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A new police officer was sworn in at the Wolcott Police Department recently. Officer Mark Ushchak is a certified police officer who comes to Wolcott from the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Police Department. Prior to that, he served twenty years with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Police Department for the State of CT. In this photo Officer Ushchak is being congratulated by Town Attorney Michael Tansley who administered the oath of office. *Photography by Picard*



Wolcott Navy Veteran, Raymond Landeau was laid to rest at his grave site in Edgewood Cemetery on March 13th. A large turnout of family and friends attended the full military honors service provided to Ray. After his military service Ray raised a family in Wolcott with his wife Debra and he was known for his craftsmanship in the auto body industry at Chasse's Auto Body on Wolcott Road. Rest in peace Ray, and thank you for your service. *Photography by Picard*



Veterans Are Heroes Forever held a pasta dinner fundraising event at the VFW Hall on Wolcott Road recently. The funds raised will go to help provide support and assistance to local veterans and their families with food assistance, living essentials and educational opportunities. *Photography by Picard*



Our photographer captured this North American Bluebird feeding on some bark butter recently. Bluebirds are considered a symbol of hope, love, and renewal. They are the state bird of Missouri and New York. *Photography by Picard*

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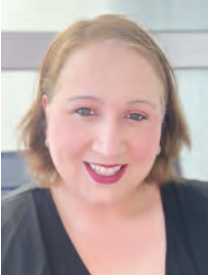
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A Minute with the Clerk

by Karen Mowad, MCTC, MMC



Recently the way trade names are processed in the State of Connecticut has changed. The law went into effect in 2025 but is now mandatory to use in 2026. The information below is provided by the Connecticut Secretary of States Office:

Trade name registry law: Public Act 24-111 establishes a new process for trade names effective January 1, 2025.

The Act clarifies who can file a trade name and breaks the filers into 3 groups:

1. One natural person (e.g., a sole proprietorship);
2. Two or more natural persons (e.g., an unincorporated association); and
3. A business organization (e.g., a corporation, non-profit corporation, LLC, LLP, LP or statutory trust already on file with the Secretary of the State).

Trade names now expire 5 years from when they are filed, unless renewed. Trade names on file prior to 1/1/2025 expire December 31, 2029. The new law also creates 3 new filing types.

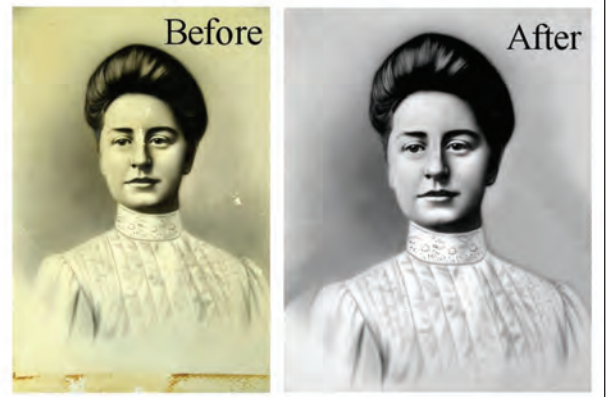
- 1 An amendment to change the information originally submitted;
- 2 A cancellation to end a trade name before expiration; and
- 3 A renewal to extend the expiration date.

The goals of the new law are to:

- Begin the process of establishing a statewide Connecticut Trade Name Registry, searchable by the general public on business.ct.gov;
- For trade names held by business organizations, link the data on file with the Secretary of the State with the trade name data filed with town clerks;
- Ensure that the trade name data is more accurate by requiring renewal every 5 years and adding an amendment process;
- Clarify the process for town clerks, to ensure uniform application of the trade name law in all 169 towns.

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April 6th - Monday

Believe in the Blue Ceremony to prevent child abuse and neglect: Sponsored by The Exchange Club of Wolcott

Location: Wolcott Town Green Center St., Wolcott

Time: 6pm

Cost: Free and open to the public

Info: April is Child Abuse Prevention Month. Give children what they need to grow - love, play, safety, honesty, structure, respect, self esteem, and Compassion. We will have speakers, a tree lighting, and blue ribbons.

April 17th - Friday

Designer Purse Bingo Fundraiser The Exchange Club of Wolcott

Location: The American Legion 1253 Wolcott Rd., Wolcott

Time: Doors Open 5:30pm | Games Start 7pm

Cost: \$45 Presale, \$50 at the door

Info: To purchase tickets please email your name and phone number to ExchangeClubofWolcott@gmail.com and someone will contact you.

April 17th - Friday

Set Back Tournament Sponsored by The Ladies Guild of St. Basil the Great Parish

Location: Father Shea Hall of St. Pius X Church | 525 Woodtick Rd, Wolcott.

Time: 6:30pm registration - 7:00pm game start

Tickets: \$20 per person (ages 16-adult) and available at the door.

Info: Snacks & Beverages included during play and desserts at the conclusion of the tournament. For more information contact Rachel Wisler at 203-879-0889 or rachelmwisler@yahoo.com

April 18th - Saturday

Patriots' Day Initiative History Scavenger Hunt

Location: Start at Center School History Museum.

154 Center St., Wolcott, CT

Time: 12:00pm

Cost: Free and open to the public

Info: Join us for a History Scavenger Hunt that can be completed as a family or small group adventure. Participants will learn about Wolcott's history, historic landmarks and patriots from the American Revolution. The first 3 teams to arrive at the final location win a prize. Registration is required. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/history-scavenger-hunt-tickets-1984004724539> or Scan the QR code to register



April 20th - Monday

Exchange Club of Wolcott Public Service Awards

Location: Aqua Turf Club 556 Mulberry St., Plantsville

Time: 6pm

Cost: \$50 per person

Info: Honoring Wolcott's Police Officer, Fire-fighter, EMT, Teacher of the Year and Book of Golden Deeds Award. Cash bar cocktail hour, dinner and awards ceremony. Tables of 10 available. For tickets contact Roger Picard at 203-910-6829 or r.picard911@gmail.com

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MAYOR'S CORNER

April 2026

Welcome Spring!

As we welcome the arrival of spring, many of us are looking forward to warmer days and the opportunity to spend more time outdoors in our community.



I look forward to seeing residents out and enjoying the beautiful spaces that make our town special, whether it's a walk along Mill Pond Way or time spent at Peterson Park. Spring sports will also be getting underway this month, and it will be wonderful to see our fields and parks filled with families, athletes, and supporters enjoying all that Wolcott has to offer.

We are currently working on developing the Town's budget for Fiscal Year 2026-2027. My goal throughout this process is to maintain the high level of services our residents expect while continuing to move Wolcott forward in a responsible and thoughtful way.

I am also excited to share that we will be celebrating America's 250th Anniversary with a celebration on Saturday, June 20th from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the Wolcott Town Green. The event will feature music and community activities, and it will be a great opportunity for residents to come together and celebrate Wolcott's history and spirit.

We are currently looking for local businesses and organizations to participate in the event. If your business or group would like to be involved, we would love to have you join us in making this celebration a memorable one for our community. Please contact Amy in the Mayor's office. 203-879-8100 ext. 102.

Please check our website at www.wolcottct.org for upcoming community events and activities.

As always, know that you can contact me with any questions, or concerns. Stop by my office or give me a call at 203-879-8100 ext. 102.

