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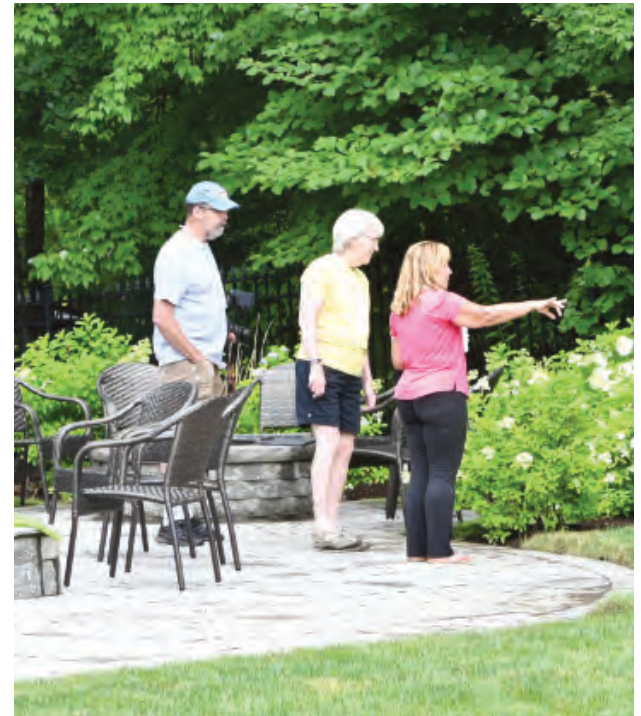
The Cheshire Chamber of Commerce hosted a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, July 12th to welcome five new businesses to the Chamber. Chamber members, guests and representatives from the town gathered at the location at 2055 Meriden Road to welcome the new businesses. Included in the ceremony were: Bartlett Contracting, CT Kitchen Cabinets, Bright Start Early Learning Center, Dippin and Poppin, and Johanna S. Furgalack, CPA. Guests were able to tour the different spaces and learn about their business. The Chamber appreciates the time spent by all to join the celebration and welcomes these new members to our business community!



Congratulations Officer Mitchell Lanza on your graduation from the Hartford Police Academy. We are so proud of you! May God watch over you and always keep you safe.
Love Mom, Dad, Matthew & Melanie



A Wolcott landmark and gathering place has changed hands after 54 years of ownership by Bill Kiazim, of Bill & Sam's Diner. The new owner, Baltazarr "Gaspar" Perez, shown here on the left, accepts the ceremonial exchange of the grill spatula from Bill. Gaspar intends to keep the diner as a family run business with no immediate changes taking place. Photography by Picard



The Wolcott Historical Society sponsored their annual Garden Tour on July 13th. The Dolans of Pembroke Hill Rd. were one of the properties participating this year. In this photo, Mrs. Dolan provided a guided tour of her gardens to some visitors who signed up for the tours. Photography by Picard

Wolcott Country Fair

August 9th, 10th & 11th

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- Explore our upcoming coalition meeting schedule
- Learn about our events
- Access valuable resources and support services

Check it out today and let us know what you think! Your feedback is invaluable to us as we continue to serve and support the Wolcott community.

We invite you to our coalition meetings this year. All meetings are held at Wolcott Library starting at 12pm and lunch is provided.

- September 13
- November 8
- January 10
- March 14
- May 9

ATTENTION

Wolcott High School's Graduating Classes from 1962, '63, '64 & '65

A reunion will be held on Saturday, September 21st at East Street Eatery from 5:30 to 9:30PM. A buffet dinner will be served for \$40/ person. Make checks payable to Nancy (Fercodini) Addressio and mail them to her at 28 Hampshire Drive, Wolcott, CT 06716 before Sept. 4th.

If you have questions about this event contact
 Flo Goodman at fjgtdg@gmail.com; Carol Genova at cagenova7@aol.com;
 Georgian Farina at ctrlady@comcast.NET; Susan Scully12@aol.com;
 or Marlene Madzek at mar.madzek@frontier.com

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Leo, July 23rd - August 22nd
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Livia Jane Plantier - August 3rd
Bob Moore - August 17th

Virgo, August 23rd - August 26th
"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 everything for the first time.

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

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SUN 18	Kathy Thompson Band 6:00 pm at Town Green
SUN SEPT 8	MARC BERGER MUSIC 5:00 pm at Peterson Park

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August 4th- Sunday

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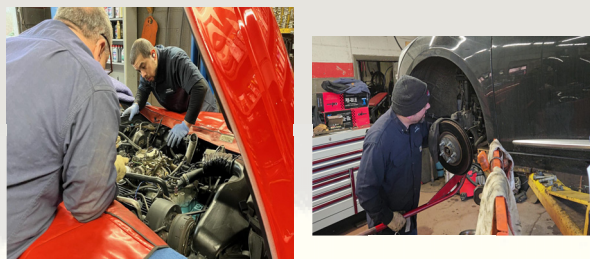
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MAYOR'S CORNER

August 2024

I hope you are all enjoying the hot 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.

We are asking all of our residents to consider signing up for the "Town of Wolcott Text Notification System", signing up will allow you to receive important messages from the Town, regarding vaccine clinics, 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.

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.

Thank you for your continued patience with the roadwork throughout town.

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.

Sincerely,

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A Minute with the Clerk

by Karen Mowad, MCTC, MMC



For Registered Republicans:

There will be a primary held on August 13, 2024, for United States Senator. This will be held from 6:00AM to 8:00PM at your regular polling location.

Early Voting at Town Hall:

- August 05, 2024 - 10:00AM to 6:00PM
- August 06, 2024 - 8:00AM to 8:00PM
- August 07, 2024 - 10:00AM to 6:00PM
- August 08, 2024 - 8:00AM to 8:00PM
- August 09, 2024 - 10:00AM to 6:00PM
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- 1. Toothache** - Rinse the mouth with warm water. Use dental floss to remove any trapped food. Apply a cold compress to reduce swelling if needed. Avoid giving aspirin, though Advil and Tylenol are fine. Then call your dentist.
- 2. Knocked Out Tooth** - For a permanent tooth, rinse it gently without scrubbing, and try to reinsert it fully into the socket. If this isn't possible, place it in milk or a tooth preservation product and get to a dentist immediately. Time is of the essence if the body is going to accept the tooth back into place and heal. For a baby tooth, DO NOT reinsert it. Immediately call your dentist.
- 3. Chipped or Fractured Tooth** - Rinse the mouth with warm water. Save any pieces of the tooth. Apply a cold compress to the face to reduce swelling. Use gauze to stop any bleeding. Then call your dentist.
- 4. Bitten Tongue or Lip** - Clean the area with water. Hold pressure against the bleeding area for 2-3 full minutes and repeat holding pressure until the bleeding stops. If the bleeding doesn't stop within 40-60 minutes, or if the cut looks concerning, seek medical attention.
- 5. Tooth Abscess** - Rinse the mouth with a mild saltwater solution to help draw out infection. Apply a cold compress for pain and swelling. You can give Advil or Tylenol as needed. Then call your dentist.

