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Congratulations Yasmine Childs, BSN RN for graduating Cum Laude from UMASS-Dartmouth. She works in Surgical Trauma- Myrtle Beach, SC. Very proud! Mom, Dad, and Anika



Happy 9th Birthday, Owen! We're so proud of you! We love you! Mom & Dad



Congratulations Catherine for earning your doctorate in Moral Theology & Ethics from The Catholic University of America. We are so very proud of you Love Mom, Dad and Frank.



The Senior center held a retirement party for Don Charette who drove the senior bus for over 19 years. Congratulations Don and enjoy your retirement!



These storm clouds were photographed over Farmingbury Hills Golf Course on September 8th. One minute after this image was taken, strong gusty winds and heavy rain descended upon the whole area dumping several inches of rain in a matter of a few hours. *Photography by Picard*



A Quilts of Valor ceremony took place at the American Legion hall on Wolcott Road on September 17th. Eight veterans received Healing Quilts during the ceremony in front of family and friends. Plenty of photos were taken of each veteran getting their quilt by family members. This group photo was taken after each veteran received their quilt. *Photography by Picard*

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Libra, Sept 23rd - Oct 22nd
"The Scales"

People born under the sign of Libra are peaceful, fair, and they hate being alone. Partnership is very important for them, as their mirror and someone giving them the ability to be the mirror themselves. These individuals are fascinated by balance and symmetry, they are in a constant chase for justice and equality, realizing through life that the only thing that should be truly important to themselves in their own inner core of personality. This is someone ready to do nearly anything to avoid conflict, keeping the peace whenever possible.

Scorpio, Oct 23rd - Nov 21st
"The Scorpion"

Scorpios are passionate and assertive people with determination and focus you rarely see in other zodiac signs. They will turn to in-depth research to reach the truth behind anything they find important. Great leaders and guides, Scorpios are resourceful, dedicated and fearless when there is challenge to be overcome. They will hold on to other people's secrets, even when they aren't very fond of them to begin with and do anything they can for those they tie themselves to.

Rose Fasano — Oct 31st

Save The Date!
Thursday, Oct 5th - 6:30 pm

The Farmingbury Women's Club of Wolcott will host their annual Breast Cancer Awareness ceremony. The event will be on the Wolcott Town Green. All are welcome to join us!!!

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There's Always Something Good Going On
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October 5th - Thursday
Breast Cancer Awareness Ceremony
Sponsored by Farmingbury Women's Club
Location: Wolcott Town Green
Time: 6:30pm

October 21st - Saturday
(Raindate Sunday, October 22nd)
Farmingbury Women's Club Fall Festival
Location: Woodtick Recreation
201 Nichols Rd, Wolcott, CT.
Time: 10:00am - 6:00pm
Cost: Free Admission
Info: Food Trucks, Crafters & Vendors, Classic Car Show, Pumpkin Patch & Hay Rides

October 20th - Friday
Set Back Tournament
Sponsored by The Ladies Guild of St. Basil the Great Parish
Location: Father Shea Hall
525 Woodtick Rd, Wolcott (formerly St. Pius X Church)
Time: 6:30pm registration - 7:00pm game start
Tickets: \$20 per person ages 16 to adult
Info: To reserve your place contact Rachel Wisler at rachelmwisler@yahoo.com or call 203-879-0889. Prizes awarded to the top 3 scorers.

October 26th - Thursday
Meet the Candidates hosted by The Junior Women's Club
Location: Wolcott Town Hall
10 Kenea Ave, Wolcott
Time: 6:30pm
Info: All candidates on the November ballot will be invited to speak on their platforms. Time for discussion and refreshments will follow the presentation.

November 8th - Wednesday
7th Annual Veterans Vigil and Luminary Ceremony to Honor all Veterans
Location: Wolcott Town Green
Time: 5:00 pm
Info: The Ceremony will serve to promote the Green Light A Vet Advocacy Campaign and encourage individuals to keep a green light lit year round at home and/or the office.

November 10th-13th
A Weekend of Remembrance
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October 2023

As we come upon the Fall season, we look forward to enjoying all the activities the season brings. Especially, enjoying the fall foliage along the Mill Pond Way. October is Breast Cancer Awareness month; please take a moment to think about those affected by the disease.



We are asking 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, 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.

We continue to work hard to move our town forward in a positive and productive way.

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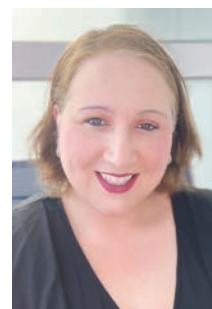
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A Minute with the Clerk

by Karen Mowad, MCTC, MMC



As a Town Clerk, Mom, School Readiness co-chair, and a natural life learner; education plays a very important role in my life. This July I signed up for a pilot program for the first ever Town Clerk Education Plus Program (EPP). This program is hosted by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. It is an 8-year commitment to further education through a variety of leadership courses, training programs, online work, conferences, etc. It is divided into four, 2 year levels....Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum.

Being a good Town Clerk does not end once you learn the basics of the job. It is a constant work in progress; learning new laws as they are presented, handling customers efficiently, and developing leadership skills to create a dynamic office environment. I am excited to join a handful of clerks throughout the world to embark in this first 2-year section to achieve bronze status. The first section emphasizes ethics and diversity and inclusion.



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The Benefits of Straight Teeth: More Than Just a Pretty Smile



Dr. Ezra Friedman
Wolcott, CT

When we think about straight teeth, the first thing that often comes to mind is a dazzling, confident smile. And yes, straight teeth do contribute to a beautiful smile, but their benefits go beyond mere aesthetics. Having straight teeth can have a significant impact on your overall oral health and well-being. So, let's dive into the wonderful world of straight teeth and explore the numerous advantages they bring.

One of the most compelling reasons to strive for straight teeth is the substantial improvement in oral health. Straight teeth are easier to care for. Cleaning and flossing between aligned teeth is less challenging compared to navigating through a maze of crooked ones. As a result, you're more likely to stick to a consistent oral hygiene routine, preventing dental issues down the road.

Crooked or misaligned teeth can create tight spaces and hidden nooks that become breeding grounds for plaque and bacteria. This can lead to issues like cavities, gum disease, and bad breath. With straight teeth, it's easier to clean every nook and cranny, reducing the risk of these dental problems.

Misaligned teeth can put extra stress on your jaw joints, potentially leading to temporomandibular joint (TMJ) disorders. These conditions can cause pain, discomfort, and difficulty in opening and closing your mouth. Straightening your teeth can help alleviate the strain on your jaw, reducing the risk of TMJ problems.

Of course, we can't ignore the psychological benefits of straight teeth. A beautiful smile can boost your self-esteem and confidence. When you're proud of your teeth, you're more likely to smile freely, which can have a positive impact on your personal and professional relationships.

Investing in orthodontic treatment to achieve straight teeth may seem like a significant expense upfront. However, in the long run, it can save you a substantial amount of money. Straight teeth are less prone to dental problems, reducing the need for costly dental treatments and surgeries.

Lastly, the benefits of straight teeth extend to your overall well-being. When you have good oral health and a confident smile, you're likely to experience reduced stress and improved quality of life. You'll feel better physically, mentally, and emotionally.

In conclusion, straight teeth offer more than just a pretty smile; they provide a range of health benefits that can enhance your overall quality of life. So, if you've been contemplating orthodontic treatment, consider not only the aesthetic advantages but also the long-term health and well-being benefits that straight teeth can bring. Your smile and your body will thank you for it.

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Don't California My Connecticut!



by Rob Sampson
State Senator, 16th District

Connecticut has little in common with California, other than increasingly progressive leadership, and the resulting damage to our economies and civil rights. California has approximately ten times the population of our "Nutmeg State." Our geographic area is roughly a mere three percent of California's,

and of course, we are separated by 3,000 miles on opposite coasts of North America. Yet, we are tied by an invisible thread of government policy dictating the behavior of Connecticut residents.

The Federal Government requires states to either adopt the emission standards set by the Department of Environmental Protection or the California emission standards. In 2004, Connecticut passed Public Act 04-84 which required the commissioner of the then DEP to adopt the California standards for light duty vehicles. Surprisingly, members of both parties voted in favor of such nonsense overwhelmingly. While there were several no votes during the committee process the bill passed the Senate 36-0 and the House 143-1 with only my friend, Rep. John Piscopo (R) being the lone (and correct) no vote.