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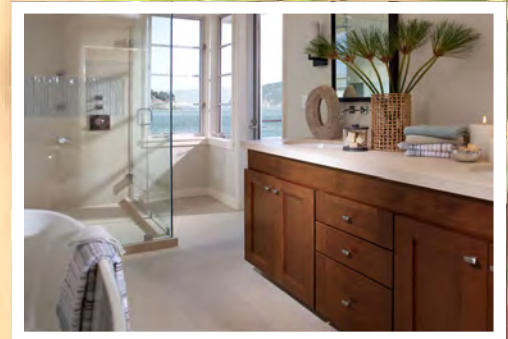
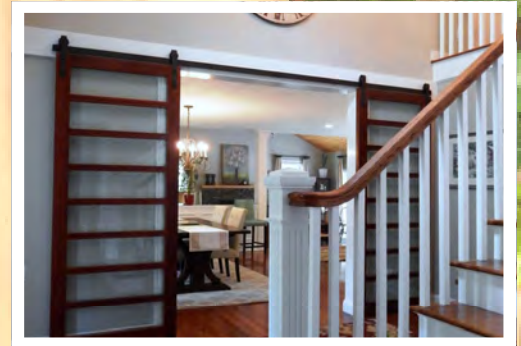
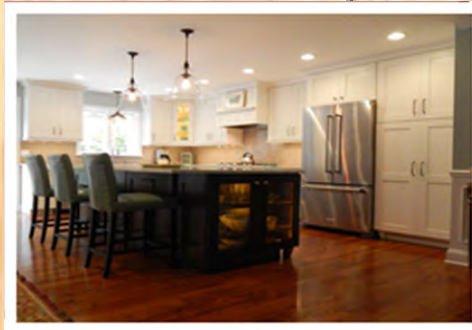


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Michael "Mick" Schmalz
WVFD Co. #2 Wolcott Firefighter of the Year

Boy Scouts Troop 230 News

It has been an action-packed month for BSA Troop 230, filled with grit, service, and plenty of excitement! This month, Scouts attended the Klondike Derby at Mattatuck Scout Reservation, in Plymouth, where they worked together to push their sled through the snow, competing in a variety of scout challenges like fire building, cold water rescues, and complex lashings. Their hard work paid off! The Troop was awarded the coveted Best Sled Award! Additionally this month, the Troop welcomed the AOL den from Pack 230 to a meeting to help prepare for their camping adventures. The Troop also invited the AOLs on their winter camping weekend. Scouts worked together in patrols to prepare, cook and clean up their own meals, sharpen their knot-tying skills, and lead impressive search and rescue demonstrations. Further, the scouts have stayed focused on personal rank advancements.

As the season turns to spring, the momentum is not slowing down! Troop 230 is gearing up for a nationwide Scout clean-up day, lending a hand to the Friends of the Library for their spring landscaping, and heading out for an upcoming tent campout.

Finally, the Troop will be hosting a can and bottle drive on Saturday, April 18 from 9:00-1:00 at the American Legion

on Wolcott Road. Drop off your recyclables and help support Scout activities.

If April 18th doesn't work with your schedule, the Troop continues to collect redeemable cans and bottles. Donations may be dropped off at 200 Chase River Road, Waterbury. Hours are Wednesday and Thursday 1:00pm-4:00pm and Saturdays 11:00am-2:00pm. Just mention it's for Wolcott Boy Scout Troop 230.

For more information about having your son or daughter join Scouting or to have the Troop assist with your event, please email troop230committee@gmail.com.



Junior Women's Club News



The Junior Women's Club of Wolcott elected new officers during their March monthly meeting for the 2026-2027 year: President – Robin DiNicola, Vice President – Teri Baltera, Recording Secretary – Jeanne Thomas, Treasurer – Joanne Pajak & Colette

Bowes, Corresponding Secretary – Laurie Glasser. The new officers will be installed at the club's Banquet, on May 20th. Congratulations to all and thank you for volunteering! Our education committee donated the 2026 Caldecott books to each of our Wolcott Elementary schools and the Wolcott library. The Caldecott Medal is awarded annually in honor of nineteenth-century English illustrator Randolph Caldecott. It is awarded annually by the Association for Library Service to Children, a division of the American Library Association, to the artist of the most distinguished American picture book for children. This month our Education committee is busy judging the scholarships that will be awarded to graduating high school seniors that live in Wolcott. The scholarships will be awarded to the graduating seniors during their school's award evening.

Are you eligible for a blood donation? This is a reminder to call the Red Cross or go online at www.redcross.org to reserve your spot to donate blood for our annual Blood Drive; the location is the St. Pius X Church Hall, May 30th. Come down and donate, remember that the American Red Cross needs your help. We are continuing to serve the Wolcott Community with our Fuel Fund. 100% Of all donations for the Fuel Fund are distributed for just that – "Fuel". The need is great due to rising costs! We are committed to giving the gift of heat when our neighbors need a helping hand. Reach out to us via our email if you need a helping hand through the gift of heat.

Our two major fundraisers are in the process of being finalized. The club is working hard to sponsor our Annual Golf Tournament. Please check out our website www.juniorwomensclubofwolcott.org for more information on the Golf Tournament. The Little Miss and Mr. Wolcott fundraiser will be held during the Wolcott Fair. It is a great experience for any child to be selected as our young ambassadors as they make appearances at many of the town functions. Applicants must reside in Wolcott and must be between the ages of 4 to 7 by August 1st 2026. If you are interested contact us at our email address. Look for more upcoming information on these two fundraisers.

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

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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Farmingbury Women's Club News



Happy Easter!!!

Hope you all survived this winter.

Members of the Farmingbury Women's Club met to continue planning for our evening with local psychic medium, Julia Jette. More details to follow.

We are currently in the process of electing our officers and committee chairs for next year.

In March, we provided pizza, dessert and beverages for the Bowling Banquet which was held on March 28th.

Scholarship Money is available. We are offering two \$500.00 scholarships to the Class of 2026. For more

information, contact Carleen VanBlarcom at cvanbl@yahoo.com.

For more information about the club and its events, interested individuals are encouraged to reach out to a club member or attend an upcoming meeting.

The Farmingbury Women's Club meets monthly and welcomes women of all ages. New members are always invited to attend and see what the club is all about. We'd love to meet you! Our monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday at 6:30 p.m., currently at All Saints Church or you can reach out to Karen Mowad, our Membership Chair or Deb Barnes our Vice President.

Cub Scout Pack 230 News

Cub Scout Pack 230 had a fun filled month. The month's high-energy pack meeting featured Team MAX, the WHS robotics team. The scouts were thrilled to watch a live robot demonstration, take the controls themselves, and explore the fundamentals of circuits while building their own LED projects. Thank you Team MAX for leading an fun, STEM-filled evening.

Our dens have been equally busy individually putting their scouting skills to the test. Lions are making a meaningful impact on the environment, working on their first conservation project by building blue bird nesting boxes for the Wolcott Land Trust. Meanwhile, the Tigers have focused on essential life skills, dedicating the month to learning camping basics and vital safety lessons for home, school, and online. The Bears helped make peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for Greater Waterbury Interfaith Ministries and learned about tools while building a wood project. The Wolves traveled back in time with a visit to the Wolcott Historical building, where Mrs. Goodman shared local history and artifacts. They also dove into the prehistoric world to learn all about dinosaurs and dig for their own fossils. Finally, the Arrow of Light den wrapped up their First Aid advancement by creating mini first aid kits, which they utilized during a winter cabin campout at Mattatuck Scout Reservation. Camping alongside Troop 230, they gained invaluable experience planning and cooking their own meals, practicing knot-tying, and participating in mock search and rescue operations.

Upcoming events include the annual Pinewood Derby and the end-of-the-year Blue and Gold Ceremony where scouts will move up in rank.

The Cub Scouts program and Pack 230 are open to boys and girls in kindergarten through 5th grade. For more information, email wolcott230@gmail.com.

In Memory and Honor of **MICHAEL C. PERRONE**



Michael C. Perrone passed away on November 30, 2025, surrounded by those he loved. Born on the Fourth of July, Michael carried a deep sense of pride in being an American.

Born to Biaggio V. Perrone and Lucy B. (Garro) Perrone, Michael was raised in a close-knit family that shaped his values of hard work, loyalty, and generosity.

A graduate of Wolcott High School, Class of 1967, he went on to earn a small business degree from Post College. He built a remarkable career in sales, distinguished by natural charisma, determination, and a genuine interest in people.

Michael believed deeply in giving back. He was a 20-year member of the Lion's Club of Wolcott, Connecticut, and gave generously to the U.S.O., Tunnels to Towers, and the Florida Sheriffs Department. His contributions reflected not only his patriotism, but also his commitment to helping those who serve others. A scholarship has been established in Michael's memory to award a graduating WHS senior pursuing a degree in business.