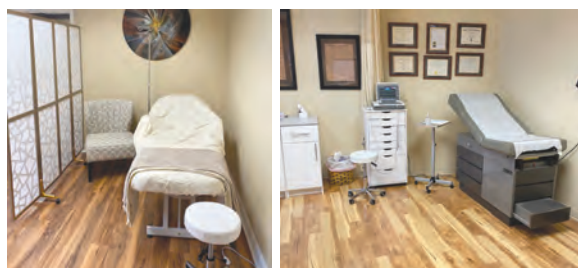
It's important to remain calm and reassure the child while administering first aid. Seeking prompt dental care is crucial for proper treatment and to prevent further complications. Let's hope for a relaxing and enjoyable summer without the need to see the dentist.

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Website: WolcottFair.com • Facebook: [Wolcott Country Fair](https://www.facebook.com/WolcottCountryFair)
Phone Number: 203-879-5466 (During the Fair)

Ladies Day Shooting Day

Saturday, September 21
8:30AM - 2:30PM

Rain Date: Sunday, September 22
8:30AM - 2:30PM

920 Woodtick Road, Wolcott, Connecticut

Wolcott Landowners will be hosting a fun filled "Ladies Only" shooting day where women ages 12 and older can try firearms and archery shooting. No experience needed. All equipment will be provided. NRA certified instructors will ensure you shoot safely and learn basic shooting techniques.

Attendees receive a tee shirt and lunch. This event is free but limited to the first 40 registrants. Sign up by calling the club at 203-879-9976. Leave your name, tee shirt size and a contact number. **Registration deadline is August 23.**

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Wolcott Commission for Individuals with Special Needs

Do you have a loved one who resides in Wolcott and has special needs? The Wolcott Commission for Individuals with Special Needs hosts a variety of events throughout the year that they may be interested in!



Attendees had a blast at the Bristol Blues game on July 8th

If you're interested in joining our mailing list to receive flyers for our monthly recreation events contact Gloria Clair (203) 558-0514

THE WOLCOTT SPECIAL GAMES HAS A NEW DATE FOR 2024!
September 21, 2024
at Woodtick Recreation

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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 2024 Little Miss and Mr. Wolcott. Voting will take place at the Lion's Club Fair August 9th to the 11th at the Junior Women's Club of Wolcott booth.

Voting is tabulated by an independent auditor. 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 lighting the Christmas tree on the town green, marching in the BAW and the Wolcott Memorial Day 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 "21st" Annual Golf Tournament which was held on Sunday, June 23, 2024 at Farmingbury Hills Golf Course. Sincere thanks to our Tee sponsors: Advanced Dermatology, Advanced Physical Therapy, American Cleaning & Maintenance, Anthony's Pizza, Artie's Auto Body, Bartlett Construction, Best Oil, Dennis Garafola Carpentry, Dental Health Assoc, Lakewood Auto Body, M&M Mechanical, Pat's IGA, Pool Water Pat, Pure Essence Center, RTC Painting & Contracting, Schmidt Electric, St. Mary's Hospital, Tynan & Iannone, Walsh's, Wolcott Community News, Wolcott Concrete Construction, Wolcott Lion's, Wolcott Pizza, Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance, Wound Care, and Xtreme Cheer. With the generous support of our families, friends, and 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; Annual Tree Lighting on the Green, Toys for Tots & Teens, Little Miss & Mr. Wolcott, Fuel Assistance Fund, Red Cross Blood Drive, High School Scholarships, Veterans Day Ceremony, Meet the Candidates, Wolcott Ambulance, Wolcott Food Bank and the Women's Shelter to name a few.

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.

**Republican Primary
for U.S. Senator
Tuesday, August 13th
6am-8pm at your regular polling location**

EARLY VOTING SCHEDULE

*All Early Voting will take place at WOLCOTT TOWN HALL
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DATE	DAY	TIME
August 5th	Monday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
August 6th	Tuesday	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
August 7th	Wednesday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
August 8th	Thursday	8:00 AM - 8:00 PM
August 9th	Friday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
August 10th	Saturday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM
August 11th	Sunday	10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

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Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance News



Annual Scholarship Winners

Congratulations to this year's Wolcott High School seniors who received scholarships from Wolcott Ambulance. They are **Alexis Brill Konitshek** (Ronald H. Bruneau scholarship); **Charles Langlais** (Captain Mary Ostrander scholarship) and **Juliana Beloin** (Lieutenant James Marcelynas scholarship) Each of these scholarships are given in memory of three WVAA Officers that left a legacy of service in our community! Mr. Bruneau was a Charter Member & longtime Treasurer who died in 2007 from a Line of Duty illness contracted while volunteering with WVAA as an EMT. Captain Ostrander was also a Charter Member, our first female Captain, and volunteered her time for ten years. Lieutenant Marcelynas began volunteering with us as an EMT when he was a High School student and dedicated more than ten years to our organization. He went on to become a Paramedic, Registered Nurse, Chief Flight Nurse with LifeStar and Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist before being tragically killed in an automobile accident in 2017.

Thank you to all the students that applied for this year's Scholarships and Congratulations to the recipients!

Ambulance Facility Update

When you drive by 1300 Woodtick Road, you can see the progress continuing with the framed-out addition on the front of the old church! We look forward to moving in and welcoming all of you to visit sometime in December! In the meantime, please remember to use the 48 Todd Road location for all unscheduled or emergency visits until then.

Emergency Medical Technician Class

Our next class will run from September 4, 2024, until February 26, 2025. It will take place Mondays & Wednesdays from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM and one Saturday per month from 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM. Go to www.wolcottambulance.com and click on the "EMT COURSES" tab for more information or to register.

Community Courses

Would you like to participate in 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 – Tuesday August 6, 2024, 6pm - 8pm (free of charge)
- BLS Healthcare Provider CPR - Tuesday, August 20, 2024, 6pm - 9pm (\$80.00 per person)
- Community Narcan Training - learn to identify an overdose emergency, respond, and administer naloxone – Tuesday, August 13, 2024, 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.

Ambulance Statistics

During the month of June, WVAA responded to 163 calls for assistance.

Membership

Are you certified as an EMT or licensed as a Paramedic in Connecticut? We are looking for good people to become part of our high-quality team. We have volunteers with experience levels ranging from a few months to over forty years! Please contact us or download an application located on the "Volunteer Opportunities" tab of our website.

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Wolcott Grange #173

by Karen Mowad



Last month we welcomed 5 new amazing members into our Grange family. We discussed reorganization and upcoming projects and fundraisers over friendly introductions. Elizabeth Jensen came from Redding to officially swear our new members in.

We are currently raising funds for the electrical work that was recently completed. We raised \$92.50 from selling duck tickets and \$170 from our clothing collection shed.

Our next meeting will take place on August 30, 2024, at 6pm at 313 Boundline Road, Wolcott.

A Call for Civility



by State Senator Rob Sampson, 16th District & State Representative Gale Mastrofrancesco, Representing Wolcott & Southington

How far has our country strayed from respecting the opinions of others? Have people forgotten the golden rule? Or that we are neighbors with equal rights to our opinions? The recent assassination attempt on former President Trump is being described as a wake-up call for many.

Not for us. Serving in the state legislature for a few years has already given us a clear understanding of just how divided the country has become. When it comes to people who are actively engaged in politics, many have chosen their camp, their news networks, their trusted sources. While most have simply siloed themselves, there are those that cannot wait to engage.