Until recently, our law only required us to adopt the light duty standards, this changed in 2022. PA 22-25 An Act Concerning the Connecticut Clean Air Act, allowed, but did not require, DEEP to adopt the emission standards for both medium and heavy-duty vehicles. Ironically, this time, only one Republican voted in favor. That's something, I guess.

Now, the Lamont administration is attempting to use its executive and regulatory authority via the Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection to create an even farther-reaching mandate preventing the purchase of new gasoline-powered cars starting in 2035. Similar mandates on light, medium, and heavy-duty trucks will also be phased-in beginning in model year 2027.

This is unacceptable. We live in a free nation that guarantees our citizens the freedom of choice and expression. Those freedoms extend to your consumer purchases. Our government does not have the right to force citizens to buy one product over another.

These same freedoms should also extend to automakers that will now be forced to overhaul their entire product line in the span of 12 years. It is market forces that should drive an automaker's vehicle lineup. If you, as consumers, find so-called "eco-friendly" vehicles to be appealing, then automakers will adjust accordingly.

Consumers, automakers, repair shops, and fuel stations should not be subject to extreme government force and coercion. Personal choice and freedom in the marketplace must be protected. This imperative is especially true when there is a lack of any compelling argument whatsoever to begin outlawing gasoline-powered vehicles. The case for global climate change being the direct result of manmade

CO2 emissions is not the least bit conclusive with scientists on all sides of the argument. Some even suggest that CO2 levels were at dangerously low levels until recently, potentially preventing photosynthesis, killing plant life and eventually everything, and that manmade CO2 might have even helped.

That debate should continue based only in legitimate science. For our purposes, the argument over climate change is moot since the banning of gas-powered autos and trucks in favor of electric vehicles does not reduce the amount of so called "fossil fuels" in use or CO2 emissions. Our electric grid relies almost entirely upon natural gas. This is the true source of the electricity that would be used to charge and recharge the batteries in electric vehicles. Until our electric grid is powered by something other than natural gas, the push for electric vehicles is unnecessary, and obviously based solely in politics and hysteria.

More importantly, one small US state making such a commitment is as implausible as it is pointless. Without a worldwide commitment and effort, there is zero attainable benefit to our environment through this policy agenda.

The average EV costs more than \$53,000 according to Kelly Blue Book. Wouldn't it be great if Connecticut's economy was booming, and we all could afford brand new EV's? Prices will likely climb by year 2035. The result will be fewer newer vehicles being purchased. People will choose to retain their older, less efficient gas-powered vehicles longer. Remarkably, this is another result in direct contradiction of the EV initiative's stated goals.

We must also consider the environmental and humanitarian impact of EVs in terms of their production and recycling. The materials used come from ecologically-questionable cobalt-mining in third-world countries by unfriendly — and even adversarial — nations with egregious environmental and human rights records. Countless news stories have been published itemizing the damage to the environment, as well as the human suffering that is already underway to satisfy the demand for lithium batteries. The batteries themselves also raise concerns. They have proven to be dangerous in terms of potential fires and the inability to be recycled in an environmentally conscious manner.

Finally, the Left has omitted a key detail in this entire conversation: Connecticut's electric grid simply cannot handle the increase in electric usage that will be needed to power EVs. We already pay some of the highest premiums for electricity in the nation. Our electric grid, energy production, and overall infrastructure will need to be dramatically overhauled — and in just 10 to 12 years. This is not nearly enough time to accomplish this monumental task.

Possibly worse than the mandate itself, is that the Governor is attempting to circumvent the legislature in the process. The people's elected representatives must be allowed to weigh-in during future discussions so that we may cooperatively find ways to make our state more economically and environmentally friendly in a safe and responsible manner.

How long will Connecticut's residents put up with government that puts virtue signaling ahead of reason and good policy? Not long is my prediction and my hope. As always, you can find me at www.senatorsampson.com and on [social media@sampsonforct.com](mailto:socialmedia@sampsonforct.com).

Boy Scout Troop 230

Scouts in BSA Troop 230 eagerly met this month. To begin, youth leaders met to discuss and plan the year ahead. Some anticipated events include both tent and cabin camping, hikes, fishing weekends, cook offs and more. Additionally, the entire troop met to officially welcome all new scouts and to begin the year. Senior leaders, new patrol leaders and responsibilities were delegated. The boys are looking forward to all the year has in store.

September will have the troop conducting a town wide clean up. Scouts will spend a Saturday picking up debris and trash at a myriad of spots around Wolcott such as Peterson Park and the Walking Trail. They will also be hosting a fun filled recruiting night where prospective scouts can come to learn about the troop's happenings. There will be various stations to participate in which include activities such as gaga ball, knot tying and fire building. Finally, September will end with an adventurous hike at Miles of Ledges and Tory's Den Trail in Burlington, CT.

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



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Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance News



50th Anniversary Celebration

The last weekend of September, we celebrated 50 years of serving the Town of Wolcott! We kicked it off with our surviving Charter Members Friday morning with a ceremony at the Town Hall with Mayor Dunn. On Saturday, we reunited our current members and employees with past members and local dignitaries as we rededicated our Memorial walkway to the members of Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance that have passed away. We then enjoyed food, fun and fellowship at our future headquarters on Woodtick Road.

School Reminder

The school buses are back on the road picking up our children in the morning and bringing them home in the afternoon. Take extra time and be especially cautious as you approach or drive behind a school bus.

It's Time for Autumn!

Here in New England October generally brings beautiful colors as the leaves change and begin to fall. The days are getting shorter, and we are breaking out the sweaters as we enjoy the cooler weather with our pumpkin spice delights. As you are out enjoying the season, be aware of leaves on the ground that become slippery when wet. We also ask that you be more aware of adults and children out on the roads at dusk. If you or your children are out walking on the roads, we suggest wearing brighter colored clothing or reflective clothing, so drivers can spot you more easily.

Emergency Medical Technician Class

We kicked off our autumn EMT course on September 6th. The students are excited to learn what it takes to be an Emergency Medical Technician! If you are interested in becoming an E.M.T. but missed the course being taught at our new Training Center, don't worry; our spring class is in the planning stage! Stay tuned for more information in next month's article or visit us at www.wolcottambulance.com (EMT courses tab).

Community Courses

Would you like to participate in one of our community courses? Here is a list of our upcoming programs:

- Friends and Family CPR - learn layperson CPR skills (adult/child/infant) and how to use an AED – October 3, 2023, 6pm - 8pm (free of charge)
- BLS Healthcare Provider CPR - Tuesday, October 17, 2023, 6pm - 9pm (\$80.00 per person)
- Community Narcan Training - learn to identify an overdose emergency, respond, and administer naloxone - Tuesday, October 10th 6pm - 7:30pm (free of charge)

Please contact us at 203-879-4122 ext. 400 or training@wolcottambulance.com to obtain more information or to register for any of our community courses.

Membership

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Stay Safe!

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The Wolcott Youth Service Bureau

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Here's a message from our new Program Coordinator... Hello Wolcott!

I am excited to introduce myself to you - I am Danielle Choly, the Wolcott Youth Service Bureaus new Program Coordinator. I am bringing to this role over a decade of experience supporting direct care staff at non-profit organizations in Connecticut. I've also been involved in coordinating many of their fundraisers and events. I live here in Wolcott with my husband and two young boys. I am a Uconn Alumni, a licensed Realtor, and I enjoy running, hiking, and camping with my family when time allows it. I have a ton of ideas that I think will enrich the lives of the youth in Wolcott, and I can't wait to share them with you all. Please - if you have any thoughts you'd like to share with us, don't hesitate to reach out. Our email is youthservices@wolcottct.org or 860-406-4896.

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Deadline for Submissions is Sunday, October 15th

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Sean Hughes – Town Council District 3

Current member of the Wolcott Town Council serving as Majority Leader and member of the Finance sub-committee. Former member of the Board of Education. Former Vice Chairman and member of the Wolcott Library Board of Trustees, former member and Chairman of the Wolcott Economic Development Commission and a former member of the Waterbury Board of Assessment Appeals. I am a member of the Wolcott Republican Town Committee, current Secretary, and previous Chairman of 5 years. I am a member of the Wolcott Lions Club, currently serving as Club 1st Vice President and have served as a former Treasurer of the Wolcott Country Fair. I am also a member of Wolcott Lodge No. 146.



Anthony Guerrera Jr – Town Council District 1

I have resided in the town of Wolcott for 36 years. I have owned my own business since moving here employing 11 and working throughout all the New England states. I am a former coach at the BAW on the Roberto Clemente level and spent 19 years with "Coach Dave." I am a former member of the Wolcott Exchange Club. Recently I was a member of the Building Committee for the Board of Education.