A Celebration of life is planned to honor Michael on Saturday May 30, 2026. For more information contact Stacy at 203-228-7305

**Michael C. Perrone
Sunrise: July 4th, 1949
Sunset: November 30th, 2025**

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Wolcott Lions Scholarship 2026

The Wolcott Lions Club Encourage all Wolcott graduating seniors to Apply

The Wolcott Lions will again be offering seven (7) \$2,000 Scholarships to the Class of 2026 graduating High School seniors, who reside in Wolcott, and are planning to attend accredited institutions of higher learning including trade schools. Applications can be downloaded from wolcottlions.com/wolcottlionsscholarship.html

Applications must be fully completed and submitted by April 24, 2026

You may deliver the completed application by email to wolcottlions.scholarship@yahoo.com or mail to: Wolcott Lions Club PO box 6063 Wolcott CT 06716 or hand deliver to any Wolcott Lion's Club member. Late applications will not be considered.

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Wolcott Education Foundation

Our annual fundraising campaign is being held. You may have received a personal letter or e-mail but if you haven't and would like to contribute to our organization, you may visit our website wolcotteducationfoundationinc.com and donate using pay pal or send us a check to PO Box 6365 in Wolcott CT 06716. We will continue to award teacher grants in all five schools as well as scholarships to deserving Wolcott High School Seniors. For further information or to set up a named scholarship in your loved one's name, please contact treasurer, Janet Tynan at 203-233-6407 or Tynan_janet@comcast.net.

To date we would like to thank the following silver sponsors to the WEF - Robert Gerace in memory of Marilyn, Dr. Joseph Macary, Mattatuck Industrial Scrap, Inc. and Bill and Janet Tynan. Bronze sponsors are Maggie and Tony Gugliotti and Judy Ball. Additional donations were also received from Flo Goodman and National Die Co. We would like to thank all those individuals and businesses who support us year after year as we continue our efforts in the Wolcott School System.

Set Back Card Tournament

Our Spring event sponsored by the Ladies' Guild will be held on Friday, April 17th in Father Shea Hall of St. Pius X Church. Register starting at 6:30pm with the 7 game tournament beginning at 7pm. Tickets are \$20 each (ages 16 to adult) and include snacks and drinks during play and desserts at the conclusion. Tickets will be available at the door. For further information, please contact Rachel Wisler at 203 879-0889 or rachelmwisler@yahoo.com.

Farmingbury Women's Club 2026 High School Senior Scholarship Application



The Farmingbury Women's Club of Wolcott will be offering two (2) \$500 scholarships to the Class of 2026 graduating high school seniors. Graduating senior must be a U.S. Citizen, resident of Wolcott and planning to attend an accredited institution of higher learning. Graduating students who do not attend Wolcott High School (WHS) are eligible for a scholarship and should contact their schools Guidance Office. WHS students will find the scholarship application on the WHS Naviance database. Any questions please contact Carleen VanBlarcom at cvanbl@yahoo.com.

Application deadline is on or before Wednesday, April 15, 2026 before 2 PM

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The Village at East Farms Assisted Living Community Offering Monthly Groups & Classes to Help Support Local Seniors

Parkinson's Disease Fitness Classes, Alzheimer's Dementia Support Group and Bereavement Support Offered at Waterbury Senior Assisted Living Community

The Village at East Farms, a Benchmark assisted living and Mind & Memory Care community, is offering several complimentary, in-person classes and community support groups this winter and all year long to help support seniors and their loved ones with common challenges.

Starting in January, in partnership with the American Parkinson Disease Association (APDA) and Powerback Rehab, on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 1PM Parkinson's Power Up Fitness Classes are offered by certified personal trainer, Kristen Frank. The goal is to help participants strengthen their balance and mobility, and enhance overall well-being with evidence-based techniques and tailored exercises that address the unique needs of those with Parkinson's.

On the first Wednesday of each month at 11AM, there is an Alzheimer's and Dementia Support Group for those who are in the early stages, as well as caregivers. Featuring both peer and professional-led groups, the purpose is to provide vital emotional support, advice and resources.

On the third Thursday of each month at 4PM, a Bereavement Support Group is also offered, providing a safe space for people grieving a loss, share experiences and learn coping strategies. Peers and professional facilitators help participants feel less alone and help them navigate the grief process by providing tools and empathy.

For over 27 years, The Village at East Farms has been a resource for families in Waterbury, Naugatuck, Cheshire, Prospect, Waterbury, Woodbury, Wolcott and surrounding towns that are dealing with the complexities of aging. In addition to offering award-winning assisted living and memory care provided by tenured staff, the community is committed to being a resource for the Naugatuck Valley region.

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When Debate Becomes Inconvenient in Hartford

by Rob Sampson
State Senator, 16th District



One of the most fundamental rights in a free society is the ability of citizens to speak to their government and participate in decisions that affect their lives.

In Connecticut, that right is supposed to exist within the legislative process itself. Bills normally move through committees and public hearings where citizens testify, legislators debate, and the public can see how their government operates.

That is how representative government is supposed to function. Unfortunately, that process is increasingly being bypassed.

On February 25, legislative Democrats pushed through a massive omnibus bill using what is known as “emergency certification,” or an “e-cert.” This maneuver allows leadership to skip the entire committee process and bring legislation directly to the House and Senate floors for immediate votes.

No testimony.
No committee debate.
No opportunity for the public to weigh in.

The law requires that the reason for the “emergency” be stated. Curiously, none was provided. Apparently, it was an emergency simply because leadership declared it so.

The bill itself was a grab bag of unrelated policies and millions of dollars in earmarks directing taxpayer money to politically favored organizations. I jokingly called the day “Earmarksgiving.” The joke wrote itself.

But the underlying problem was serious. As I said during debate, this was not emergency government. It was convenience government.

The rules were ignored simply because the majority had the power to do it.

A day or two later, during another debate, the Speaker of the House became frustrated with the time I spent raising concerns about legislation and suggested that if I was not careful, I might lose “what I love so much,” my microphone.

Vigorous debate had become inconvenient.
Then things escalated.

A week or two later, the Legislative Office Building was packed with Connecticut residents who came to Hartford to defend their fundamental freedoms.

Three controversial public hearings had been scheduled simultaneously, proposals involving new vaccine mandates for adults, increased regulation of homeschooling families, and more nonsensical gun control measures.

Each proposal targeted a different group of citizens the majority party seems increasingly comfortable treating with hostility, gun owners, parents who educate their children at home, and anyone who still believes personal medical decisions belong between patients and their doctors.

Hundreds of citizens showed up to participate in the democratic process. Hallways overflowed. Hearing rooms were packed. People waited hours for the chance to testify.

This is exactly what civic engagement is supposed to look like.

But not everyone at the Capitol seemed thrilled to see it.

I testified in opposition to two of the gun control bills being considered that day. During my remarks, The Democrat Judiciary Committee co-chairman became so frustrated by my comments that he suggested the rules be changed to place lawmakers at the end of the speaking list in the future.

Apparently debate had again become inconvenient.

Meanwhile, the public hearing on vaccine legislation stretched late into the night. More than 550 citizens had signed up to testify. After more than fourteen hours of testimony, Democratic leaders voted to shut the hearing down shortly after midnight, cutting off many citizens who were still waiting to speak.

Republicans objected, but the decision stood.

Think about that for a moment.

Citizens drove to Hartford. They waited all day. Some waited into the early hours of the morning. And when their turn finally approached, the hearing was simply shut down.

So Republican legislators did the only responsible thing they could and moved to another room to allow the remaining citizens to testify anyway. It was not an official hearing, but at least those voices were heard.

That should not have been necessary.

Then, only days later, Senate Democrats used their taxpayer-funded digital propaganda publication, The Capitol Dispatch, to suggest that I may have violated ethics rules simply by debating housing legislation while also being a housing provider.

Let’s be serious.

Legislators routinely bring professional experience to the committees they serve on. We have doctors shaping public health policy and attorneys debating judicial matters. A conflict exists only when legislation uniquely benefits a specific individual.

That obviously was not the case here.

But the message behind the attack was unmistakable. Challenge the majority too effectively and they will try to discredit you.

Taken together, these incidents reveal a troubling pattern.

When debate becomes inconvenient, the process is bypassed.

When citizens show up in large numbers, hearings are cut short.

When lawmakers push back, microphones are threatened.

And when that still does not work, personal attacks follow.

That is not how a healthy democracy is supposed to function.

The good news is that more Connecticut residents are paying attention. People are reading the bills. They are showing up at hearings. They are asking tough questions.

Perhaps that growing scrutiny explains the tension we are seeing in Hartford.

But the answer to public pressure should never be silencing debate.

Public hearings, transparency, and open discussion are not inconveniences. They are the foundation of representative government.