Engagement can and should be a good thing. In fact, if there is a clear and identifiable problem leading to our divided nation, it is a failure to communicate, to understand, or even care to understand where others are coming from, and why they hold the views they do.

It's the type of engagement that matters. For outspoken conservatives like us, we can't wait to find new ways to connect. That's what politics is about. It's selling your ideas, your worldview, and making the case why our path is the better one.

For others, the outlet has become hate and violence, and it needs to stop.

Both political parties certainly have their platforms and their ideas but in this modern political era, the polarization seems much more focused on people and personalities, icons if you will, than on policy and ideas.

Former President Trump is the textbook example of this. It's remarkable just how polarizing a figure he has become. Without exaggeration, people either love him or hate him. Even more fascinating for political wonks like us is to contemplate just how much people support and approve of Trump's policies and results, while simultaneously disliking him for his demeanor.

Some of that is clearly self-inflicted, but how much is really a result of media and news agencies being pumped with millions of dollars designed to shape our views?

The major news networks are engaging in propaganda these days, not news, and American consumers have become content to absorb the "facts" that are offered. Sadly, many of those "facts" go unchecked and unchallenged.

This is, at least in part, how Democrats effectively defeated Trump in 2020. They convinced a significant part of the nation that Trump is a racist, describing white supremacists as "good people" in Charlotte, and that he colluded with the Russians to steal the 2016 election, among a hundred other distortions and mistruths.

So many people, even today, still believe these demonstrably false and divisive lies. We too have been on the receiving end of similar distortions, and even the threats of violence that they sometimes manifest.

No one is perfect but both of us have worked hard to do politics the right way, to be civil, to be clear in our positions, to be unafraid to defend them and debate them, if necessary, to listen, and even to change on occasion.

Most importantly, we are committed to honoring our unique and amazing American system of representation. This means we treat our constituents as our focus and guide, and while we cannot agree with everyone all the time, we always offer civility and respect.

In recent years, it has become difficult to encourage good candidates to run. The best people often say no. Who can blame them? Being a "politician" has become an insult in most circles. The result is more truly bad politicians who do not show respect, or worse, those that believe they were elected to be the boss of others.

Thankfully, former President Trump survived the attempt on his life, but the actions of the gunman took the life of an innocent father who attended the rally simply to support his political candidate. Two other people were seriously injured in the shooting, due to the incomprehensible actions of a 20-year-old with hate in his heart.

It will take time for authorities to uncover the gunman's motive, details of his online activity, and how he gained access to the event. However, this part is clear. This individual tragically chose to express his ideological differences through violence.

Calls for unity are everywhere, and should be applauded, but they are also naïve. People who disagree so markedly

are not going to suddenly join hands. What they can do, however, is debate.

Ironically, arguing policy views and debating ideas is the very thing that would diminish hatred – and the potential for violence.

We have seen it in our own political campaigns. Our opponents often make personal attacks, and we respond politely with facts and policy – and respect. The result has been positive for us both and has granted us the chance to continue to serve.

We want to take this moment to ask our neighbors to help restore a small bit of American culture and consider setting an example for others.

Disagreements have always existed in politics, but recently, the tone of those differences has taken on a meaner edge. After the attempted assassination of the former president, cruel comments and images appeared online with lightning speed – even from candidates running for office.

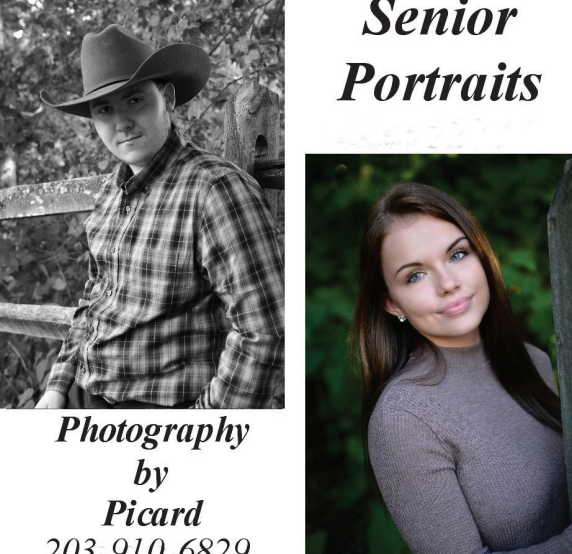
Regardless of party, hoping for a person's demise at the hands of a sniper's bullet is reprehensible.

The name-calling, the insults, the quick calls for violence, so much of the rhetoric has gotten out of hand, particularly online. We urge everyone who comments or publishes on social media to pause and consider their words before hitting the enter key. The person on the other side of the computer screen or cell phone is a living person, with family, friends, and loved ones.

Remember that a key ingredient, the most important, of American freedom is the right to your own ideas, views, and words. Recognizing the right of others to theirs should be celebrated, even when we disagree.

These are our neighbors, the people we see at the grocery store, the folks sitting next to us in traffic. Just because our political philosophies differ, it does not make us sworn enemies. There is so much that we can agree on for the good of our state and the nation. It starts with restoring respect for the Golden Rule. Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

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Around Town Photography by Roger Picard



Our photographer captured this image of an Eastern Blue Bird recently on his deck. They are common in eastern North America and can be found as far south as Nicaragua. They are known for their bright plumage, sweet song and use of nest boxes.



During your drives around town this summer you may notice an explosion of color and blooms on hydrangeas in people's yards. Experts say the mild winter of 2023-2024 and the ideal weather conditions of spring and summer has contributed to the abundance of blooms and successful plants. Enjoy it while it lasts.



The gardens and vegetation of the Muccino residence on Shelton Ave. was on full display during the annual Garden Tour sponsored by the Wolcott Historical Society. In this photo Mrs. Muccino provides a guided tour in her backyard to some visitors.



The Wolcott Police Department held a promotion ceremony recently in which four officers received promotions. From left to right, Sgt. Alex Talbot, Sgt. Justin Martella, Lt. Jeff Reichard, and Dep. Chief Sara Carrillo. Police Chief Ed Stephens, at the podium, needed to fill vacancies within the supervisory staff with recent retirements and was able to appoint a new Deputy Chief with his budget approval from the Town Council.



The band Centerline performed at Peterson Park on July 7th in front of a light crowd thanks to the scorching heat and humidity that probably kept people away. Those that were in attendance enjoyed the music and what little shade was available.



This flock of geese gathered on the grass and shores of the Woodtick Recreation Swimming Area recently. The grass was littered with their droppings to the point where it was almost impossible to walk without stepping in it. Their presence has also contaminated the water where swimming occurs.

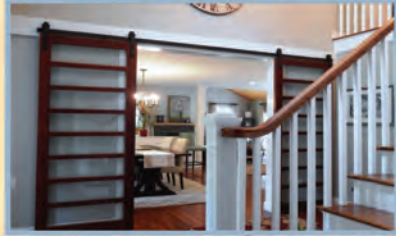


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WOLCOTT \$94,500 — Build your dream home in this quiet subdivision. There are deed restrictions and plan approval. Don't miss this opportunity to build in this subdivision!