Joseph Skerritt Jr – Town Council District 3

I was born and raised in Waterbury and moved to Wolcott 30 years ago. I retired from the Waterbury School District after working for 35 years as a teacher and administrator. I have been a member of the Wolcott Ambulance for 44 years and currently serve as the Asst Chief. I am also a member of the Wolcott Emergency Planning Committee. I am grateful for this opportunity and look forward to serving all the citizens of Wolcott as a member of the town council.



Terri Sheehan – Town Council District 1

I have been a resident of the Town of Wolcott since 2003. I have deep roots within our Town. Together my husband and I own and operate a business in Town. I am in charge and oversee human resources, payroll, accounts payable, accounts receivable, service, contract review and negotiation, review of legal documents, and overall business upkeep and management. I have served on various committees and boards within our town. Some of which include the Board of Ethics, Secretary for the Local Emergency Planning Commission, Civilian Police Review Board, and Blight. I have also

served and been a member of school PTOs, booster clubs, hiring committees for various positions within our schools.



Cindy Mancini – Board of Education

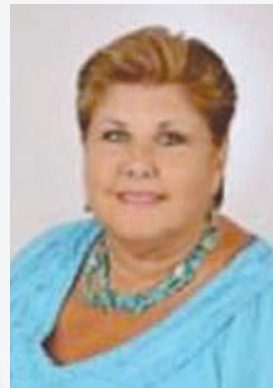
Cindy has been on the BOE for 16 years. She has served as Chairman of the Board of Education for 4 years. Former Chair Finance Committee for 12 years, Board of Education, Citizens Against Substance Abuse (CASA) Founding Members and Treasurer, BS Accounting, Post College, Room Mom, Wolcott Public Schools, Reading Is Everybody's Business, former member Program & Operations/Facilities, Board of Education Committee Member, Member of West Region DDS Regional Action Council.



Don Charette – Town Council District 2

I have served on the Wolcott Town Council for 12 years, the last 2 years as Vice Chairman. Wolcott resident of over 54 years, Wolcott Board of Assessment Appeals, Former Chairman and Vice-Chairman, 5 terms on Wolcott Sewer & Water Commission, Former Vice-Chairman, 3 terms on the Inland Wetlands Commission, 2 terms on Board of Assessment Appeals, Town Council Negotiations Committee, Back Tax Committee; Ordinance Committee Chairman; Liaison to Wolcott Volunteer Fire Dept; Liaison to Mill Pond Walk Trail; Finance Sub-Committee, 3 yrs. On the Wolcott Volunteer Fire Dept, Wolcott

Volunteer Fire Dept Honorary Member, Retired Water Fire Dept 27yrs, St. Peter & Paul Parish-Eucharistic Minister, American Legion Post 165-member, Former Commander, Present Senior Vice-commander, Past President of CT State Firefighters Association, Knights of Columbus 3rd degree.



Roberta Leonard – Board of Education

Roberta has been on the BOE for 12 years. Current Secretary, Board of Education, Facilities Committee, member, Board of Education, Chair of Programs & Operations Committee, Board of Education, Current Governing Board member for ACES representing Wolcott, Lifelong Wolcott resident, 35-year teacher, Wolcott Schools, 1 daughter Jennie, WHS and Uhart Graduate, MS Reading, SCSU, BS, Early Childhood Education. SCSU, Wolcott Town Council, 10 years, Wolcott Historical Society member, Former Member Board of Assessment Appeals, Former Member Inlands, Wetlands Commission.



Rachel Wisler – Town Council District 2

Currently serving as Chairman of the Town Council. I have served on the Council for 13 years and was Chairman of the Finance Committee. I also served on the Library Board of Directors. In 1984 together with my husband Rene, we founded Rene Swiss Corp., an International Company still operating today. I have been a Wolcott resident since 1971.



Kelly Mazza – Board of Education

Kelly has served on the BOE for 6 years and is currently the Vice Chair. She serves on the personnel, negotiations, and facilities committees. A Wolcott High School graduate, she has lived in town for 38 years. She has a Masters in Teaching. She is the VP of HR at a local hospital and is a Veteran of the Army National Guard. She serves on the Wolcott Veterans Commission and is a volunteer for Friends of First Responders. She is a member of the Republican Town Committee.

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Nikoleta Kollchaku – Board of Education

Currently a BOE member; serving on Operation & Program and Personal committees. 38 years of teaching experience: Physics and mathematics in Albania for 14 years and mathematics in Waterbury Public Schools for 24 years. 2019-2020 Teacher of The Year of Crosby High School. Presently teaching at Waterbury Career Academy. In addition, I have been a mathematics lecturer at NVCC since 2008.



Melissa Hughes – Board of Education

I am currently serving on the Wolcott Board of Education since November of 2022. I have recently resigned as a Special Education Teacher, a position that I held for 21 years. I am currently the owner of a Home Daycare Learning Center in Wolcott. I also serve as the Chairwoman of Wolcott Republican Town Committee. I have lived in Wolcott with my two children and husband for 10 years.



Brock Weber – Board of Education

Brock Weber was born and raised in Bristol, Connecticut and has been a local Wolcott resident for the past three years. Brock serves as the current Deputy Chief of Staff to New Britain Mayor Erin Stewart and has vast experience in both municipal and statewide politics and governance. Brock resides in town with his wife Jessica, their two-year old son James, and their dog Ari.



Adam Glasser – Board of Assessment Appeals

14 years on the Board of Assessment Appeals, 12 years serving as chairman. Served on the Inland Wetlands commission. Former Treasurer Wolcott Republican Town Committee. Active WHS Robotics mentor for over 15 years, 2023 Woodie Flowers Finalist Award Nominee. On the Board of Directors & founding member of the Central Connecticut Robotics Association, Former BSA Assistant ScoutMaster, Former WYAA Assistant Soccer Coach, Presidential award for volunteering. Awarded 3 patents. Over 30 years engineer at Sikorsky Aircraft, BSAE, MSME & MBA. 28 year Wolcott town resident.



Larry Peck – Board of Assessment Appeals

Nine years in Wolcott, Two years on the Board of Assessment Appeals, Retired, 15 years running a wholesale/retail business, 33 years teaching high school Science and Math, 25 years facilitating adult ed courses in human relations, 15 years coaching youth sports, 10 years teaching church school classes/heading youth groups, Currently Assistant to the Ministry Director of the Grace Place Food Pantry in Meriden.



Ken Barnes – Zoning Board of Appeals

I have been a resident of Wolcott for 36 years. I have served on the ZBA for the past 18 years. Along with my experience on the board my qualifications include having worked for an International Retailer as Sr. Director of Development for 40 years. I'm proud to have been one of the "First Dads" to help build the ball fields at the BAW along with coaching for several years when our sons Joe and Shawn were young and I'm also proud of being the co-founder of the Goal Club supporting WHS soccer and the Diamond Club supporting WHS baseball. It has been and hopefully will continue to be an honor to

serve our town. Your support in November is greatly appreciated. She is a member of the Republican Town Committee.



Anthony Lombardi – Zoning Board of Appeals

Currently a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Born and raised in Wolcott, attended Wolcott schools including Wolcott High School. Also attended University of Connecticut, Storrs, and New England School of Law. Associate General Counsel for a title insurance company with extensive real estate and zoning background. Currently sits on the Wolcott Circle of Sports Board of Directors, and on the Italian-American Bar Association Board of Directors, former Pop Warner football coach and Little League baseball coach.



Jim Treanor – Zoning Board of Appeals

I am Jim Treanor co-broker with son Jim Treanor Jr of Treanor Real Estate. I started in the business in 1993. We specialize in listing and selling homes in CT. I strongly agree that every working family should own a home versus renting. This is because prior to reaching 65 this home will have been paid off. A tenant will have no choice but to continue paying rent. What if you bought another for investment? Every person that took my advice and bought more homes for investment just loves the extra income. I have been a private pilot flying primary Cessna's and Pipers since 1986. I have also been a member-pilot in the Civil Air Patrol since 2015.