If citizens are willing to drive to Hartford, wait for hours, and testify before their government, the least their government can do is listen.

Connecticut residents deserve leaders who welcome debate, not fear it.

And when debate becomes inconvenient for those in power, that is usually a sign it is working.

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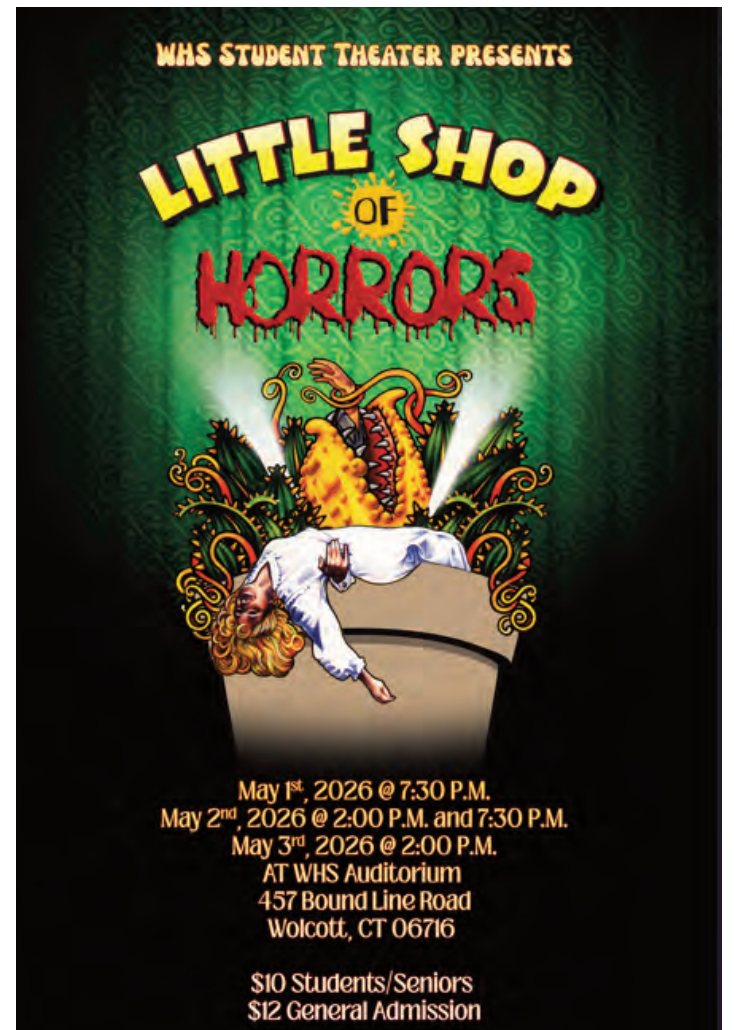


On Monday March 2nd, the Wolcott High School Unified Sports Team hosted their 3rd annual Penguin Plunge. This year's plunge looked a bit different as the Special Olympics brought a 12' by 34' mobile pool directly to Wolcott High School and filled it on site. This was a new initiative brought on by Special Olympics CT to help make it easier for teams to take the plunge. With that being said, we had our largest number of individuals take the plunge with over 35 people registered. Some students enjoyed the icy waters so much that they jumped multiple times into the cold. As a team and community we were able to raise over \$5,000 for this year, putting our three year total at \$16,000 raised for Special Olympics CT and our Unified Team. This event is such a great opportunity to see our school unite for a cause. It was nice to have such a high level of support from staff, community members, and students. A special shoutout goes out to the Boys Basketball team, who jumped alongside their coach to support our Unified athletes. We are appreciative of everyone's generosity and willingness to take the icy plunge. If you missed it, be sure to join us next year in "freezin' for a reason".



WHS Student Theater

Something's growing at Wolcott High School! Come support WHS Student Theater's Production of Little Shop of Horrors this Spring. On May 1st through 3rd, experience the thrilling story of a talking plant with an endless hunger and a curious taste. Tickets will be on sale in March - stay tuned!



Career Speakers Needed!

Can you spare a few hours on May 14th to come to Wolcott High School and talk about your Career? We are looking for all types of careers. If you know an alumni, parent, neighbor, or community member that could come in and talk with our High School students about their career, contact Nancy Cyr in the Wolcott High School Career Center ncyr@wolcottps.org or (203) 879-8157.

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The event begins at 12:00 p.m. at the Center School Museum - 154 Center Street in Wolcott, where participants will receive a brochure and their first clue. Teams will then travel to nine historic locations throughout town, collecting clues that will ultimately reveal the final destination.

The first three teams to reach the final location will win prizes. The scavenger hunt will take place rain or shine and is expected to last approximately one to two hours. Participants may use a smartphone to help solve clues. Please note, transportation is required to visit all sites.

The event aims to encourage families and residents to learn more about Wolcott's local heritage and its ties to patriots of the American Revolution. Registration is required, and the first 30 participants will receive a commemorative tote bag.



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More information and registration can be found at www.observepatriotsday.org.

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Please see us on Facebook for programs and links to register for programs.

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BRISTOL \$459,999 — Beautifully maintained townhouse with over 2,500 square feet of living space. The bright open layout offers a spacious living area with hardwood floors, cathedral ceilings plus a first floor primary bedroom suite. There are two additional bedrooms upstairs. Enjoy the private deck surrounded by peaceful wooded views. Additional highlights include central air, propane heat and a full basement. Don't miss the opportunity!



OXFORD \$719,900 — Historic Country Colonial built in 1739 on 2.35 acres. This home offers a remodeled kitchen, stunning family room, dining room with working woodstove insert and beehive oven. There is a first floor bedroom or office and a living room with wide plank floors plus an enclosed sun porch overlooking the beautiful yard. The second floor has 3 beautiful bedrooms. The primary bedroom has been totally remodeled. Full walk-up attic with many built ins. Garage has walk up loft great for art studio or workshop! If you are looking for an antique home with modern upgrades, look no more!



PROSPECT \$425,000 — This home has undergone a comprehensive renovation. All major systems have been newly installed, including plumbing, heating, electrical, well, and septic. The exterior has been thoughtfully transformed with a new roof, siding, deck, driveway, and fencing. Inside, the home showcases refined craftsmanship and contemporary finishes throughout. Come take a look!



WATERBURY \$225,000 — Renovated condo with garage. New kitchen features gleaming high end granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, new cabinets, and tile backsplash. Remodeled bathroom with granite. All flooring is hardwood or tile. Move right into this gorgeous condo.



WATERBURY \$350,000 — Welcome to this beautiful, fully remodeled home! Officially listed as a 2-bedroom home, it also features an additional room ideal for a home office, guest room, or flex space. The fully finished basement has a full bathroom. Enjoy the fenced-in yard with a detached garage, multiple parking spaces, and a brand-new paved driveway. Schedule your private showing today!



WATERBURY \$600,000 — This is a one-of-a-kind home with a grand entryway, 4,280 square feet all on a .81 acre level lot, greeted by a circular driveway. Hardwood floors grace portions of the main level & entire second floor. The open floor plan offers spacious living & dining rooms and the family room offers a cozy retreat. The eat-in kitchen flows effortlessly to outdoor living. There is a bedroom/office & updated full bath on the main level. The upper level offers a primary en suite bedroom with walk-in closet & second en suite bedroom plus 2 more generous sized bedrooms which completes this level. Don't miss this rare opportunity to own a truly exceptional property!



WATERBURY \$334,900 — Colonial style home offers three generously sized bedrooms. The home features a half bath on the main level and a full bath on the second floor. The spacious kitchen provides ample cabinetry and counter space and includes a dining area leading to the deck. The living room offers plenty of space for gatherings. Level yard perfect for outdoor activities.



WATERBURY \$239,900 — Recently remodeled 2 bedroom, 1 and a half bath condo with nothing to do but move in! The kitchen has new cabinets and quartz countertops. Living room has new laminate flooring. Lower level has new laminate flooring and sliders to side entrance. Upper level offers 2 large bedrooms with new flooring and remodeled bath. The whole unit has been professionally painted.



WATERBURY \$449,900 — This spacious Colonial home features 7 rooms. The kitchen has quartz countertops, a stylish new backsplash, and recessed lighting. All bedrooms are spacious and feature brand-new hardwood flooring. The partially finished walk-out basement offers endless possibilities. Step outside to a large deck overlooking a generous backyard.



