (No class on September 13th and October 9th)

ZUMBA

Ditch the workout and dance your worries away while burning tons of calories with ZUMBA! Zumba is a Fusion of Latin and International music and dance themes. It is a mixture of body sculpting movements combined with easy to follow dance steps. Come join this “feel happy” workout! Join the fun and burn off those calories.

Instructor: Emperatriz Ochoa
Tue & Thurs 6:30-7:30; Cafe East
Registration Fee: \$100
Begins September 12th for 20 sessions
September 12th - December 7th: (No classes on September 21 & 28th, October 19th, November 2nd and 7th)

YOGA

A unique way to integrate mind, body, and spirit, without force or competitiveness. This class will guide all levels of students through a flowing asana practice that includes Sun Salutations, and a wide range of standing and seated poses. Your yoga class may incorporate a variety of yoga styles and practices including (but not limited to) Vinyasa and Hatha. Attention is given to breath and proper alignment to promote a healthier lifestyle, relieve stress and increase strength and flexibility. **PLEASE BRING A MAT TO CLASS.**

Instructors: Joanne Riback & Lisa Belfiore Davis
Tues. & Wed.. 6:45 – 7:45; Resource Room
Registration Fee: \$100
Begins September 12th for 20 sessions
September 12th - December 7th: (No classes on September 21 & 28th, October 19th November 2nd and 7th)

A JOURNEY OF SELF

Together we will discover, explore and embrace who you truly are. I will guide you in opening your mind and heart to loving what is. You will discover and see how truly simple life is when we get out of the way. This is a space of acceptance and love.

Instructor: Stacey Altamari
Registration Fee: \$45
Wednesdays, 6:00PM -7:00PM, B121
September 13th through October 4th – four sessions

MEDICARE 101

Are you currently enrolled in Medicare? Will you be turning 65 over the next year or two? Learn about eligibility, how and when to enroll, when you can make changes, and the insurance options available to you. Explore and evaluate Original Medicare, Medicare Supplement Insurance, Prescription Drug Plans and

Medicare Advantage Plans. This program will simplify the choices you need to make, help you make more well-informed decisions and explain what Medicare means for you!

Instructor: Jim Farnham

Free program

Choose from any dates below:

- Monday, October 2nd, 6:00 to 8:00PM
- Saturday, October 7th, 10:00AM – NOON
- Thursday, October 12th, 6:00PM – 8:00PM
- Monday, October 23rd, 6:00PM – 8:00PM
- Saturday, October 28th, 10:00AM – NOON
- Thursday, November 2nd, 6:00PM – 8:00PM
- Monday, November 13th, 6:00PM – 8:00PM
- Saturday, November 18th, 10:00AM – NOON
- Wednesday, November 29th, 6:00PM – 8:00PM

Participants will need a computer to participate in this ZOOM class. A meeting link will be sent to your email prior to class date. When you receive the link, you must click on it to register for the program.

New Program: **HOW MONEY WORKS**

This webinar is for anyone who wants to learn more about personal finance. Whether you’re just starting out or looking to improve your financial skills, this program will provide you with

the information you need to make sound financial decisions. You will learn about:

- How to save money for short-term and long-term goals
- How to invest your money wisely and avoid the high cost of waiting
- Identify and outline the three “Ds” of investing
- Uncover and illustrate the Rule of 72
- Paying off debt
- Discover the power of tax-deferred saving
- Make it clear why you need a financial plan and know your financial independence number
- You will have the opportunity to ask questions and get answers from a financial expert.

Free program

Choose from any dates below:

- Wednesday, September 20, 2023, 7:00PM to 8:15PM
- Saturday, September 23, 2023: 10:30AM to 11:45AM
- Monday, November 6, 2023, 7:00PM to 8:15PM
- Wednesday, December 13, 2023, 7:00PM to 8:15PM
- Saturday, December 16, 2023, 10:30AM to 11:45AM

Participants will need a computer to participate in this ZOOM class. A meeting link will be sent to your email prior to class date. When you receive the link, you must click on it to register for the program.

REGISTRATION FORM

Fall 2023

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3. _____		
4. _____		

TOTAL: _____

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Wakelee School, 12 Hempel Drive, Wolcott, CT 06716

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dcalabro@wolcottps.org or call **203-206-2120**

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Part-Time Delivery/Prep Person.. Must be over 18 yrs of age. Apply in-person at Five Guys Flippin Pies, 690 Wolcott Rd, Wolcott. 203-879-5489

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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Stump Grinding: Removal of unwanted stumps. Call Mark at Eagle Stump Grinding, 203-879-2367 or 203-704-0821.

Travel

Scully Travel: Call us for all your travel needs at 203-879-2593.