Dan DiVirgilio – Constable

I have been a resident of Wolcott since 1977. Volunteered for BAW 15 years and Coached 5 years, Coached Wolcott Basketball Park and Rec for 2 years, Volunteered Boy Scout Troop Wolcott 230 for 12 years and was Committee Chairman 4 years. I am a member of the American Legion Post 165 Wolcott, Wolcott Lions Club and I have served as a Lion for 25 years. I have served in all capacities at the club level including President 4 times. Also served on the District Cabinet and as District 23B Governor and State Council Chair for all State Lions. I am a member of the Park and Recreational and Acquired Facilities Commission, member of the Republican Town Committee, Assistant Director for Patriots Day Incentive, Justice of the Peace. Ordained Minister, 18 years I have been presenting Junior Achievement Classes for DePaolo Middle School Southington, and Eastern Middle School grades 6 thru 8. I am an actor for ADP production for Community interactive and immersive there for 15 years.



Peter Sheehan – Constable

Lived in Wolcott since 1998. Wolcott Lions Club, Boy Scouts of America, BAW Coach, Waterbury & Wolcott Chamber of Commerce, National Constables and Marshals Association, Independent Electrical Contractors of New England Association. I have served on various committees and boards within our town. Some of which include Planning and Zoning, Building Code Board of Appeals, Sewer & Water Commission, Local Emergency Planning Commission and the Community Emergency Response Team.



Paul Gallucci – Constable

I have resided in Wolcott for 54 years. I have been a Constable for a number of years. I have worked at Farrell in Waterbury. I am a retired Veteran. I am involved in the VFW in town. I have grown children and 5 grandchildren.

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PLYMOUTH \$159,900 — End Unit townhouse style condo in well maintained complex abutting Lake Winfield. Remodeled eat-in-kitchen with laminate flooring, SS appliances, subway tile backsplash, maple cabinets & sliders to the convenient large deck, Large Living Room & 1/2 bath, both with laminate flooring round out the Main Level. Upper Level offers 2 oversized bedrooms, double closet space, full bath & ample attic space. The lower level offers laundry area & walk out to the patio.



WOLCOTT \$59,900 — Need Town of Wolcott building permit. Come and build your dream home. Wooded lot with city water and city sewer available in the street. Newer homes in the area. There are wetlands on the lot. It must be approved through Inlands and Wetlands before permit can be obtained.



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Junior Women's Club News



The month of September was busy for our Juniors. We began the month with donations of gently used clothing and shoes to various organizations. We supported the celebration of the 250th year of the Wolcott Congregational Church. We had fun ourselves while we applied temporary tattoos on our little ones during the One Clean day of Fun sponsored by Wolcott Crossroads. September 30th we were inspired to create our own scarecrows, so look for our scarecrows on the green! October 2nd we will celebrate World Sight Day by donating old glasses in the bins located at the Wolcott Library. We will be attending the Connecticut Junior Women's Club Fall Conference October 14th in Windsor. Look for us at the Farmingbury Women's Fall Festival on October 21st. We will again have a booth with spectacular gift baskets that will be raffled off at the end of the event.

The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott, will host the "Meet the Candidates" on Thursday October 26th at 6:30 PM. Location will be the Wolcott Town Hall, 10 Kenea Avenue, in the Council Chambers. All candidates on the November ballot will be invited to speak on their platforms. Time for discussion and refreshments will follow the presentations.

The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott will be sponsoring our eighth Annual "Vote Against Hunger" on Election Day. We are requesting that voters donate canned or non-perishable food items, all donations will be donated to the Wolcott Food Pantry. Collection boxes will be in the voting poll areas: Tyrrell Middle School, Wolcott High School and Wakelee Elementary School. Your "Vote Against Hunger" will help to fill the pantry shelves as we enter into the busy holiday season. Upcoming events include our opening of our Holiday season with the Lighting of the Christmas tree on the Town Green scheduled for November 26th at 6 PM. Come and join us as we watch our newly crowned Little Miss and Little Mr. Wolcott press down on the switch to light the tree.

With tears in our eyes, we will forever miss our dear friend Eddie Bruneau. Eddie and her husband Ron were long time volunteers to our community. Eddie was a good friend and mentor to all of us. She joined our club in 1976, a forty-seven-year active member. She inspired every one of us, impacted our lives and the lives of this community. Those who knew her admired her compassion, dedication, commitment and love for her family, friends and the town of Wolcott. She will be missed beyond words our dear friend Eddie!

We are dedicated to support our upcoming programs, including but not limited to Toys for Tots & Teens as well as our Fuel Fund for Wolcott residents. Please look for upcoming information in the Wolcott Community News. Throughout this year we will celebrate our motto: "It is in giving that we receive" as we continue to serve our community. The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott meets the 1st Wednesday of every month from September- June at 7 pm. Our meetings are open to all women age of 18 or older, who are interested in doing volunteer work and developing new friendships. Please check out our website www.juniorwomensclubofwolcott.org for more information on all of these projects or email us at wolcottjuniors@gmail.com.



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Mosquitoes Thriving Due to Increase in Temperatures and Milder Winters

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The Chesprocott Health District is urging residents to take the following precautions to keep mosquitoes under control and prevent contracting a mosquito-borne disease this season.

- Empty all standing water in outdoor containers and fill tree holes that collect water
- Tightly cover all storage containers (rain barrels, buckets, etc.) so mosquitoes cannot lay eggs
- If you have a septic tank, repair cracks or gaps. Cover open vent or plumbing pipes. Use wire mesh with holes smaller than an adult mosquito.
- Repair any holes in window screens to prevent mosquitoes from coming into the house
- Keep doors closed and avoid propping doors open
- When possible, wear clothing with long sleeves, pants, skirts and long dresses as well as wear socks and shoes to stop mosquitoes biting your skin.
- Use Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) registered insect repellent with one of the following ingredients (DEET, Picaridin (known as KBR 3023, IR3535, Oil of lemon eucalyptus (OLE), Para-menthane-diol (PMD), or 2-undecanone)

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Scholarships for Wolcott Grade 9-11 Students

For the new 2023-2024 school year, Wolcott High School students in grades 9, 10, 11, may be registered by their parents in a new Quick Start program offered by Sage Scholars if they did not previously enroll in a Sage Scholars program. Registration is free.

When students are in grade 11, they can complete a questionnaire about their academics, personal achievements, and college interests. Such data is entered into a database and offered to the 460 private universities comprising Sage Scholars. Any of those universities may mail information on their school to any student they find interesting to them.

Participants in the Quick Start program can accumulate 13,500 tuition reward points if they enroll in grade 11, or 19,000 tuition reward points if they enroll in grade 10, or 24,000 tuition reward points if they enroll in grade 9. Each tuition reward point may be converted into \$1 of tuition credits if a student enters any of the 460 private universities comprising Sage Scholars.

70 of the 460 universities are now making "Pre-Admission" offers to students. They may offer to accept a student upon verification of the information in the student's questionnaire, and receipt of an application from the student. Such offers can come in either grade 11 or grade 12. This reverses the current process of a student recruiting colleges in grade 12, and under Quick Start colleges may make "Pre-Admission" offers to students as early as 11th grade.

Parents of eligible students must enroll their children directly with Sage Scholars. The Wolcott Board of Education does not allow scholarships to be offered to Wolcott students by individuals or by business corporations, only by 501(c)(3) charities, and will not vote to change their policy.

If your child is not already registered with Sage Scholars, you may register your child by (1) go to www.tuitionrewards.com/quickstart; (2) enter the program code "Chess"; and (3) follow the instructions. — Frederick Townsend, Wolcott



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When it comes to protecting our children, the government bears responsibility for keeping the most vulnerable of them safe, especially those who are in the care of the Department of Children and Families. But ladies and gentlemen, something is broken with this system.

My Republican colleagues in the House and Senate have called for the Department of Children and Families to explain to the legislature its procedures for placing high-risk juveniles in group homes. In addition, we want to know how contractors who run these facilities are selected.

We have also requested that the legislature's Committee on Children, which has oversight of DCF-related matters, hold an informational hearing about what happened at the Short-Term Assessment & Respite (STAR) Home in Harwinton as well as the process used to secure vendors such as Bridge Family Center.

Why are we calling for this? The CT Inside Investigator published a report in recent weeks detailing horrific allegations about conditions inside the STAR Home, which is operated by the nonprofit Bridge Family Center. The home is one of four emergency shelters in the state operated by Bridge, housing girls with behavioral and mental health problems who are in DCF custody after being removed from the care of their families.

The allegations are sickening. Multiple staff members were accused in documentation of physically and sexually assaulting the girls in the home, one who was only 14 years old. Meanwhile, the residents of the home were running amuck, assaulting staff members, barricading themselves in the facility and attacking state troopers who responded to help.