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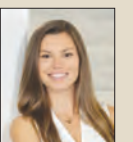
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Wolcott Grange #173

by Karen Mowad



While our plans to rent to a daycare center did not pan out, we are still hopeful that by collecting funds we will be able to replace our heating system and one day begin to conduct meetings and rent our facility again.

Thank you to everyone who was patient with us while we were taking care of snow removal. Our clothing collection shed was closed for several days last month because of the heavy snow. We are thankful to our volunteers who showed/plowed to help us out.

Please feel free to donate your unwanted clothing and get an early head start on spring cleaning. Our Little Free Library is always open for taking/giving books. If you would like to hear more about membership or would like to make a donation, please contact us at Wolcott Grange 313 Boundline Road Wolcott, CT 06716.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Aries, March 21st - April 19th
"The Flying Ram"

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

April 4th - Carolyn Nadeau
April 7th - Zachary Fasano
April 13th - Meika Fasano

Taurus, April 20th - May 20th
"The Wandering Bull"

Practical and well-grounded, Taurus is the sign that harvests the fruits of labor. They feel the need to always be surrounded by love and beauty, turned to the material world, hedonism, and physical pleasures. People born with their Sun in Taurus are sensual and tactile, considering touch and taste the most important of all senses. Stable and conservative, this is one of the most reliable signs of the zodiac, ready to endure and stick to their choices until they reach the point of personal satisfaction.

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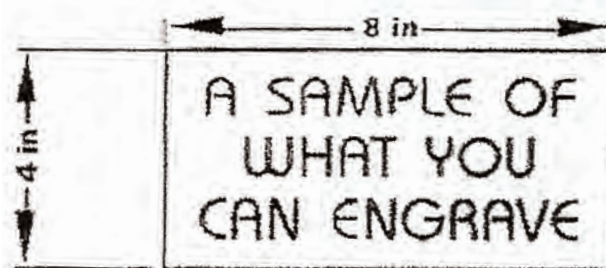
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Thursday, April 23 from 12-6
Friday, April 24 from 12-6
Saturday, April 25 from 10-2

Visit the Friends of the Wolcott Public Library Book sale and find popular books, movies, CDs and puzzles for low prices! All proceeds go to the Friends in order to help fund library programs, museum passes, and other special events.

Special Events

Spring Flowers Book Reviews - Write on a Spring Flower Book Review Sheet from the circulation desk and paste it on our Spring Garden Poster!

Spring Seeds "Take and Grow" Kits - In honor of Earth Day, we are bringing the spotlight back to our Seed Library. You can always come to WPL to get seeds for your garden. Throughout the month of April, visit the Circulation Desk for your very own planting kit!

3D Printing Bookmarks (Adults) - Wednesday, April 1, 6 p.m. Use Tinkercad to design your own custom bookmark to be 3D printed. Registration Required.

Easter Ceramic Gnome Statues - Thursday, April 2, 6 p.m. Join Library Assistant Elaine to paint a ceramic gnome statue for Easter! Registration required.

Gardens of Wolcott Past and Present with Flo Goodman - Wednesday, April 15, 2 p.m. Ever wonder how our local gardens have changed over time? Sharing photos from the Wolcott Historical Society's garden tours over the last 20+ years, Flo Goodman will take us on a truly beautiful journey through history. Registration encouraged.

"Belle of Amherst" - Excerpts of the Play & Discussion - Wednesday, April 16, 6 p.m. In honor of National Poetry Month, patrons will step into the world of Emily Dickinson as embodied by Julie Fitzpatrick. Excerpts performed from Belle of Amherst by William Luce and a discussion to follow. Registration is strongly encouraged.

Sound Bath Experience with the Sound Healing Librarian - Thursday, April 30, 6 p.m. Discover the power of sound for relaxation and healing with certified sound healer Melissa Dorish. Participants will sit or lie comfortably while experiencing the sounds of Himalayan singing bowls and various instruments. The event will also include Narcan training provided by Chesprocott. Sponsored by Wolcott CASA. Registration required.

Events for All Ages

Knitting with Ginny - Every Monday, 5 p.m. Ages 12 + Learn to knit in a workshop for novices or get our expert's advice.

Makerspace Open Hours - Every Tuesday, 2-5:30 p.m. Stop in during Makerspace Open Hours to use our equipment. Outside of open hours, makerspace resources are available by appointment.

Junk Journaling - Wednesday, April 8, 6 p.m. Bring an old journal you have laying around, and our Makerspace will be open to fill your pages. Open to teens & adults.

Art with Amber - Saturday, April 4, 11 a.m. "Yarn-Wrapped Egg Decor": Wrapping yarn around wire to make cute easter egg wall decoration!

PokéMonday - Monday, April 27, 6 p.m. Ages 14+ Pokémon club to talk about and play the TCG. Beginners welcome, starter decks available, but feel free to bring your own! No registration necessary.

Children's Events

SPECIAL EVENTS

Let's Make Stuff with Team Max- Thursday, April 2 at 6:30 p.m. Make stuff with Wolcott robotics Team Max 1071. Grades 2+ Registration required.

Kid's Craft-to-Go- Available April 1

Grab a craft kit at WPL and make a craft at home. No registration, while supplies last.

All-Ages Spring Storytime- Tuesday, April 7 at 10:30 A storytime followed by a spring planting activity.

Perler-palooza!- Thursday, April 9 drop-in from 1-5 p.m. Make perler bead creations in the Children's Room.

Saturday Cinema- Saturday, April 11 12:30 p.m. Watch Zootopia 2- popcorn & craft provided.

Patriotic Craft Time - Saturday, April 18 drop in from 1-2 p.m. Make a lantern like Paul Revere!

WEEKLY EVENTS

Minecraft Club - Mondays at 5:30 p.m. Play Minecraft at the library and learn to code. Geared to kids in grades 2-5. Bring your own device or register to reserve a library computer / Minecraft account.

A-B-C, Read With Me! - Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. A storytime designed for ages 3-5.

Books & Babies - Wednesdays at 11 a.m. Songs, stories & bounces for baby bookworms. Birth - 2 years.

Lego Club - Wednesdays at 5 p.m. Drop in and build a Lego Creation to be displayed all week!

Tots and Tunes - Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. Active sing and dance-along for kids under 5.

Family Game Time - Thursdays at 7 p.m. Meet in the Children's Room to play boardgames.

Twinkle Toes Dance- Fridays at 11 a.m. Preschool dance with Ms. Laura. Registration required.

Homeschool Meetup - Fridays at 1 p.m. Enrichment activities for homeschoolers ages 6-12 and their families. Please register.

Teen Events - Grades 6-12

GRADES 6-12

Middle School Madness- Thursdays 4-5 p.m. Activities are planned for middle schoolers (grade 6-8) every Thursday. Stay at TMS for a club and catch the late bus to the library.

Magic the Gathering - Every Wednesday, 6 p.m. Bring your own cards or use the library's! All levels.

Little Mermaid Yarn Craft - Tuesday, April 7 at 3:30 p.m. Make your own "little mermaids" with yarn and beads in honor of Tyrrell's production of The Little Mermaid! Registration encouraged.

TLC - Saturday, March 11 at 10 a.m. Help make to-go craft kits for the library! Earn 1 volunteer hour. Registration required.

Adult Events

Weave a Keychain - Every Monday in April, 3 p.m. Join us for a multi-week session to weave a keychain from start to finish.

Chair Yoga with Soul N Body - Every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. Gentle Chair Yoga with Rosie from Soul n Body.

A Good Yarn Knitting Club - Every Wednesday, 10 a.m. Knitting club! We crochet too.

Crafternoons - Every Thursday, 2 p.m. Seasonal art: April 2, Digging Bunny Pots; April 9, Pipe Cleaner Frogs; April 16, Paper Umbrella Mobile; April 23, Beehive Twine Decor; April 30, Rainy Duck Painted Door Hanger. Registration required.

BINGO Night - Wednesday, April 1, 5:30 p.m. Lucky numbers, friendly competition, and exciting prizes! Ages 14 +, registration required.

Painting Party -Thursday, April 9, 6 p.m. Follow along to create artwork with acrylics. Beginners welcome. Registration required.