BRISTOL \$445,000 — This Colonial home features four spacious bedrooms and two full baths. The huge eat-in kitchen boasts granite countertops and pristine white cabinets. The formal dining room and two living rooms offer plenty of space for both relaxation and entertaining. The loft overlooks the family room with its impressive cathedral ceilings, creating a perfect area for hosting gatherings. The master bedroom includes a walk-in closet. Enjoy the patio overlooking a private yard. Don't miss out on the opportunity to this your dream home!



WATERBURY \$419,900 — Freshly painted charming split-level home in the Bunker Hill neighborhood. This property boasts a beautifully maintained flat yard and readiness for EV charging, solar panels, and a generator. The house features a total 4 spacious bedrooms (including lower level), 3 full bathrooms, and central A/C. Enjoy formal dining in the elegant dining room, relax by the fireplace in the cozy living room, and cook to your heart's content in the large eat-in kitchen. The heated 2-car garage and an electrified shed offer extra convenience and storage. The lower level includes a "full in-law apartment" complete with its own kitchen, full bath, bedroom, and living room with a slider leading to a private backyard. This home is perfect for extended family living or as a potential rental opportunity.



WATERBURY \$289,000 — This beautiful 3 bedroom home was completely gutted and rebuilt from top to bottom just 15 years ago with a new roof, windows, doors, plumbing, and a new electrical system, floors, sheetrock, and all finishes throughout the house including new kitchen and bathrooms making it move-in ready with nothing left to do. The spacious basement, completely finished only 5 years ago, adds valuable living space perfect for entertainment or relaxation. This property is situated in a tranquil neighborhood. Don't miss the opportunity to make this exceptional home yours!



WATERBURY \$310,000 — This unique Cape has been designed to accommodate a main level primary bedroom suite with large closet and full luxurious bath. Kitchen with cherry cabinetry, breakfast bar area, ceramic travertine flooring & access to lower level. Dining room with built-in hutch, living room w/gas FP & built-in's. Bedroom with half bath & laundry room & half bath round out the main floor. Upper level enjoys an oversized bedroom closet storage, full bath w/stall shower & skylight. Remodeled lower level is complete w/full bath, luxury vinyl plank flooring, beautiful sink, fridge & cabinetry, bedroom, living room/family room for potential in-law accommodations.



WATERBURY \$320,000 — This one owner single family home, while in need of some updating touches, the property boasts a solid structure. The home is waiting for your personal touches and is nestled in a desirable neighborhood known for its community spirit. This potential home is filled with endless possibilities. With sizeable rooms and a generous backyard, there's ample space for a family or entertaining guests.



WATERBURY \$323,900 — Expanded ranch in the Bunker Hill area with a very bright kitchen with tons of natural light from large sky light, cook top and double ovens made for great cooking. Kitchen flows into generous size family room. There is also a formal living room with wood burning fireplace, dining room with built-in and a conveniently located half bath at this end of the home. Three generous sized bedrooms with a full bath. Central air, hardwood flooring and an oversized garage that leads to full basement with plenty of storage area.



THOMASTON \$525,000 — Beautiful Colonial style home offers 4 Bedrooms and 3.5 baths in move-in condition. Stunning tobacco road teak hardwood floors, eat in kitchen with SS appliances and granite countertops. Spacious family room with gas fireplace. Master bedroom has a walk in closet and full bath. Finished room above the garage adds additional square footage and could be a 4th bedroom, great room, office or possible in law. Wonderful back yard with above ground pool covered gazebo. 2 car garage. Subject to seller finding and closing on home of choice.



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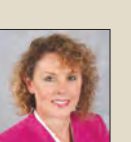
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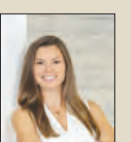
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- Aug 28th Distribution Day 8:30AM to 11AM

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“Thank You”

The volunteers at the pantry would like to say ‘Thank You’ to ‘Fulton Park Gardens in Waterbury, CT. The gardeners have been dropping off produce recently. We and our clients appreciate it.

Reminders

We have modified our distribution hours of operation beginning with our Aug 14th distribution. We will be operating between the hours of 08:30AM and 11:00AM.

We will be running our annual ‘Fill the Gazebo’ event this year on Sat., September 14th. We will have volunteers between the hours of 10AM – 2PM ready to accept donations at the Town Green, and hopefully Pat’s & Walsh’s parking lots. We are looking forward to meeting everyone that can stop by!

Help us out:

- Please check the dates on any food donations and eliminate the expired ones.
- Please no ‘Perishable Items’ in the 24/7 drop-off box. We hate having to dispose of those items since we cannot determine how long they have been in the drop-off box.

About Us

If you or someone you know needs 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 (24/7) or stop in on Monday and Tuesday between 8:30AM and 10:30AM and say hello!

Local organizations (Pat’s, Walsh’s, Post Office, and the Wolcott Library) 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.

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ON STAGE SATURDAY NIGHT

We Are His	4:00PM - 5:00PM
The Glamor Girls Band	5:30PM - 6:45PM
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Moreover, summer will find the scouts meeting to plan their upcoming year. Topics they will consider include merit badges to undertake, new skills to acquire, camping locations to visit, hikes to challenge themselves and outings to build camaraderie and team spirit.

For more information on scouting or to have the Troop help out at your event, please email boyscouttroop230ct@aol.com.

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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TOWN OF WOLCOTT REFERENDUM
November 5, 2024

Take notice that the proposed amendments to the Wolcott Town Charter, which will be placed on the November 5, 2024, ballots, for the electors of the Town of Wolcott to approve or to not approve, are listed below. The referendum is to take place on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. at all voting districts. The ballot question relating to the proposed amendments to the Charter will appear as follows:

“SHALL THE TOWN OF WOLCOTT CHARTER BE AMENDED AS PROVIDED IN THE CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION'S FINAL REPORT DATED MAY 22, 2024, TO BECOME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025? YES NO”

2024 CHARTER REVISIONS FOR PUBLICATION
Charter Revision Commission’s additions in bold and deletions in brackets.
This is for subsections changed only.

SEC. 202. ELECTIVE OFFICERS.

(a) At each municipal election there shall be elected nine (9) members of the Town Council hereinafter referred to as the Council. There shall be three (3) members of the Council elected from each of the three (3) voting districts. Each political party shall nominate two (2) candidates from each of the three (3) districts. This shall not preclude an individual from running in his district as provided in General Statutes. The three (3) candidates having the largest number of votes from each of the three districts will serve on the Council. All electors in the Town will be eligible to vote for two (2) candidates in each district. [The maximum number of members, as defined by Section 402 of this Charter of the same political party shall serve on any elected Board, Commission, or the Council and] No more than six (6) members of the Council shall be of the same political party, provided further however, that no more than 2 members of the same political party shall serve on the Council from any single district. For the purposes of this section, political party [is defined as the party of endorsement] shall be determined in the same manner as set forth in General Statutes § 9-167a (g), as may be amended.

(e) All elective officers shall hold office until their successors have been chosen and qualified. All elective offices, with the exception of the Mayor, Council, Town Clerk, Board of Education, and Registrars of Voters, shall take office on the first Monday following election. The Town Council shall take office as herein provided. The Town Clerk and Registrars of Voters shall take office in accordance with General Statutes. The Board of Education shall take office within seven (7) days following election.