The girls in the home – ranging from 14 to 18 – also sneaked out of the facility, stole cars and committed burglaries in town, among other allegations included in the

report. And this didn't just happen once or twice, the police and first responders were called to the home "hundreds" of times in two years! Did DCF launch a full investigation and shut the home down in response? No!

It is absolutely outrageous. How could this have gone unnoticed by the higher ups at DCF? Did they just ignore the problem?

One local official in Harwinton went so far as to call it a crisis because during a large brawl at the home, all of the town's ambulances were tied up, leaving none for residents who were experiencing an emergency elsewhere in town. And there were allegations that staff were told not to call police, but instead consult with supervisors when things got out of control.

My concern is not just for this one particular home, it is for all the other facilities under DCF oversight and the contractors it hires to run them. How do we know what is going on inside these homes? Are there logs of police calls, staff reports, or other metrics we, as lawmakers, can see to evaluate the effectiveness of these programs? Do these homes track the progress of their residents to ensure they are getting the help they need?

These are basic questions, which is why we are calling for hearings to get to the bottom of it and demand accountability for the people in charge. Millions of tax dollars are being spent on these facilities and we want accountability not only for the girls who are placed there, but also the residents in the surrounding area. Their safety is at risk and I am concerned about other towns as well.

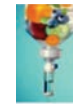
We expect that when our tax dollars are used, they are used responsibly, especially when those funds are supposed to be used to keep our youngest safe. But I fear that this one home in Harwinton, is just the tip of the iceberg when it comes to statewide problems with these facilities.

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/repale.

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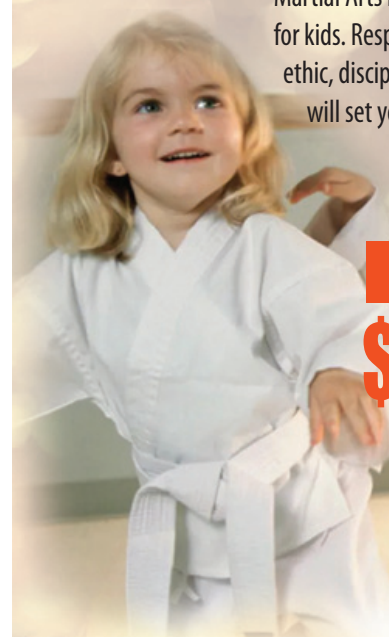
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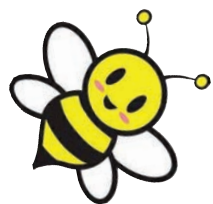
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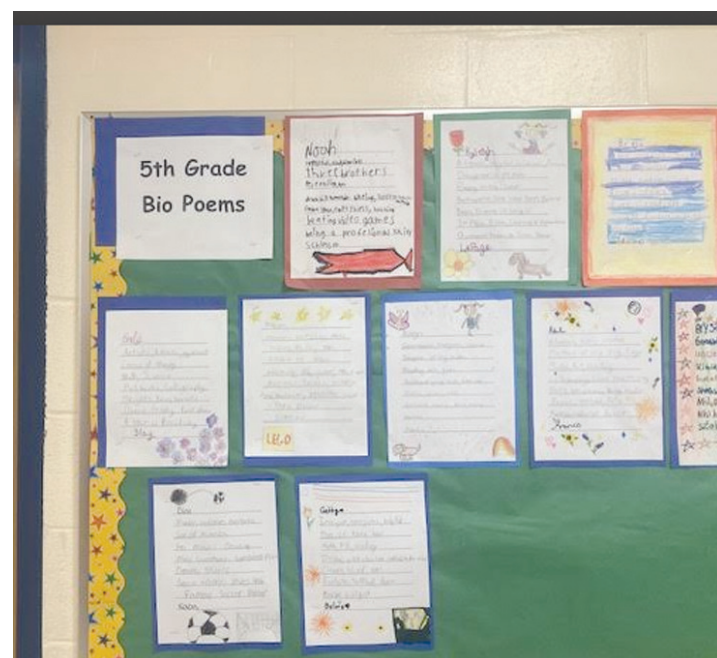
Focus On Frisbie



Frisbie Students are welcomed back to school by the Frisbie Staff and Principal Mrs. Murtaugh.



Frisbie students wrote inspirational phrases for their Summer reading theme "Find Your Voice".



Frisbie 5th grade students created Bio Poems about themselves!

Wakelee School News!



Wakelee students excited to head into their first day of school!



Staff ready for a great school year!



Students enjoying their first week of PE enjoying an activity called "Vikings"!



Kindergarten students enjoying a brain break!



Mrs. Calabro's fifth grade class on the first day!



Mrs. Ciarleglio's second grade class on the first day of school.



Wolcott High School NEWS



Wolcott High School College Fair

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

6:00-7:30 P.M.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH 2023

5:00PM-6:00PM

WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

With Speaker:

Cathy Hardy
Connecticut Community Colleges
Director of Financial Aid

Notification of 504

The Wolcott Board of Education is seeking to identify and notify the parents or legal guardians of children who may be in need of the American with Disabilities Act, Section 504 services. The purpose of the act is to prohibit discrimination and to assure that disabled students have educational opportunities and benefits equal to those provided to non-disabled students. If you have a child with a handicap that substantially limits one or more major life activities and who is not currently identified, please contact your building principal Mr. Walter Drewry, District ADA 504 Coordinator, at Wolcott High School-(203) 879-8164.



Wolcott High School
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WHEN: Saturday Sept. 30, 2023

TIME: 9AM-1PM

WHERE: Wolcott High School
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- Keyboards
- Computer Mice
- Stereo Equipment
- Telephones
- Cellphones
- Cameras
- Tablets & e-Books
- Microwaves
- Other small appliances



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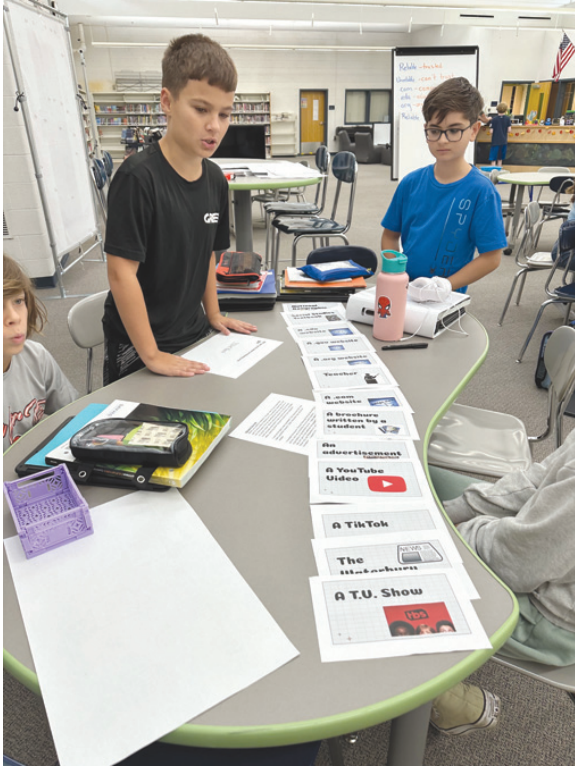
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Target on Tyrrell



Sixth grade social studies came into the media center to experience a mini lesson on finding reliable sources



K.A. Holt
Students participated in One School One Read over the summer and read House Arrest by K.A. Holt. The author paid a virtual visit on September 18th to Tyrrell Middle School.



Thank you to the Tyrrell Middle School PTO for generously funding wall art that was installed this summer. Now our Tornado greets students and visitors at the main entrance and visiting teams are welcomed to "Tornado Alley" at the gym entrance.

Farmingbury Women's Club News



Hello and welcome to the wonderful season of fall. We, the Farmingbury Women's Club continue to have exciting Events planned.

A Membership Tea was once again planned and coordinated by Karen Mowad. Her theme this year was so appropriate, "Thank you for being a Friend" as new members and potential members were welcomed along with our current members. Her menu selection was outstanding as usual and we cannot thank her enough for the care and work she puts in to make this a success.

As of October 5, approaches us, please, Save the Date; Thursday, October 5 @ 6:30 on the Wolcott Green, we will recognize Breast Cancer Awareness month. Our program will support and recognize Survivors of Breast Cancer. Some of our guests speakers will be Miss Connecticut, Miss Wolcott Volunteer, Miss CT Teen and special guests. Please join us as the "Tree of Hope" is lit with pink lights. Part of the ceremony will give you an opportunity to place a pink ribbon on the tree for yourself or for a loved one. The event will take place Rain or Shine, in the event of rain, the event will be held in the Wolcott Town Chambers.