Crafts, at Night - Monday, April 13, 6 p.m. Painted Spring Windows – Painting a spring view of the garden behind wood window frames! Registration required.

Book Club - Wednesday, April 15, 6 p.m. *The Invisible Life of Addie Larue* by V.E. Schwab.

Intro. to 3D Printing - Friday, April 17, 2 p.m. Learn about our 3D Printer at the library and the basics of finding and creating designs.

Library Design Focus Group - Tuesday, April 21, 5 p.m. Share your input for our library renovations and additions.

Friday Films - Friday, April 24, 1 p.m. *Hamnet* (2025) d. Chloé Zhao. William Shakespeare and his wife face tragedy when their son, Hamnet dies at a young age, inspiring Shakespeare to write his timeless masterpiece "Hamlet".

Tech Assistance

Individual technology assistance is available by appointment. Call the library at 203-879-8110 and speak with Carrigan, our Digital Navigator, for more information.



In early March, The Kerry Boys visited the library to perform for St. Patrick's Day. The band played originals and classic Irish tunes, and patrons enjoyed their humor just as much as the music.

Friends of the Wolcott Library, Inc.

We are excited about our Spring Sale and looking forward to receiving your donations of books of all kinds, gently used, DVD's, CD's, audio books, record albums, jigsaw puzzles and games. Our special collection day will be held downstairs Saturday, April 11 from 10 am to noon but we will be accepting items at the main circulation desk upstairs one hour before closing during the week. Our sale will take place on Thursday and Friday, April 23 and 24 from noon to 6pm and Saturday, April 25 from 10 am to 2 pm. Free admission all days and we are accepting cash only.

Thank you for the anonymous cash donation received last month. We don't know who you are but we appreciate your yearly support!

At our last meeting we decided to re-new our passes to the Mattatuck Museum, however, we have cancelled Mystic Seaport. The Seaport pass is good until 4/30/26 so if you plan a trip this month you can take advantage of the half price tickets. The Friends will be contributing supplies for the special gift given out for the Library Passport Program held in the month of April. This is the chance for you to visit other libraries, see what they have to offer, and get a special prize with each visit.

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 8 at 12:30pm in the downstairs meeting room.

Classifieds

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 1 Bdrm sleeps 4 comfortably. Walk to ocean and all town restaurants and events. Onset, Massachusetts. beautiful beach community. 203-695-2395 if interested. \$875.00/week

3 Bedroom Home 1 car garage in Wolcott. No pets, \$2,200 per month. Call 203-528-6806

Help Wanted

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

Landscape Materials

Mulch, Topsoil, Stone Deliveries. Spreading also available. Call today for a free quote (203) 704-0185

Pressure Washing

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

Remodeling Contractors

Bathroom Remodeling: Custom tiled showers, handicap accessible showers, tub-to-shower conversions. Licensed & Insured. Call Jarrod's Home Repair at 203-704-6454 or email: jarrodshobbins@gmail.com

Stump Removal

Stump Grinding: Removal of unwanted stumps. Call Mark at Eagle Stump Grinding, call 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



Join us for Junk Journaling the second Wednesday of the month! Bring in an old journal and some "junk" as we fill our pages and chat every month.

Wolcott Food Pantry

Distribution Date Reminders

April 8th (Wed) Distribution Day 8:30am to 11:00am
April 22nd (Wed) Distribution Day 8:30am to 11:00am

Thank You

We would like to say 'Thank You' to Dan Cauette. He is a plumber and has responded to a couple of issues we have had at the pantry and he has donated his time in both instances. Thanks Dan!

We would like to thank the staff at the Charles Rietdyke Wolcott Senior Center for sponsoring a 'Valentine's Day' fundraiser on our behalf.

Help Us Out

If any groups intend on hosting Food Drives and/or Fund Raisers for us in the coming year, we would love to get an early heads-up so we can better align our resources to help in scheduling a truck drop-off or help in picking up donated items. Just give us a call at 203-704-7402 and leave a message to get a conversation going.

Winter Storm Closing Policy

Our Winter 'inclement weather' rescheduling procedure is as follows: If on one of our 'distribution' Wednesdays, Wolcott schools are delayed or cancelled, we cancel our distribution process as well and will open for distribution on Friday of the same week. If by chance more winter weather strikes on that Friday, we once again would close and then schedule a distribution on the following Wednesday.

If you are a client of the pantry and would like to opt-in to receive periodic text messages such as distribution reminders, bad weather impacts, please text the following WLCTPANTRY to 91896. This will register you with the town supported TextMyGov service which we can utilize to send pantry specific messages.

Donation Options at Our Facility

Our 24/7 outdoor drop-off box does not allow for someone to donate perishable food items. If you are interested in helping us stock up on those types of items (fruits, vegetables, eggs, meat, chicken cheese, butter, etc.) we would suggest the following: Purchase some of the items yourselves -or- purchase a gift-card from one of our local grocers (which would allow us to purchase what we may need). You can stop by any Monday or Tuesday between 8:30 AM and 10:30 AM to drop the items off and we can refrigerate or freeze immediately.

We accept non-perishable food donations at our drop-off box located at our front door (24 / 7). **Please check the dates** on any food donations & eliminate the expired ones.

Of course, feel free to stop in on Monday & Tuesday between 8:30 and 10:30 AM and say hello!

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



Wolcott Congregational Church

"A Little bit of Heaven by the Green"



The Rev. Tammy Torelli
Pastor
185 Center St
Wolcott • (203) 879-1293

Worship Services Saturday 4:30pm
(no Worship Service April 4th)

April 11th & 26th Regular Worship Service 4:30pm
Sunday Worship Services 9:30am
Sunday School 10:15am
(No Sunday School Easter Sunday)

Holy Week Worship Schedule

Maundy Thursday Service: April 2nd - 7pm
Good Friday: April 3 - Men's Good Friday
Communion Service 7am
Easter Sunday: April 5th - Sunrise Service at 6:30am
and Worship Services - 9am & 11am



The 'Blizzard of 2026' put a hurt on our outdoor canopy that we use for our food distributions. Thankfully the mayor is looking to help us restore a structure that we can use to stage food and protect the volunteers during inclement weather conditions.



We would like to thank the staff at the Charles Rietdyke Wolcott Senior Center for sponsoring a 'Valentine's Day' fundraiser on our behalf (Feb 11th). We stopped by to grab a picture of the staff preparing the meal. Hard working folks for sure. 'Thank You' to those of you that decided to stop by and purchase the lunch! Your participation generated \$531.



The volunteers at the pantry would like to thank the Lion's Club of Wolcott for their consistent support of the pantry. During their yearly Winter Wonderland event, they collected food on our behalf. Thanks to Steve Tutolo and Paul Hebert for delivering the food to us.



The volunteers of the Food Pantry would like to thank the Wolcott High School - Community Service Club. They ran a food drive on our behalf and raised 546 lbs. of food. We got to meet the club members when we arrived to pick-up the food. 'Thank You' Community Service Club members.



IF YOU SIGN UP FOR A BUS TRIP, PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR PHONE

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

Donna Belval
Senior Center Director

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 “Monday Motown Madness”—includes Cardio & Strengthening w/ a “Funk Twist” by 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

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

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

8:30-9:15 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, April 2

11:00 “The Red Flags of Fraud & Elder Abuse” — presented by Thomaston Savings Bank. Financial exploitation is happening at an increasingly alarming rate. In extreme cases, elder financial exploitation can result in the loss of the ability to live independently. It can also result in a decline in health, broken trust and fractured family ties. Awareness is the first step to prevention. To learn tips for identifying fraud and signs of elder abuse, please attend the Senior Wellness Workshop presented by Thomaston Savings Bank financial experts. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC — Sign up at the Senior Center

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at Country Corner Diner — in Bethany, Sign up for the bus

Friday, April 3
GOOD FRIDAY—SENIOR CENTER CLOSED

Monday, April 6
11:00 bus leaves for lunch at Stonebridge Restaurant in Milford — Sign up for bus trip

Charles Rietdyke (Wolcott) Senior Center

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

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

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

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

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

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

Tuesday, April 7

9:00-9:45 Chair Yoga w/ Matt--\$2.00 pp per class

9:45-10:30 Tai Chi w/ Matt--\$5.00 per person per class — Pay Matt

12:00 Free Blood Pressures sponsored by Beacon Brook Healthcare-1st & 3rd Tues.