Wanted

Motorcycles/Dirt Bikes/Vintage Mini Bikes - All makes and models. Any condition. CASH PAID. Same day pick up. 203-228-9775



Adult Events for August

Jewelry Workshop: Thursday, August 3rd at 5:30PM Vanessa Fasanella will offer a hands-on jewelry making program for ages 18 and up. You will learn all you need to know to bring your ideas to life. Participants will create a bracelet and earring set to take home.

Wolcott Public Library Book Club: Wednesday, August 16th at 6:00PM. The WPL Book Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the upstairs reading room. The pick for August is Book Lovers by Emily Henry, a story about two rivals, a literary agent and an editor, and a plot twist neither one sees coming. Multiple copies of the book are available for check-out at the library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Earthmind Journaling: Wednesday, August 23rd at 5:30PM. Join us for a workshop with Nancy DiNicola. Each participant will make a simple journal where you will connect with nature mindfully through creative writing. This workshop is appropriate for all skill levels.

Movie Matinee: August 25th at 1:00PM. On the last Friday of each month a newly released movie will be shown in the upstairs reading room. Snacks are permitted for you to enjoy during the movie. The August movie will be Book Club: The Next Chapter.

Tai Chi: Thursday, August 31st at 6:00PM. Tai Chi is one of the most practiced health nourishing arts worldwide. It is promoted as a form of healthy exercise and health enhancement. Join Sifu Mike Fuchs to learn more about this incredible art and healthy exercise style and some Tai Chi sequences.

Good Yarn Club: Wednesdays at 10:00AM. Join our growing group of knitters and crocheters on Wednesday mornings in the upstairs reading room. All ages and all levels of expertise welcome.

Takeaway Craft For ages 16 and Up: August 9th - August 16th. Every month a craft is offered that is to be completed at home. Craft for August will be DIY honeycomb photo/note/other wall hanging decoration. Registration required so that we may have enough kits available.

Summer Reading Program for Adults: July 3rd - August 11th Join the fun! Register to be a participant in this program. Read or listen to the library books of your choice at your own pace. Complete as many Bingo sheets as you like and be eligible for prizes at the end of the program. Call the library for more information.

CASA awarded the Wolcott Public Library the Appreciation Award at their annual dinner on June 20th in deep gratitude for the library's significant contributions to their organization. Rob Sampson and Gale Mastrofrancesco presented the library an Official Citation from the CT General Assembly for the library's continuous support of CASA as a community partner towards the mission of building a healthy Wolcott. The library also received a Special Congressional Recognition from Congresswoman Johana Hayes in honor and appreciation as recipient of the Appreciation Award. Thank you to all of you for these awards and citations.

Wolcott Public Library Children's Room

Summer Reading: Multiple copies of summer reading materials required by the Wolcott Public Schools are available at the library for check-out.

Pint-Sizes Picassos – Motion in the Ocean: Monday, August 7 at 5. Children entering Pre-K-1st Grade will work on a huge collaborative painting inspired by the ocean to be displayed in the library. Registration required.

Storytelling Performances: Tuesday, August 8th and Tuesday, August 15th at 10:00AM. Meris Palmer and Marcia Antwi will be sharing stories for children of all ages.

Movie Book Club: Nim's Island: Wednesday, August 9th at 5PM. Read the book, then watch the movie at the library. Join us after the movie for a book discussion and fun activities. Copies of the book available at the library.

Kid's Paint Night: Monday, August 14th at 5:30PM. Local artist Suzanne Cipriano will guide children as they paint a unique work of art inspired by the ocean. For children entering Grade 2 and up. Registration required.

Summer Reading Finale: Saturday, August 12th at 1:00PM. Celebrate the end of summer reading at the library's annual ice cream social. Raffle prizes will be ready for pick-up. Registration required.

Lego Club: Thursdays at 5:30PM. Drop in to build a Lego creation to be displayed in the children's department all week. To register for any event or to receive more info, please call the library at 203-879-8110. Check out our website www.wolcottlibrary.org for updated information and all the latest events at the Wolcott Public Library.

Farmingbury Women's Club News



During the month of August we begin to prepare for the fall season. There are just so many exciting events to follow in the coming year. Here are just a few that we look forward to; September is Membership month. On Thursday, September 14th, our first meeting of this year will be held. Karen Mowad, our Membership Chairperson, starts off our year by celebrating with a Tea party which includes an assortment of fine pastries for our members and potential new members. If you are interested in attending please feel free to contact Karen Mowad at 203-233-1216.

October will have us starting the month with our annual Breast Cancer Awareness day. We welcome all to gather on the Wolcott Green with us as we reach out to each other to recognize and support all who are affected by this terrible

disease. Place a "pink" ribbon on our "Tree of Hope" for yourself or for loved ones.