Save the Date: Saturday, October 21, 10:00 – 6:00, at the Woodtick Recreation area, located at 201 Nichols Road, (across from the Police Department) join our Community in celebrating fall, over 50 crafters/vendors literally something for everyone!! Here's a list of just some of the happenings!! Wolcott's "Top Dawg" contest, Celebrity Pie Eating Contest, Food Trucks, Pat's, LaFortuna, Touch a Truck, Car Show, Hayrides, Meatball Bombs, Bees Knees Spirits & Scoops, Pumpkin Patch, 110 Baked, Raffle Baskets, Door Prizes, and other food vendors, for more Info, Jude 203-768-4998 or Chris 203-441-2034

Here is the Agenda for the Day of the Festival:

- 10:00 OPEN
- 12:00 – 4:00 ROCK PAINTING
- 10:00 – 5:00 TOP DAUG CONTEST
- 1:00 CELEBRETY PIE EATING
- 11:00 - 4:30 CAR SHOW
- 3:00 AMAZING "WELCOME TO 60'S"
- 11:00 AMASING "WELCOME TO THE 60'S"
- 5:00 TOP DAUG WINNER
- 11:00 – 4:00 HAY RIDES & PUMPKIN PATCH
- 5:00 RAFFLES/DOOR PRIZES

Monies collected at this event are used in supporting Community needs, Scholarships, Veterans' and supporting our local first Responders. Please join us!!

*Respectfully submitted by Mary Kelly, VP,
Farmingbury Women's Club*

Blessing of the Animals

All Saints' Episcopal Church
282 Bound Line Road, Wolcott

October 8th : Worship Service
with Holy Communion – 10:00AM

Blessing of the Animals – approximately 11:15AM

In honor of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals, whose feast day is October 04th, bring all of your pets to All Saints' Church. We have dogs that attend church regularly. All God's creatures are welcome at our worship service and the special blessing afterward. Treats for the four-legged critters and light refreshments for the two-legged critters will be offered. Our special guest is Nighthawk Flying, a native American shaman. The animal world and all of nature are revered by all first nation people. Please come join with us for worship and/or blessing.

CASA Upcoming Events



National Prescription Drug Take Back Day - October 28, 2023, 10AM to 2PM at the Police Station. The National Prescription Drug Take Back Day aims to provide a safe, convenient, and responsible means of disposing of prescription drugs, while also educating the general public about the potential for abuse of medications. Drug Take back day October 28th.

Red Ribbon Week takes place each year from October 23 through the 31st. It's mission is to help keep kids drug-free and the 2023 Red Ribbon Campaign Theme is, "Be Kind to Your Mind. Live Drug Free.™" This year's theme is a reminder that everyday Americans across the country make significant daily contributions to their communities by being the best they can be because they live Drug-Free! We will share strategies with 3rd, 4th, and 5th grades to help them make healthy choices.

We hope to see you at our coalition meetings this year. The meetings are a great opportunity for you to learn what CASA is up to, and for you to see how together, we can build a healthy Wolcott. Meetings are held at the library, starting at noon; lunch is provided.

- November 17, 2023
- January 12, 2024
- March 8, 2024
- May 10, 2024

Contact us with any questions:
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Wolcott Grange #173

by Karen Mowad

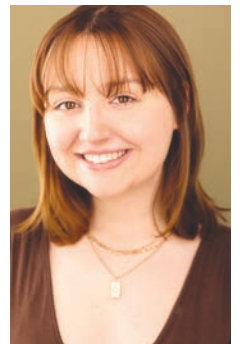


Books with Benefits! If you have visited our Little Free Library and taken home a book, you may have noticed a little surprise inside. One dollar and five-dollar bills were added randomly to some of our books with a thank you note for stopping by and supporting our organization. If you have taken a book home and have not yet cracked it open, now is the time! Many were kids and teen books. Reading is so important, especially with our youth. We are so proud to have such a popular Little Free Library and we encourage you to visit and check out what is new.

Kindness and fun doesn't have to cost a lot. You must be creative and not be afraid to think outside the box! Be well and enjoy the fall weather!

AmaSing Welcomes a New Teacher

AmaSing Voice Performing Arts Studio welcomes Reagan Smith to its team of music and arts educators. Reagan is a longtime resident of Wolcott and a 2023 graduate of Western Connecticut State University. She has a degree in Theater Acting and Design/Technology. Reagan is an Alumni of AmaSing Voice, formally SPP Vocal Studio. A graduate of Wolcott HS, she has starred in many local and regional performances and received a Halo Award for her role as Wednesday in the musical "The Addams Family." While at WCSU she portrayed Charlotte Corday in "Marat/Sade", and Gingy in "Shrek" the Musical at The Granite Theater and was also featured in the ensemble in the show "Metamorphoses." This summer she worked with the Barrington Stage Company as part of the 2023 MTC cohort in Pittsfield, MA. Reagan is excited to teach voice, acting and musical theater starting this September at AmaSing Voice Performing Arts Studio in Wolcott.



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Wolcott Historical Society - October 2023



by Florence Goodman

As I have stated in so many of my previous articles, our town, whether we are discussing Farmingbury Parish or Wolcott, has a rich and interesting history that started over 250 years ago. In 2021 Wolcott celebrated 225 years of its incorporation and last month the Congregational Church celebrated 250 years on “Benson’s Hill.” As I stood on the Green enjoying the festivities during that celebration, I couldn’t help but notice the 1923 date on our Town Hall. That is another building that should be remembered and celebrated because it has been standing on Benson’s Hill for 100 years.

This month, I’d like to revisit the history of our Town Hall that started out looking much differently than what you see today. In Colonial times there was no separation of church and state, therefore town meetings were held at the Congregational Parish until 1839 when that original church structure was destroyed by fire. After the destruction of the Church, town meetings were held outside on the Green until 1856. In that year the town selectmen purchased an old store located on the south side of the Green from Anson H. Smith for the sum of \$350. That building became the first town hall and was referred to as “Old Town Hall.” It was used for government and social activities for seventy years. The Wolcott Drum Band, today known as the Mattatuck Drum Band and the Grange used the upstairs of the building for their weekly meetings. Later the Grange purchased the building next door and no longer needed the use of the Town Hall.



The 1923 structure that was included in the new construction/renovations from 1989-1991.

In 1923 the “Old Town Hall” was replaced with a new brick structure. It was a two and a half story Federal Revival-style building featuring a gable-to-street roof and a trap rock foundation. This new structure continued to be used for town offices, town meetings and graduations for the district elementary schools. In 1924 the town library was moved from the Beecher Memorial, which was next to the Congregational Church to the Town Hall. It was housed in



The new Town Hall built in 1923. This photo was used to create a mural on the wall of the TD Bank next to Pat’s IGA.

a room off the entryway, and it remained there until 1957 when it was moved into the basement of the Center School building because of renovations to the Town Hall. During the years from 1957 to 1959 several town offices were relocated to the Center School building. At some point, a vault room was added to the Center School to house town records for the Town Clerk.

In 1987 a State of Connecticut inspection of Town Hall revealed that vaults in several offices were no longer large enough to safely store and preserve public records and that the town was in violation of state statutes. Thus, the town was required to bring the building into full compliance with the law. On September 8, 1989, the groundbreaking for the new building took place and seventeen months later what emerged was a beautiful new structure, BUT that original 1923 building remained a part of it. The new addition/renovations added 9,300 square feet of new space to the 5,700 square foot old space. We now had a Town Hall that met State requirements as well as expanded working space in every department. Even though the present Town Hall building still houses the original 1923 structure, if the date was not posted on that old section of the building, you might not even notice it.

So, the next time you drive by our Town Hall look to the far-right side and look up and you will see “1923” at the top of the gable. Happy 100th Birthday to our “Old Town Hall”

(Information for this article was taken from: “National Register of Historic Places Registration form”, completed in 2000; “Wolcott Town Hall Dedication Ceremony” booklet from articles by Michael R. Brennen & Eileen Coe; The 1986 Historic Resources Inventory, by J.P. Loether;)

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 Flo Goodman at 203-879-9818.



The present-day Town Hall which was built 1989-91 and includes the 1923 building to the right.

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, & artifacts relating to Wolcott. Please contact Flo Goodman at 203-879-9818.