Wednesday, April 8

11:30 Lunch Special — Home-made Meatball w/ Mozz. Cheese on a Hard Roll, Chips & Dessert — \$5.00 pp Sign up & Pay by Mon. Apr 6

Thursday, April 9

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

9:00 Bus leaves for shopping at Home Goods Store — Lunch to follow at The Rein Deli, Sign up at the Senior Center

11:00 Lunch & Learn presentation “Hip & Knee Replacements” by Michale Harris PA-C from Waterbury Hospital — Sign up for lunch presentation

Tuesday, April 14

9:00-9:45 Chair Yoga w/ Matt — \$2.00 pp per class

9:45-10:30 Tai Chi w/ Matt--\$5.00 per person per class — Pay Matt

11:00 Presentation by Dan D’Virgilio from Veterans Are Heroes Forever — to discuss Property tax and rent relief for the Veterans elderly & disabled and how to apply. VA Pact Act information-links to additional VA benefits

Information about Veterans Are Heroes Forever 501C3 accomplishments, assistance and mission statement — Sign up to attend this presentation — OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

11:30 Bus leaves for Hawk Ridge Winery — Sign up for bus trip

Wednesday, April 15

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

11:30 Lunch Special — Chicken Salad w/ Lettuce on a Fresh Hard Roll, Chips & Dessert, \$5.00 pp Sign up & Pay by Mon. April 13

Thursday, April 16

7:30 Bus leaves for Foxwoods Casino — Departs casino 3:30 — Sign up for bus trip

11:00 Presentation-Medicare Fraud & Abuse w/ WCAA — will discuss the latest Medicare frauds impacting our local communities. Health care fraud drains billions of dollars out of our pockets every year, with Medicare one of the leading programs within the federal government where the loss is extremely high. This important group event will assist in empowering you to protect against, detect, and report suspected Medicare fraud and abuse. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC — Sign up for this presentation at the senior center

12:00 Blood Pressures sponsored by Chesprocott Health District — 2nd Thurs. each month

Sunday, April 19

2:00-5:00 PM Line Dancers Fund Raiser for the Wolcott Senior Center-\$10.00 per ticket, Call Barbara at 203-560-0837 for information

Tuesday, April 21

8:30-9:30 Blueberry or Plain Pancakes w/ Sausage Links — \$3.00 pp Sign up 48 hrs in advance

9:00-9:45 Chair Yoga w/ Matt--\$2.00 pp per class

9:45-10:30 Tai Chi w/ Matt--\$5.00 per person per class — Pay Matt

11:00 Bus leaves for lunch at Market Place-Litchfield followed by free tasting at Litchfield Distillery 2:00-3:00 PM — Sign up for bus trip

12:00 Free Blood Pressures sponsored by Beacon Brook Healthcare-1st & 3rd Tues.

Wednesday, April 22

11:30 Lunch Special — 3 Stuffed Shells w/ Marinara Sauce & 2 Home-made Meatballs, Garlic Bread & Dessert — \$6.00 pp Sign up & Pay by Mon. Apr 20

Thursday, April 23

8:00 Bus leaves for Mohegan Sun Casino — Departs Casino 3:30 PM — sign up for bus

Sunday, April 26

1:00 Bus leaves for Thomaston Opera House — “Pretty Woman” — \$30.00pp — Dinner to follow at Crabby Als’ Seafood Restaurant — Sign up & Pay by Fri. Mar 27

When wealthy businessman Edward hires Hollywood Boulevard escort Vivian to accompany him to high-society events for a week, an unlikely romance blossoms between two people from completely different worlds. This feel-good adaptation of the beloved film of the same name features a score by Bryan Adams and Jim Vallance, delighting audiences worldwide with its dazzling theatricality, laughs, and heart — a modern Cinderella story that proves everyone deserves a fairytale ending.

Tuesday, April 28

9:00 Bus leaves for shopping at Clinton Crossings with lunch to follow at Indian Head Restaurant in Branford — Sign up for bus trip

9:00-9:45 Chair Yoga w/ Matt — \$2.00 pp per class

9:45-10:30 Tai Chi w/ Matt--\$5.00 per person per class — Pay Matt

11:30-3:00 Foot Reflexology w/ Kim — \$25.00 for 20 Minutes of Relaxation, Sign up at the center

Wednesday, April 29

8:30-9:30 Senior Breakfast — Belgium Waffles w/ Bacon — \$3.00 pp, Sign up 48 hrs in advance

11:30 Italian Combo — Ham, Salami, Provolone Cheese w/ Lettuce on a Fresh Hard Roll, Chips & Dessert — \$5.00 pp Sign up & Pay by Mon. Apr 27

Thursday, April 30

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

WE HAVE AN INCREASED NEED FOR WHEELCHAIRS, ROLLATORS & TRANSPORT CHAIRS. IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THESE ITEMS THAT YOU BORROWED FROM OUR SENIOR CENTER AND ARE NO LONGER USING, PLEASE RETURN SO WE MAY DISTRIBUTE TO OTHERS IN NEED. WE CURRENTLY HAVE AN ABUNDANCE OF SHOWER CHAIRS, WALKERS, COMMODOES AND CANES IF ANYONE IS IN NEED. WE ALSO ACCEPT ALL THESE ITEMS IN CLEAN CONDITION AS DONATIONS.

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

Wolcott Historical Society - April 2026



Our seniors enjoying the St. Patrick's Day lunch



Frisbie School Student Council members assisted our seniors during St. Patrick's Day lunch

Our seniors dressed up for our St. Patrick's Day lunch



by Florence Goodman

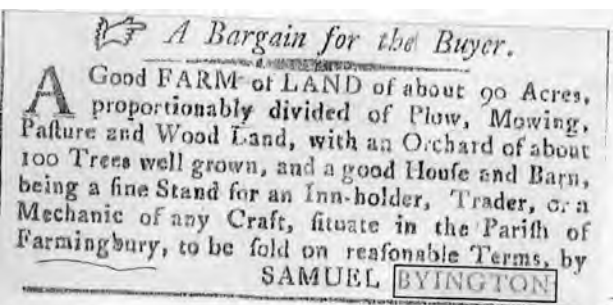
In this month's article I will share the stories of the lives of three more soldiers from Farmingbury settlement who volunteered to serve in the fight for our country's freedom. Two of these men were brothers who grew up in our town and the third soldier had a famous son. They all served their town well.



The James Thomas house built 1775 is located on Peterson Lane.

Samuel Byington was born March 21, 1751. His parents were Daniel and Sarah (Butler) Byington. He had a brother Daniel born in 1738 and a sister Sarah born in 1742. Samuel kept a tavern and inn on the green in Farmingbury. He was a prominent member of the Farmingbury parish church and many of the church business meetings were held at his house. Samuel married Olive Warren on March 17, 1775, in Farmington. They had two children. Samuel joined the Colonists in the summer of 1776, serving as a Private in his brother Lt. Daniel Byington's Company, with Colonel Gay's Regiment. He also served under General Horatio Gates in the 1777 "To the Northward" the northern campaign (1775-1781) which was critical to the American Revolution. The exact date that Samuel returned home to Farmingbury is not available. In about 1790 records show that Samuel and Olive were living in West Stockbridge, Massachusetts, but they later returned to Wolcott. In 1796 Samuel built a home on 47 acres of farmland on Bound Line Road across from the town green. It was referred to as the "Publick House" and Samuel was the innkeeper. Adjoining the inn were the blacksmith and wheelwright shop. In 1797 Samuel sold the property. The new owner, Abijah Fenn built a store next to the inn on the corner of Center Street and Bound Line Road. Fenn maintained the inn, blacksmith shop and wheelwright shop for many years, but the exact date is unavailable. Land records show that in 1844 David Bailey built a new house on the property where the inn once stood. Today it is referred to as the David Bailey House and is located at 335 Bound Line Road. Samuel died on December 17, 1823, and is buried in Southwick Cemetery, Southwick, Massachusetts.