SEC. 302. CHAIRMAN

(a) The Council shall meet at [8:00] 7:00 P.M. on the second Wednesday following its election to organize and to elect a Chairman and a Vice-Chairman. This will be the first order of business. The Mayor will preside, without vote, over the Council until this order of business is completed. The Chairman of the Council shall have a regular vote only. The Chairman shall preside over all meetings of the Council and perform such other duties consistent with his or her office as may be imposed by the Council. Unless otherwise specified herein, during his or her absence or disability, his or her duties shall be performed by the member of the Council chosen by the Council as Vice-Chairman. The Chairman of the Council is an ex-officio member, without vote, of all Legislative Committees. The Town Council shall make no contracts, verbal or written, from the date of the election, until the successor council has been sworn in.

SEC. 402. MINORITY REPRESENTATION. (a) Minority representation on all boards, commissions, committees, departments, or similar bodies, whether elective or appointive shall be in accordance with the following table:

Table with 2 columns: Total Membership, Maximum Number of Members of the Same Political Party. Rows range from 3 to 9.

[(a)] (b) Those boards, commissions, committees, departments, or similar bodies, whether elective or appointive with more than nine (9) members shall have no more than 2/3 of their members from the same political party.

[(b)] (c) Vacancies in appointed positions shall be posted on the Town website for a minimum of five days prior to the appointing authority taking action on any final appointments. Any person affiliated with a party or not so affiliated shall have the ability to submit their name to the appointing authority. The appointing authority shall give due consideration to the recommendations of the major political parties before final appointments are made.

(d) General Statutes § 9-167a and all of its parts, as may be amended, shall apply to all boards, commissions, committees, departments, or similar bodies, whether elective or appointive, with respect to minority representation, excepting therefrom, however, the Town Council which shall be governed in accordance with Sec. 202 of this Charter. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in applying the minority representation rule contained in Sec. 202 to the Town Council, political party shall be determined in the same manner as set forth in Connecticut General Statutes § 9-167a (g), as may be amended.

SEC. 404. LIBRARY BOARD OF [DIRECTORS] TRUSTEES. The Town Council shall appoint a Library Board of [Directors] Trustees to consist of [seven (7)] nine (9) electors of the Town, not more than [four (4)] five (5) of whom shall belong to any one political party. The Library Board of [Directors] Trustees shall appoint the Town Librarian and library employees and carry out all other duties as prescribed by General Statutes and Town Ordinance. Terms of office shall be consistent with this Charter.

SEC. 408. CHIEF OF POLICE.

(e) The police chief shall submit to the Town Council a promotion policy and organizational chart for approval within three months of ratification of this charter. No promotions may be made without a current Council approved promotion policy and organizational chart in place. Promotions within the Police Department shall be made according to the approved promotion policy and organizational chart. All promotions recommended by the police chief in accordance with the approved promotion policy and organizational chart shall be submitted to the Mayor [and the Town Council] for final approval. Subsequent revisions to the Police Department promotion policy and organizational chart must be submitted to the Town Council for approval.

[(A) CIVILIAN POLICE REVIEW BOARD

(a) General: There shall be a Civilian Police Review Board (CPRB), which will receive, investigate and make appropriate recommendations to the Mayor and Chief of Police of the Town of Wolcott regarding complaints of citizens not excluding employees of the Police Department, against members of the Wolcott Police Department and/or civilian employees thereof.

(b) Powers and Duties of Board: The CPRB shall be notified by the Mayor’s Office, the Chief of Police and or any individual member of CPRB of any and all complaints against members of the Wolcott Police Department and/or civilian employees thereof whether such complaints be written, oral or anonymous.

The CPRB shall be provided with all police documents, reports, electronic transmission, videotape and any other transcriptions related to any civilian complaint. (The Chief of Police may take appropriate actions to maintain the security of police documents, reports, electronic transmissions and videotape reviewed by CPRB) The CPRB may request the Chief of Police conduct appropriate internal affairs investigations of serious complaints against members or civilian employees of the police department. The CPRB shall review the conclusions of any internal affairs investigation of a complaint prior to any disciplinary action being taken and recommend further investigation to the Chief of Police if appropriate. The CPRB may request written statements made under oath through the Chief of Police from any member or civilian employee of the department and of the complainant in order to fully investigate any complaint. The CPRB shall make a written report of their investigation and findings and their

recommendation as to discipline to be taken if any regarding all complaints, when appropriate, to the Mayor and Chief of Police, however, the CPRB shall not have authority to impose discipline. The Chief of Police and/or Mayor, where appropriate, shall make the decision regarding discipline. The Chief of Police and/or Mayor shall explain his or her disciplinary action in writing for each complaint if different from the recommendation of the CPRB.

(c) The Civilian Police Review Board shall consist of five members, no more than three of whom shall be members of the same political party.

(i) Town Council Representative: One Town Council member shall serve as a liaison to the CPRB.

(ii) Appointments; term of office. No later than January 1, 2011, the Mayor with Town Council approval shall appoint five (5) members for a term of two (2) years and thereafter, in accordance with Section 401.

(iii) No Compensation. Members shall serve without compensation.

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(iv) Quorum and voting requirements. Three members shall constitute a quorum and a concurrent vote of no fewer than three members shall be necessary for the transaction of business.

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(vi) Bylaws. The Board shall have the power to adopt its own bylaws for the conduct of its business accordance with the provisions of this code.]

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SEC.907. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Revised Charter shall take effect on January 1, [2022] **2025**.

The full text of the proposed Charter may be examined and copies may be obtained from the Town Clerk's Office at Wolcott Town Hall, 10 Kenea Avenue, Wolcott, CT, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Wednesday; Thursdays 8:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Fridays 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. A copy shall be mailed to any person requesting one from the Town Clerk's Office. The full text of the proposed Charter is also posted on the Town of Wolcott website at www.wolcottct.org

Dated at Wolcott, CT August 1, 2024

Rachel Wisler, Chairman, Wolcott Town Council

Classifieds

Announcements

We Moved! Audibert, Bissonnette & Company, LLC has moved to 1615 Wolcott Rd., Wolcott, CT. We are always interested in hiring CPA's and Bookkeepers with public accounting experience. 203-879-4329

Electric Contractors

RAC Electric: Licensed and Insured, Employs graduates from CT technical high school. Have newly graduated students work under supervision of RAC electric at reduced rate. Generators • Solar • New or Upgraded Services • Security Lighting • Security Cameras
All Electrical Installations Wolcott CT 203-592-3116



For Rent

Vacation condo for rent in Surfside Beach, S.C. 2 bdrm 2 bath, beautiful outdoor pool, beautiful area, and just minutes to myrtle beach and to all area attractions and ocean beaches. \$875.00/week. All the comforts of home if interested please contact robin @ 203-695-2395.

Help Wanted

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

Home/Office Cleaning

Nati Cleaning Great job houses and offices
Call 203.519.2553.

Pressure Washing

Pressure Washing: Houses, Decks, Sidewalks, Patios, Fences. Fully Insured. Call Joe for a free estimate 203-704-0185.