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Donna Belval
Senior Center Director

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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

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 11:30-12:30 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**

Tuesday, October 3

11:30 “Sleep Apnea” presented by Dr. Skye Zeller DMD, PhD-Dental Sleep Experts of CT — This presentation will be focused on sleep apnea in the senior population. Discussion on signs and symptoms, how sleep apnea is diagnosed and different options for the treatment of sleep apnea. Open to the public. Complimentary coffee and snacks will be offered.

Wednesday, October 4

11:30 Lunch Special — Fund Raiser for Wolcott Food Pantry — Turkey w/ gravy over Texas Bread, Stuffing, Vegetable, Cranberry Sauce, & Dessert — \$8.00 pp Pay by Mon. Oct 2

Thursday, October 5

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Bacon, Egg & Cheese on a Toasted Roll — \$3.00 pp Sign up by Tues. Oct 3
11:30 “Chocolate Dipping Class — Chris from CC’s Chocolates — learn how to make/dip Oreo’s, make your own chocolate bark, or make your own candy bar \$10.00 pp — Pay by Mon. Oct 2

Monday, October 9

CLOSED - COLUMBUS DAY HOLIDAY

Tuesday, October 10

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at Blue Colony Diner — Sign up for bus

Wednesday, October 11

8:00 Bus leaves for Butterfly Museum — Deerfield, MA (pay at the door)
Richard’s Candy Store, Old Deerfield Country Store, Yankee Candle, Lunch TBD — Sign up
8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Ham, Egg & Cheese on a Croissant — \$3.00 pp, Sign up by Tues. Oct 10
11:30 Lunch Special — Italian Combo — Ham, Salami, Provolone Cheese w/ Lettuce on a Roll, chips & Dessert — \$4.00 pp — Pay by Tues. Oct 10

Thursday, October 12

8:00 Bus leaves for Foxwood’s Casino — sign up at the senior center
11:30 Crafty Corner w/ Jeannie — Learn to make a Ghost Witch Halloween Table Decoration — \$8.00 pp Pay when you sign up

Tuesday, October 17

9:45 Bus leaves for shopping at Boscov’s — Lunch at The Cromwell Diner, Sign up for the bus

Wednesday, October 18

11:30 Lunch Special — 2 Slices Cheese Pizza, Chips & Dessert — \$4.00 pp — Pay by Mon. Oct 16

Friday, October 20

8:00 Bus leaves for Foxwoods Casino (If you signed up for Oct 12 bus trip, you are not eligible to sign up for this trip) — Sign up for the bus

Tuesday, October 24

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at Great Taste of China — 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, October 25

11:30 Lunch Special — Chicken Salad w/ Lettuce on a Croissant, Chips & Dessert — \$4.00 pp Sign up by Mon Oct 23

Thursday, October 26

11:30 Halloween Pizza Party — \$5.00 pp — Pay by Mon Oct 23 — 2 slices Cheese Pizza, Tossed Salad, Dessert & Candy Treats — Come in Costume & Win A Prize!

Friday, October 27

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Blueberry Pancakes w/ Bacon — \$3.00 pp, Sign up by Mon. Oct 23
11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at AJ’s Steakhouse — Sign up for the bus

Tuesday, October 31

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast—Belgium Waffle w/ Bacon — \$3.00 pp, Sign up by Mon. Oct 30

Wednesday, November 1

11:30 Lunch Special — Fundraiser for the Wolcott Food Pantry — Pasta w/ Meatballs, Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad, & Dessert — \$8.00 pp — Pay by Mon. Oct 30



Eleanor Mori celebrated her 96th birthday with us during bingo!



Our senior center sponsored a Farmer’s Market by Brass City Harvest for seniors with food insecurity. This program is run by the State of CT Dept of Agriculture for income eligible seniors.



Don Charette drove our seniors on thousands of bus trip over 19 years! Congrats to Don and enjoy your retirement!



Around Town Photography
by Roger Picard



Long time Wolcott resident and Navy veteran, Richard “Dick” Richmond was laid to rest at Edgewood Cemetery with full military honors recently. Immediate family members of Mr. Richmond, were on hand to pay their final respects. His cremains, and the cremains of his wife Marie, were laid to rest together at the private ceremony. Thank you for your service Mr. Richmond and rest in peace.



The Exchange Club of Wolcott held their 22nd annual Clam Jam at the Woodtick Recreation Pavilion on September 10th. Despite the rainy weather, a large turnout of people attended the event to enjoy great food, beverages and live entertainment. The Exchange Club also held their annual raffle at this event with two winners from Wolcott, one from Waterbury, and the fourth from Southington.



The Wolcott Park and Recreation department sponsored another concert on the green on August 27th. The band Acoustic Routes provided the entertainment for a large turnout of townspeople. The weather was ideal for the event as well.



The Wolcott Food Pantry held another Fill The Gazebo event on September 16th. On the Town green, volunteers were busy with motorists stopping by to unload food for the pantry. Two other locations in town were also busy collecting food.



The Wolcott Crossroads organization held their annual Clean Day of Fun behind Frisbie School on September 16th. Even tropical storm Lee couldn't prevent them from having their event. Live entertainment, food, bounce houses, vendors and a display of emergency vehicles were all part of the daylong event. Even Batman and Spiderman were observed among the attendees and having their pictures taken with fans.



The Wolcott Senior Center hosted a Farmers Market at the Woodtick Recreation Pavilion on August 30th. Brass City Harvest of Waterbury provided a large variety of fruits and vegetables for the Wolcott seniors who attended this event. Brass City Harvest provides Farmers Markets for the greater Waterbury area for all citizens to partake in.

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:

Alcott: Ms. LeAnn Beland
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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 on-line before the meeting.

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

	FIRST	SECOND
OCTOBER	10 (Tuesday)	30 (Monday)
NOVEMBER	13 (Monday)	27 (Monday)
DECEMBER	11 (Monday-AES)	
JANUARY	08 (Monday-FES)	
FEBRUARY	05 (Monday-WES)	
MARCH	04 (Monday-WHS)	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
- ♦ Food Service Director:
Mrs. Jennifer Zarrilli – 203-879-8145
- ♦ Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance –
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- ♦ 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: Mrs. Sara Tedesco

Tyrrell Athletics – 203 879-8173

- ♦ Director: Mrs. Sara Tedesco

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

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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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Wolcott Public Schools – School Calendar 2023-2024

July				
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

August (4/1)				
M	T	W	TH	F
31	1	2	3	4
7	8	9	10	11
14	15	16	17	18
21	22	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	

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

October (21/21)				
M	T	W	TH	F
2	3	4	5	6
8	10	11	12	13
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27
30	31			

November (18/18)				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	

December (16/16)				
M	T	W	TH	F
				1
4	5	6	7	8
11	12	13	14	15
18	19	20	21	22
25	26	27	28	29

January (21/21)				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26
29	30	31		

February (19/18)				
M	T	W	TH	F
			1	2
5	6	7	8	9
12	13	14	15	16
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	

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

April (17/17)				
M	T	W	TH	F
1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19
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29	30			

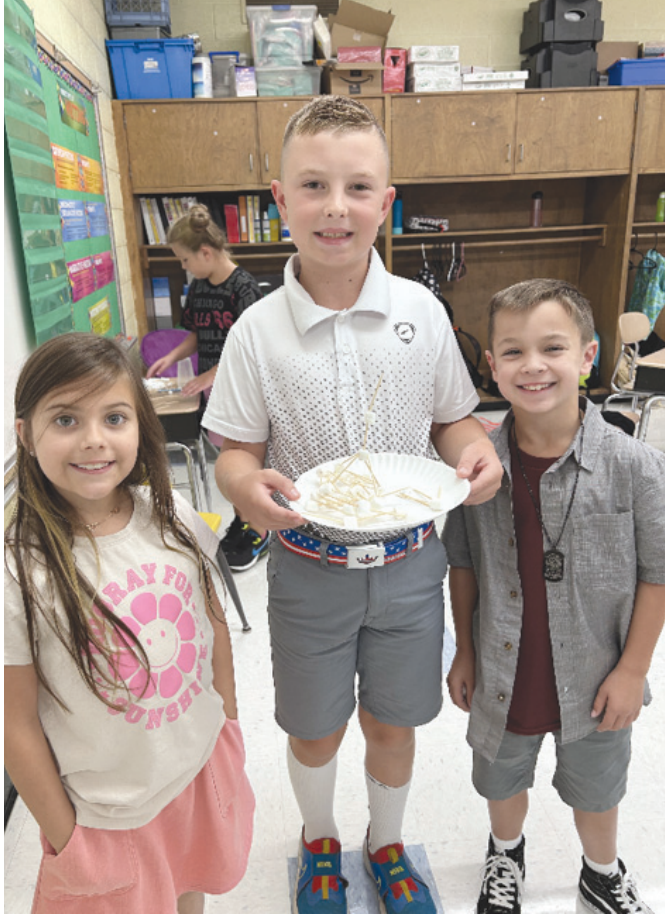
May (22/22)				
M	T	W	TH	F
		1	2	3
6	7	8	9	10
13	14	15	16	17
20	21	22	23	24
27	28	29	30	31

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.