October also brings about our most important fundraiser of the year. On October 21, we will have our second Fall Festival. Chris Culver and Jude Purcell both chair this event. They are very busy putting together many different events including, contacting vendors, arranging entertainment and a variety of activities for both adults and children. This is a Community event and we appreciate your support. Proceeds from the Festival are used to donate to a variety of different needs here in Wolcott. One need in particular stands out and that is adopting a local family, for the holiday season, who are experiencing dire hardships. We also support the Veterans, all our Emergency First Responders, Special Needs and many other situations that may arise.

Your support of us and the Festival enable us to continue and "help others" when needed.

November will bring about either a "pot luck dinner" or having different guests at our meeting.

December the month of joy and happiness brings about our member Christmas party,

The above is just to give you an idea of who we are and what we do, I do remind all the Ladies (over 18 years of age) that we would love to have you attend our September meeting so you may meet our members and possibly think of joining our group.

Enjoy these lazy days of summer. Respectfully submitted, Mary Kelly, Vice President, Farmingbury Women's Club. Most members have either renewed their membership or are in the process of doing so for the 2023/2024 year.

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Wolcott \$150,000 - Colonial period home with warmth and charm; This 3 bedroom antique home features central chimney and saltbox wing, living room, dining room and kitchen w/wide plank floors, 3 fireplaces, 1 with a Dutch oven, 1 car garage, barn & smoke house, all on a 2.43 acre treed lot. Centrally located. *Ask for Linda Fercodini.*



Wolcott \$255,900 - Amazing opportunity to own 2.87 acres. This tranquil property features a 3 BR Cape with main level bedroom, large eat-in kitchen, oversized walk-in tile shower, freshly painted interior and a spacious 1 car detached garage. This picturesque property is for anyone with dreams of being a hobby farmer or just looking for a little extra outdoor space to relax & enjoy the sights and sounds of nature. *Ask for JR Donorfio.*



Wolcott \$267,900 - Perfect family home nestled a on tranquil .41 acre lot with 8 rooms, 3 bedrooms, an office & playroom; features spacious living room, comfortable bedrooms with ample space, multi-tiered deck and patio & above ground pool. *Ask for Gene Fercodini.*



Wolcott \$369,900 - New construction Cape with open floor plan; six large rooms, 2 full baths, living room, dining room & kitchen with hardwood floors, granite counters in kitchen. Main level Master bedroom with access to Jack & Jill full bath w/washer & dryer, 2 large rooms in upper level; central air, 2 car garage, partially finished lower level w/walk-out. *Ask for Sali Barolli.*



Wolcott \$649,900 - New Construction Cont. Colonial to be built in the Preserve Subdivision with access to Chestnut Hill Reservoir; 4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, hardwood floors, kitchen with granite counters & island, formal dining room, great room w/propane fireplace; 2 story grand foyer, master bedroom w/full bath & walk-in closet, laundry room, seasonal water views, town sewers. *Ask for Lynn or JR*



Wethersfield 394,500 - Beautiful brick 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath Split level with open floor plan. Huge living room with stone fireplace, formal dining room with large picture window overlooking the yard, eat-in kitchen with granite counter tops, heated sun porch, master bedroom with full bath and walk-in closet, lower level family room and half bath, large basement w/cedar closet, 2 car garage. *Ask for Lynn Lombardi.*



Waterbury Condo \$180,000 - 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath Remodeled Townhouse, end unit; eatures spacious dining area and updated kitchen, living room with access to deck with view of lake, a washer/dryer on upper level. *Ask for Sandra Deschenes.*



Waterbury Multi \$275,000 - Two family home with plenty of off-street parking; 5 rooms, 2 bedrooms, 1 full bath on each floor, front porch each floor, full basement, separate utilities; 1st floor with central air. Roof is approximately 3 years old. *Ask for Gene Fercodini.*

LAND LOTS



WOLCOTT

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

\$119,900 - Approved .89 acre wooded lot toward of end of cul-sac in the Preserve subdivision. Underground utilities, public sewers available. On cul-de-sac.

\$120,000 - Developers/Builders check out this 9 acre parcel of land in a R-30/R-40 zone. Close to Wolcott/Bristol line.

\$129,900 - .72 Acre lot with seasonal water views of Chestnut Hill reservoir, in the Preserve subdivision. Underground utilities, public sewers available. On cul-de-sac.

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

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

\$299,000 - Builders/Developers; Unique 33.61 acre parcel. Originally once a farmhouse with 13.3 acres and the remaining back parcel of 20.1 along with another road frontage lot make this the property to develop for single family homes.

WATERBURY

\$199,000 - Builders! Developers! Take Notice! 11.23 acres of land adjacent to a subdivision of beautiful homes built between 2005-2007. A Possibility of a 41-lot subdivision.

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