Remodeling Contractors

Albert's Home Repair LLC: All types of repairs & remodeling. Kitchens, Bathrooms, Decks, Windows, Doors, Siding, Floors, Snowplowing and more. Insured #HIC-0623837. Call Dave Albert @203-879-4731.

Stump Removal

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



Wolcott Public Library

Wolcott Public Library Book Club
Wednesday, August 21st at 6:00PM

The WPL Book Club meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the upstairs reading room. The book chosen for August is *Something in the Water* by Catherine Steadman. A shocking discovery on a honeymoon in paradise changes the lives of a picture perfect couple in this taut psychological thriller. Copies of this book are available for check-out at the library.

Movie Matinee

Friday, August 30th 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 August movie title 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.

Henna

Thursday, August 8th at 5:00PM

Call the library for more information on this program. Summer Reading Program for Adults Participate in adult summer reading at the Wolcott Public Library. This year's theme is "Read, Renew, Repeat!" Earn thematic animal badges by keeping a reading log and completing specific challenges. You will also win points for the end-of-program raffle. Join the summer fun by picking up your reading log and instructions. Check the library website in the meantime, as more detailed information will be available. Summer Reading at the Wolcott Public Library: Read, Renew, Repeat June 15 - August 10 Summer Reading 2024 is right around the corner, and we have planned many special activities (and prizes!) to keep patrons of all ages engaged throughout the summer. This year's theme is "Read, Renew, Repeat" so many of our activities include a recycling or conservation theme. Visit our website for our full schedule of events including a visit from the Poop Museum, an Upcycled Drum Circle, and Mr. Magic. Week 1 BINGO sheets for kids (entering kindergarten- 5th grade) and teens (entering grades 6-12) will be released 6/14 on our website and at wolcottlibrary.org. Read and complete fun activities to earn brag tags and a raffle entry, then check in every week for a new BINGO sheet. Kid prizes are in the library display case and will be raffled off at the end of the summer. Teen prizes are raffled off weekly at Teen Takeover (Tuesdays at 4:30). You are never too young or too old for Summer Reading. Our Books and Bubbles program is available for Birth- Pre-K to encourage literacy and learning.

Wolcott students can borrow their assigned summer reading books from the library. Our staff members are happy to help you find what you are looking for! The library has a new full time digital navigator. Please refer to our website for digital literacy programs that are being offered. Visit our website to see all of our upcoming events for children, teens and adults. www.wolcottlibrary.org or call the library at 203-879-8110. Registration is required for most programs.



Local artist Suzanne Cipriano guides children and teens as they create art using plastic bottle caps at the Wolcott Public Library.

Friends of the Wolcott Library

August is here and school vacation time is half over. Here are some suggestions for activities.

FREE Copernican Observatory and Planetarium at Central Connecticut State University, 1615 Stanley St. New Britain 06050. public observing of the night sky (weather permitting) Call Carol Ivers at 203-675-4245,

The following sites are also **FREE** but they require passes. Request them at the library desk, Mattatuck Museum. 144 West Main St. Waterbury 203-753-0381 free for 2 adults and their children.

New Britain Museum of American Art 56 Lexington St. New Britain 860-229-0257 free admission for 4 people (One adult must accompany children under 16)

Wadsworth Atheneum of Art 600 Main St. Hartford 860-278-2670 free admission for 4 adults and youth 17 and under.

Barker Character Comic and Cartoon Museum 1188 Highland Ave B Cheshire 06410, 203-699-3822 free while supplies last.

Connecticut Science Center 250 Columbus Blvd. Hartford 860-520-2160 20% off general admission for up to 4 people a perfect place for all ages.

NEW PASS PEZ Visitor Center 35 Prindle Hill Rd. Orange 203-298-0201 valid for up to 4 general admissions. Are you a collector of these miniature candy containers? Many folks are!

LAST BUT DEFINITELY NOT LEAST The passes for Beardsley Zoo in Bridgeport are probably our most requested. Ask for them early so you won't be disappointed.

Frequently asked questions about passes: Who can get a pass? Any CT resident with a library card

How do I get one? Call the library at 203-879-8110 or stop by the library. Passes can be reserved up to 7 days in advance and must be returned the next day after the event by closing time.

As you know, we accept donations of quality books all year. If you are thinking of giving some to the library, it is helpful for us to get them gradually so they can be processed. Please **DO NOT PUT THEM IN THE DROP BOX. THAT IS ONLY FOR RETURNED LIBRARY BOOKS.**

Donations are accepted weekdays up to one hour before closing. If you need help in carrying them, call the library to make arrangements. The booksale is the Friends of the Library's major fundraising event.



Patrons at the Wolcott Public Library make homemade fettuccine pasta and a mushroom sauce with the Food Explorers



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"

SCHEDULE FOR CLOSING/DELAYS — If Wolcott Schools have a delay/closing due to weather conditions

— Always check the TV stations 3, 4, & 8 for opening/closing of senior center —

Call the senior center to see if bus trips are cancelled for that day

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



Donna Belval
Senior Center Director

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

Monday

9:00-11:00 Setback Card Games
9:00-9:30 "Pound Class" using weighted Drumsticks w/ Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation-Donations accepted
9:45-10:30 "Strength & Tone"— includes Weight Strengthening/Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief Exercises w/ Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation-Donations accepted
1:30-3:00 Line Dancing

Tuesday

9:00-11:00 Setback Card Games
10:00 "Strength, Stretching & Stress Relief"- includes Weight Strengthening Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief Exercises w/ Kim Stewart sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation-Donations accepted
11:30-12:30 Chair Yoga-Donations accepted
1:00 PO-KE-NO — 20 games at .25/game, Total \$5.00 (Nickels)
TAI CHI—is a light aerobic exercise that works on balance, lowering stress and creating a deeper connection with oneself—Donations accepted

Wednesday

9:00-11:00 Setback Card Games
9:00-9:45 Senior Zumba" w/ Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation-Donations accepted
12:30-3:00 Bingo

Thursday

9:00-11:00 Setback Card Games
10:00 "Strength, Stretching & Stress Relief"- includes Weight Strengthening Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief Exercises w/ Kim Stewart sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation-Donations accepted
12:30-3:00 Setback Card Games
12:30-3:00 Pinochle

Friday

9:00-11:00 Setback Card Games
8:15-9:00 "Cardio, Strength & Balance—"LEVEL-UP" includes Weight Strengthening Stretching/Balance/Stress Relief/Seated Bicycle Exercises w/ Naida from Fitness Fury sponsored by Connecticut Community Foundation-Donations accepted
9:30-11:30 Knitting/Crocheting — LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS!
COME JOIN OUR GROUP!