Alcott School News



Fourth grade students had a blast working together to build the tallest tower using toothpicks and marshmallows.



*Welcome Back to School 2023!
Alcott All-Stars are back and ready
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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



Young artists painted the ocean shoreline at Wolcott Public Library's Kids' Paint Night, presented by local artist Suzanne Cipriano.



Wolcott Public Library

Adult Events for October

Wolcott Public Library Book Club

Wednesday, October 18th at 6:00PM

The WPL Book Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the upstairs reading room. The pick for October is *Our House* by Louise Candlish. There's a new family moving into 91 Trinity Avenue. Except it's Fiona's house and she didn't sell it. An absorbing plot with surprising twists until the final page. Multiple copies of the book are available for check-out at the library. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Movie Matinee

October 27th at 1:00PM

On the last Friday of each month a newly released movie will be shown in the upstairs reading room. Snacks are available for you to enjoy during the movie. The October movie will be announced.

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

October Every month a DIY craft kit is prepared for patrons to pick up and complete at home. These kits are easy to complete, no matter your skill level. Craft for October is to be announced.. Registration required so that we have enough kits available for the participants.

Past Lives and Reincarnation

October 21st at 12:30PM

Join author Sydney Sherman as she examines this fascinating topic.

Friends of the Library News

It's that time again — OUR OCTOBER BOOK SALE.

October 12 (Thursday) 12:00-6:00

October 13 (Friday) 12:00-6:00

October 14 (Saturday) 10:00-2:00

We have around 15,000 volumes available. There is a limited number of large print books. There are games, DVDs, CDs, and an assortment of record albums. There is a good selection of jig saw puzzles of all sizes.

Numerous donations from estate sales include collections of art books and gardening. There are books on Quilting and also the Beatles. Hardy Boys books are now available. There are many books for children from board books for our little people up to both fiction and non fiction for older kids and teens.

Our book pricing structure begins at 25 cents for certain small soft cover books and 50 cents for many children's volumes. Other pricing for adult fiction is \$1 for soft cover and \$2 for hard.

We even have new (2022 and 2023) volumes in pristine condition for only \$4. They are filed separately. Such a bargain!!

ALL SALES ARE CASH ONLY. NO CHECKS OR CREDIT CARDS.

If you would be willing to volunteer to presort books or actually work at the sale, please call Janet at 203-233-6407 or email wolcottfriends2019@yahoo.com. More hands make light work.

This event is a large one. Volunteers will be given directions on how to proceed.

We can't wait to see you at the sale. Come and bring family and friends. Our book sales are the main source of funding with which we provide many supplies and presentations during the year!

October Children's Events

1000 Books Before Kindergarten! Birth-Pre-K. Use our green tracker sheet to keep track of each book you read with your child. Earn a special sticker and a leaf on our tree for every 100 books read, a free book at 500 and 1000 books, and more!

WPL Nutmeg Challenge: Grades 2-12. Get your Nutmeg Punch-card from the library- Ms. Meghan or Ms. Joanna will punch a hole for each 2024 Nutmeg Nominee you read & give you a prize from the treasure chest. Read all the 2024 Nutmegs for your grade level, and you will be entered in the raffle in April.

Expecting? Ask about the Read to Your Baby Gift Bag! Wolcott residents expecting a baby may register to receive a free gift bag. Ask about it in the Children's Room!

Books & Babies: Wednesdays at 11 a.m. Ms. Joanna and Grey Squirrel present stories, songs and bounces for baby bookworms and their caregivers, followed by baby playtime. No registration required. Wolcott Public Library Children's Room. Dates: Every Wednesday!

Preschool Storytime: Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Read through the alphabet! Read, sing and craft about the letter of the week with Ms. Meghan and Grey Squirrel. Ages 2-5. No registration required. Dates: Oct 3, 10, 17 & 24.

Pajama Storytime: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. For kids Pre-K - 2nd grade and their families. Wear your favorite pajamas and join Miss Joanna for stories, songs, and crafts. No registration required. Dates: Oct 11, 18 & 25

Fire Safety presentation by Wolcott firefighters: Wednesday, 10/11 at 10:30 a.m. It's Fire Prevention Week! Visit the library to see a real fire truck and learn about fire safety from our local firefighters. No registration required.

For more information please call the library at 203.879.8110 or visit our website www.wolcottlibrary.org.



This August artist and presenter Nancy DeNicolo taught her Earthmind Nature Journaling class on mindful nature art for our adult patrons.



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Wolcott \$325,000 - Lovely 4 bedroom, 1.5 bath Ranch home features remodeled kitchen w/breakfast bar, spacious living room with fireplace, family room, screened in porch and a deck, above ground pool & a 2 car garage. *Ask for Linda Fercodini.*



Wolcott \$350,000 - Exceptional 3 BR home on a sprawling a 2.25 acre lot with its own walking trail; features remodeled kitchen with breakfast bar, formal DR, living room w/built-ins, master bedroom suite and 2 more bedrooms w/built-ins, hardwood floors, 2 car attached garage. *Ask for Linda Fercodini.*



Wolcott \$629,900 - New Construction Cont. Colonial to be built in the Preserve Sub-division w/access to Chestnut Hill Reservoir; 4 BRs, 2.5 baths, HW floors, kitchen w/ granite counters & island, FDR, great room w/propane FP; 2 story grand foyer, MBR w/full bath & walk-in closet, laundry room, seasonal water views, town sewers. *Ask for Lynn or JR.*



Bristol Condo \$195,900 - Well maintained, updated end unit townhouse in Divinity Gardens; oversized living room, spacious eat-in kitchen, 2 large bedrooms, partially finished basement with washer/dryer, rear deck overlooks private wooded area and stream, one car garage. *Ask for Ryan Bessette.*

RENTALS

WOLCOTT

\$1500/mo - Lakefront, 1st floor end unit condo; 4 rooms, 2 bedrooms, full bath; heat/hot water included. Offers beach area, serene views! No pets, no smoking.

WATERBURY

\$1100/mo - Second floor, 2 bedroom apartment in Town Plot; large kitchen w/separate pantry, dining room, living room, full bath & an extra storage closet. Large covered front porch & enclosed back porch.

\$1550/mo - 4 room, remodeled 2nd floor apartment; eat-in kitchen, living room with slider to back deck, 2 bedrooms, each with plenty of natural light & composite flooring, laundry area, updated bath with new vanity & beautifully tiled shower.

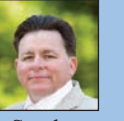
\$1800/mo - Remodeled 2nd floor apartment; 4 BRs, 2 full baths, spacious open floor plan, recessed lighting & new vinyl plank flooring. Remodeled kitchen, stainless steel appliances, dining room/living room area with ceiling fan. No smoking, no pets.



Lucienne
Marsella



Patricia
Monnerat



Stephen
Monnerat



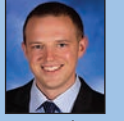
Linda
Norman



Ken
Reeder

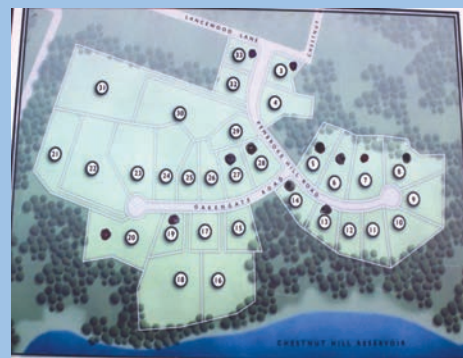


Lynn
Lombardi



Derek
Turbacuski

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 & u/g utilities available.

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

\$416,400 - Developers! Builders! 52.05acre site with close proximity to I-84, Route 322 and views of Lily Lake. City sewers available.

\$435,000 - Combined lot package of 55.37 acres. 39.34 acres of farmland can be a gentleman's farm or when combined with the 16.97 acre property may be sub-divided 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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