Thursday, August 1

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Ham, Egg & Cheese on a Fresh Hard Roll — \$3.00 pp, Sign up 48 hours in advance

Friday, August 2

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at The Uncommon Grill — Watertown — Sign up at the center

Sunday, August 4

1:00 Bus leaves for 7 Angel's Theater — "Bye Bye Birdie" A loving send-up of the 1950's, small-town America, Teenagers, and rock & roll, Bye Bye Birdie remains as fresh and vibrant as ever. Teen heartthrob

Conrad Birdie has been drafted, so he chooses All-American girl Kim MacAfee for a very public farewell kiss. Featuring a tuneful high-energy score and a hilarious script, Birdie continues to thrill audiences around the world., \$32.00pp — Must be paid by Fri. Jul 26

Monday, August 5

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

Tuesday, August 6

7:30 Bus leaves for Port Jeff Ferry — \$20.00 pp IF 16 PAID PASSENGERS, Pay by Tues. July 30

8:30 Senior Breakfast — Belgium Waffles w/Bacon-- \$3.00pp, Sign up 48 hours in advance

Wednesday, August 7

11:30 Lunch Special — 2 slices Cheese Pizza, Chips & Dessert — \$5.00 pp, Pay by Mon. Aug 6

Thursday, August 8

7:30 Bus leaves for Foxwoods Casino — departs casino 3:30, Sign up for the bus

Monday, August 12

9:00-12:00 Pulse 4 Pulse Testing—20 minute Non-invasive tests for circulation: ANS Testing is measuring the amount of time between each heartbeat. ABI Testing is looking for a narrowing of the arteries leading to your legs & feet, Sodomotor Testing detects small blood vessel & nerves damage in the hands & feet. MOST INSURANCES ARE ACCEPTED—PLEASE BRING INSURANCE CARD WITH YOU--Or cash option is available if you opt not to use insurance, with a fee of \$50.00, Sign up in 30 minute intervals at the senior center

Tuesday, August 13

9:00 Bus leaves for shopping "At Home Store" and other area stores in shopping plaza in North Haven Restaurants are in shopping areas — Sign up for bus

Wednesday, August 14

8:15 Bus leaves for Thimble Island boat cruise — \$17.00 pp — lunch to follow, Sign up & Pay by Aug 7

11:30 Lunch Special — Chicken Salad w/ Lettuce & Tomato on a Croissant, Chips & Dessert — \$5.00 pp, Sign up and pay by Mon. Aug 12

Friday, August 16

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — French Toast w/ Bacon — \$3.00 pp — Call 48 hrs in advance

1:00 Bus leaves for lunch at The Great Taste of Chine — Sign up for bus

Monday, August 19

8:00 Bus leaves for Mohegan Sun Casino, Sign up for the bus

Tuesday, August 20

11:30-3:00 Reflexology with Kim — \$25.00 for 20 minutes of relaxation! Sign up at the senior center

Wednesday, August 21

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Bacon, Egg & Cheese on a Fresh Hard Roll — \$3.00pp, Sign up 48 hours in advance

9:45 Bus leaves for shopping at Boscov's & lunch to follow at The Cromwell Diner, Sign up for the bus

11:30 Lunch Special Turkey Beast & Cheese w/ Lettuce & Tomato on a Fresh Hard Roll, \$5.00 pp — Sign up & Pay by Mon. Aug 19

Thursday, August 22

9:00 Bus leaves for shopping at Mystic Village — Sign up for the bus

11:15 Presentation — Attorney Halley Allaire — "Planning for Future Care Needs and Asset Protection (Trusts, Wills, Living Wills, Power of Attorney) and how this affects you and your family" Sign up at the senior center — Open to the public

Sunday, August 25

12:00-3:00 Free Senior Picnic at The Lion's Club — Limited to 100 people

Monday, August 26

11:00 Bus leaves for Lenny & Joe's Fish Tales — (Cash Only) Shopping at Clinton Crossings to follow, Sign up for bus

Wednesday, August 28

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at AJ's Steakhouse followed by Ice Cream at Popey's Ice Cream Shoppe

11:30 Lunch Special — Breaded Chicken Breast Filet w/ Cheese, Lettuce & Tomato on a Fresh Hard Roll, Chips & Dessert — \$5.00 pp — Sign up & Pay by Mon Aug 26

Thursday, August 29

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Blueberry Pancakes w/ Bacon \$3.00pp, Sign up 48 hours in advance

10:00 Bus leaves for Bantam Bread Company followed by lunch at Patty's Diner (Cash Only) & Ice Cream at Arethusa Farm



Our afternoon set back & 9-5 card players



Our crafty seniors made a 4th of July door hanging



Our afternoon Pinochle card players

Wolcott Historical Society - August 2024



by Florence Goodman

This year marks sixty-two years since Wolcott High School's first graduating class, the Class of 1962 walked across that auditorium stage. It also marks the year that they celebrate their 80th birthday. The Class of 1963 will celebrate sixty-one years since their graduation, the Class of 1964 will celebrate sixty years, and it will be fifty-nine years for the Class of 1965. Although many of our teachers and administrators are no longer with us, one of our teachers Mrs. Geraldine Pelegano, is celebrating her 100th birthday! A very Happy Birthday to her. This month I would like to revisit some of the history of Wolcott High School and recollections of those early years.

Back in 2007 and 2015 the first four graduating classes started having reunions together. They had attended school together for so many years that it was only natural to start having joint reunions. Everyone attending felt that as they aged the reunions seemed to have more meaning or maybe it was because the lists of students from each class who were no longer with us was growing, and we realized how important it was to keep those fond memories alive. It has been nine years since the last reunion of these classes, so it



A photo of Wolcott High School taken from my 1964 yearbook

was time for another. Come September 21st we will once again reunite with former classmates at East Street Eatery from 5:30 - 9:30 and try to recognize each other and share stories of our times at Wolcott High over a buffet dinner.

Prior to the building of Wolcott High School graduates of our elementary schools attended high school in Waterbury, Bristol and Southington with our town bearing the cost of tuition and transportation. Our Board of Education was concerned that our growing enrollment would soon cause these towns to close their doors to our students, so discussions began on building our own high school. About that same time, Mr. Willy Pritchard's health was failing, and he owned approximately fifty acres of land on Bound Line and Minor Roads and a homestead on Center Street. These properties had acquired some debt to the town so upon his death, the town was able to come to an agreement with his estate administrators to acquire fifty acres of land on Bound Line Road for a payment of \$25,000. By October 1956 four years after the purchase of the land, a school building



Students walking into the high school around the construction.

committee was established to prepare plans for a twenty-eight-room Junior-Senior High School. It would also include an auditorium, cafeteria, gymnasium, library and offices for the superintendent of schools. Thus, construction on the new high school began.

By the fall of 1958 our school enrollment was at a new high and classes were forced to go on double sessions. In November of that same year the first group of freshmen were transferred into six partially completed rooms on the second floor of Wolcott High School. As additional classes were completed another class of students was added. By late



Our school nurses Mrs. Doris Peterson and Mrs. Rose Klitka.

fall of 1959 grades 7-10 inclusive were attending Wolcott High School, but it was not the typical school scenario. Students received their education while working through a cacophony of sounds: saws buzzing, hammers pounding and workman shouting. They walked over planks and around piles of building materials to get to their classes, something that would never be allowed today. By 1961 the Board of Education asked voters to support a twenty-room addition to the high school and so the construction continued.

As I perused the yearbooks from those first four classes, it opened the floodgates, and those memories came crashing through. There were so many firsts for the Class of 1962, but the classes of '63, '64, and '65 were also able to enjoy those special times. There was the choosing of the school colors: scarlet and grey and the school mascot: the eagle. Then there were the firsts in school sports, activities, clubs, dances and programs. Academics were of the utmost importance, but school sports played an important role as well. When I graduated in 1964, I remember baseball, softball, soccer, basketball, and field hockey. As I looked over the yearbook from the class of 1965, I noticed that golf was in its third season and that it was the first season for varsity track. Over the years more sport teams were added, and competition increased as well as league changes.



The school secretaries were Mrs. Crandell, Mrs. Phelan and Mrs. DuBois

Amid these sounds of construction, the learning process continued because we were all in it together and soon, we would have a new high school. Mr. D'Agostino, the first principal stated it well in the Class of 1962's yearbook, "Your 'educational adventure' began in rough surroundings, in an atmosphere of growth, in a building in the early stages of construction. Your minds were alert and receptive. There was excitement in the air and optimistic expectancy and hope in your hearts, and with it all, a keen sense of responsibility...In this respect, you had to carry a heavy burden-you had to pioneer- you had to experiment- you had to make



Sign posted outside the building during construction

decisions that would be lasting – you had to establish firsts..." The Class of 1962 established these firsts, the rest of us shared in their glory, which tightened the bond between all students in these first four classes at Wolcott High School. This new adventure brought students from all sections of town into one central school building. This was a BIG first; it allowed students in four grade levels to meet other students they may have never met because of where they lived, especially if they had to attend high school in Waterbury or Bristol as older siblings did. One hundred six students in our first graduating class from Wolcott High School walked across the auditorium stage on June 20, 1962. Forty-eight members of that graduating class went on to a school of higher education.

A quote from the 1962 yearbook sums it up nicely, "We, the first class to graduate from Wolcott High School, are proud of our meager beginnings, just as we are proud of our completed and continually developing high school and all that it represents to us. As with the building, so the foundations of our education were built." Back in 2015, I asked former students who attended the reunion to share some of their memories from their high school days and here are some of their comments. "We went to school while the workers were still putting the finishing touches on the building and the language was colorful. Mr. D, ever the diplomat, talked to them and said he hoped to expand the student's knowledge but not in that way." "The cafeteria was not finished so we brown bagged our lunch and ate it in the classroom. Milk was brought to individual classes. Only the freshmen had new furniture, 7th and 8th graders used wooden chairs with the tablet on the side." "I remember like it was yesterday when the intercom came on with the announcement that President Kennedy was shot. I was sitting in Mr. McManus's classroom and there was dead silence as all my classmates listened with fear and intensity on their faces!" "I remember Mr. Shapiro clearing his throat before any general announcement. He wrote in my yearbook... "and I will be here clearing my throat." "I remember our trip for class of '64 to the World's Fair in New York and also, several of my classmates and myself making the gray uniforms for the junior varsity cheerleading team with Miss Rice and Mrs. Fitzpatrick." "When I was on the baseball team and at practice, I broke a half dozen fungo bats just hitting fly balls to the outfielders. After that the coach (John Morris) would not let me touch the practice fungo bats." "I remember that a group of students from the class of '65 went on the class trip to Europe, the summer of 1965, had a small article and picture in Seventeen magazine." "I remember preparing stage sets in the gym for what I think was either the junior or senior prom and music was playing, I think the song was something along the lines 'Getting married in the chapel'- we were so cool." These memories have lasted over sixty years and are still quite vivid in our minds today.

Recently, a reunion committee has been meeting to organize this next get together and we are hoping to reminisce about those early adventures that seem like they happened just yesterday. Life goes on and so do our memories. If you know someone who is a graduate of Wolcott High from these first four classes, please tell them to give me a call at 203-879-9818 or email me at fjtgdg@gmail.com so they can join in the fun and add to the memories.

(Much of the information for this article was taken from Class of 1962, 1964 and 1965 yearbooks, "A Salute to Two Centuries of Education in Wolcott, Connecticut," "The Wolcott News-first edition, June 20, 1962" and responses from former students.)

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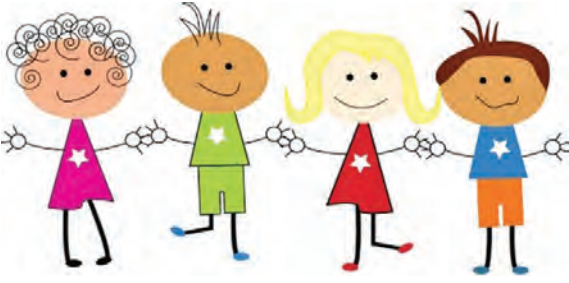


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This is only during Latchkey hours, Thank you!

Preregistration for Kindergarten 2024-2025

If you have a child who will be five (5) years old on or before September 1, 2024, please visit the District website at wolcottps.org>>ENROLLMENT>>WPS Pre-Registration Form to pre-register your child for the next school year. Once this is completed you will receive additional information for 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 the pre-registration process. Early pre-registration is greatly appreciated in order for us to plan and budget appropriately. Please Note: If your child(ren) currently attends pre-kindergarten at Alcott Elementary School and is eligible for kindergarten, you MUST register your child(ren); students in PreK do NOT automatically rollover into kindergarten. Thank you for your cooperation and have a happy and safe new year.

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All Board of Education meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Tyrrell Middle School's Large Group Instruction Room unless otherwise indicated on the Agenda posted on-line before the meeting.

	FIRST	SECOND
AUGUST	12 (Mon - BOE Office)	26 (Mon - BOE Offices)
SEPTEMBER	9 (Monday)	23 (Monday)
OCTOBER	7 (Monday)	28 (Monday)
NOVEMBER	12 (Tuesday)	25 (Monday)
DECEMBER	16 (Monday - Alcott)	
JANUARY	6 (Monday - Frisbie)	
FEBRUARY	10 (Monday - Wakelee)	
MARCH	3 (Monday - WHS)	17 (Monday)
APRIL	7 (Monday)	28 (Monday)
MAY	12 (Monday)	27 (Tuesday)
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	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 2024-2025

Month	Days	Notes
July	31	
August	5/2	August 26, 2024: Convocation; August 27, 2024: PD Day; August 28, 2024: PD Day
September	20/20	August 29, 2024: First Day for Students; September 2, 2024: Labor Day
October	22/22	October 14, 2024: Columbus Day
November	17/17	November 5, 2024: Election Day; November 11, 2024: Veterans Day; November 28-29, 2024: Thanksgiving (half day 27th)
December	15/15	Dec 23, 2024 - Jan. 1, 2025: Holiday Recess
January	21/21	January 20, 2025: Martin Luther King Day
February	18/17	February 14, 2025: PD Day - No School; February 17-18, 2025: February Recess
March	21/20	March 24, 2025: PD Day - No School
April	16/16	April 18, 2025: Good Friday; April 21-25, 2025: Spring Recess
May	21/21	May 26, 2025: Memorial Day
June	10/10	June 13, 2025: Last Day (tentative half day 12th and 13th)

Date/Event or Holiday	Staff	Student
August	5	2
September	20	20
October	22	22
November	17	17
December	15	15
January	21	21
February	18	17
March	21	20
April	16	16
May	21	21
June	10	10
Total Days	186	181

*August 29th, 30th, and September 3rd 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 eleven (11) days will be cancellations and these days will be made up at the end of the school year. After eleven (11) cancellations additional days will be taken from April vacation beginning with April 25, 2025 and moving backward from there.

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