Daniel Byington II or Jr. was born in Branford on June 4, 1738. His parents were Daniel and Sarah (Butler) Byington. Daniel had a sister, Sarah born in 1742 and a brother, Samuel who is researched above. Daniel married Elizabeth Hall on December 29, 1762. They had eleven children. His father, Daniel Senior, was one of the leading men in organizing the parish of Farmingbury. Daniel's father was chosen clerk of the Society at the first meeting held in October 1770 and held the office for the next year, after which Daniel took over the position serving as clerk for approximately 26 years. He also served in other town affairs during that time. Daniel's father was a mechanic and had a shop for building and repairing various wooden articles used in those days. Daniel followed in his father's footsteps making great wheels for spinning wool and little wheels for spinning flax. His son, Daniel III also worked



In 1797 Samuel sold his property. The ad says 90 acres, but other sources say 47 acres. It was a lot of land for sure.



This is the David Bailey House that was built in 1844 on Samuel's original property. It is located on the green at 335 Bound Line Road and is owned by John and Rose Ann Olsen.

in the shop along with him. Daniel II held a Lieutenant's commission under George III in the French and Indian War (1761), and during that time the Byington name was changed from Boynton to Boyington. When the Revolution broke out Daniel joined the Colonists serving as a 2nd Lieutenant, 6th Company, Colonel Charles Webb's Regiment. Daniel died on May 8, 1824, and is buried in Edgewood Cemetery.

Our third soldier James Thomas was a cooper by trade who was born in Scotland in October 1747 and settled in Farmingbury. James married Martha Barnes on March 3, 1773. They had seven children. He built a one and a half story Cape Cod style, post, and beam home in 1775 on Spindle Hill. Seth Thomas, famous clockmaker was their fifth child born in the house in 1785 and lived there until about 1810. James served in the Revolution in the 13th Company, 15th Militia Regiment, but the exact dates of his time served were not found. He died on May 14, 1796, and is also buried in Edgewood Cemetery. The Thomas House is located at 36 Peterson Lane. Seth built many of his first clocks in Wolcott and provided jobs to the Spindle Hill residents during this time.

These are three of the nine Revolutionary soldiers who will be included in our Patriots' Day Scavenger Hunt to be held on April 18th from noon to 2:00. Be on the lookout for posters around town or on our Wolcott Historical Society website (wolcotthistory.org) to register for this event. There is a QR code on the poster which when scanned will allow you to register.

Interested in visiting our Center School History Museum or the Stone Schoolhouse Museum? Call me at 203-879-9818 to make an appointment or go to our website to email me there.

(Information for this article was taken from two brochures: one from the Wolcott Historical Society titled, "WOLCOTT In The French and Indian Wars, The Revolutionary War and The War Of The Rebellion," and the second "The Journal of Josiah Atkins of Waterbury Farmingbury Society In Ye State of Connecticut N. England 1781" printed by the Mattatuck Historical Society, Waterbury, Number 21. October 1954; the "1986 Historic Resources Inventory," by J.P.Loether Associates;" History of the Town of Wolcott (Connecticut) from 1731 to 1874," by Samuel Orcutt; and hours of research by Deb DuBois on Ancestry.com, Newspapers.com and other online research sites; a talk given by Florence Goodman, for Patriots' Day 2017; ; "The Journal of Judah Frisbie, A Soldier of the Revolution" by Judah Frisbie and compiled by The Mattatuck Historical Society, 1943; Woodtick Cemetery records)



Daniel Byington's tombstone is in the historic section of Edgewood Cemetery.

Around Town Photography by Roger Picard



A public hearing concerning an upcoming town referendum for bonding ten million dollars for various Municipal and Board of Education projects, was held at Tyrrell Middle School on February 25th. Approximately 40 people attended the informational event followed by questions from the attendees.



Family and friends of Mayor Tom Dunn celebrated his recent election victory at a dinner and entertainment celebration with over 200 people in attendance. In this photo Mayor Dunn addresses the attendees with his family by his side, thanking everyone for their support over the years he has been mayor and then announced he will not be seeking reelection for mayor in 2027.



Our photographer captured this image of Town Hall after the blizzard on February 22nd. Snow fall amounts varied across the area from twelve inches to twenty four inches in some parts of the state.



During a recent Valentine's Day luncheon event hosted by the Exchange Club of Wolcott at the Senior Center, it was observed that the Senior Center coffee station had a sign posted asking for donations to offset the expense of supplying supplies for the coffee station. The Exchange Club decided to visit the Senior Center after their event and presented a check to put towards the coffee station supplies. Pictured in this photo are Exchange Club member Roger Picard and Senior Center Director Donna Belval, who accepted the check

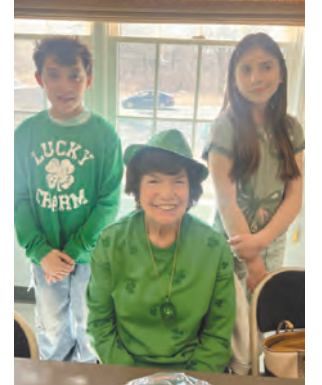
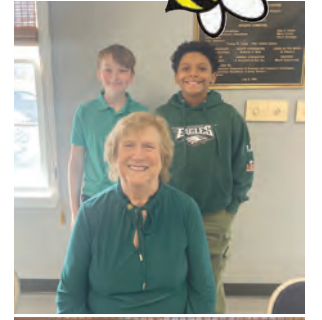


The Exchange Club of Wolcott made a check presentation to the Wolcott Youth Lacrosse Club recently to help fund their purchasing of equipment and uniforms for the upcoming season. Town assistance for most sports leagues and organizations are being reduced this coming year due to proposed budget cuts.

Focus On Frisbie



Congratulations to Frisbie's Students of the Month for February 2026!



Frisbie Student Council went to the Senior Center to help out for their St. Patrick's Day party. They helped serve food, refilled drinks and talked to the seniors. While volunteering, we were also able to see Mayor Dunn and take a picture with him!



Ms. Taylor and Ms. Brennan were recognized for being Frisbie "Super Staff" this month!



Frisbie School's Golden Ticket Winners!



Frisbie Forum: Celebrating Team U.S.A. at the Olympics! All students and staff had a great time recreating the Olympics!



Frisbie Student Council volunteered at the Wolcott Senior Center for their Valentine's Day Party!! They helped serve food and had some nice conversations with the seniors!



Students from Wolcott High School and TMS came to Frisbie to read to our Frisbie classes for "Read Across America" Week!

Target on Tyrrell



Read Across Wolcott: Students Sharing the Joy of Reading

As part of Read Across Wolcott, students from the middle and high school visited our elementary schools to share their love of reading with younger learners. Older students read aloud to elementary classes, helping bring stories to life while encouraging a love of books and learning.

The visit was a meaningful experience for everyone involved. Elementary students enjoyed hearing stories from their older peers, while the middle and high school students served as positive role models and leaders in our school community.

This year also included a special cultural addition, as some students read portions of the books in their native languages, allowing younger students to hear stories in different languages and celebrate the diverse backgrounds within our school community.

Events like this highlight the strong connections across Wolcott schools and remind us that reading can bring our entire community together.



Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance News



Annual Food Drive 2026!

We would like to begin the April article by thanking all of you for your continued support of Wolcott Volunteer Ambulance Association. Our fantastic community has been there for us through over 50 years of service to the Town of Wolcott. We began with 10 dedicated volunteers that covered the town from 6:00 PM until 6:00 AM Monday through Friday and 24 hours on Saturday & Sunday. We now have a combination of volunteer and paid employees providing two paramedic-level ambulances 24 hours per day, 7 days per week. We need your help now, more than ever! It requires 35,040 hours per year to staff two of our ambulances 24/7. Only some can volunteer their time, but anyone can help. It is time for our annual fund drive. If you have not already done so, would you consider donating? As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, your tax-deductible contribution allows us to provide many services not covered by our other revenue sources as we respond to calls for service each year. No donation is too small; we appreciate any amount you wish to give! We accept PayPal or you can send a check to us at P.O. Box 6066 Wolcott, CT 06716.

Community Classes

Are you interested in learning CPR or First Aid? We offer community classes upon request. If you or your organization are interested in one of these life saving classes, contact us at (203) 879-4122 or email us at training@wolcottambulance.com for more information.

Emergency Medical Technician Class

Our EMT class is in full swing, and the students are gaining the knowledge they need to take the National Registry test and become certified Emergency Medical Technicians in the State of Connecticut. Are you looking to become an EMT? If so, there is still time to sign up for our accelerated course this summer! This fast paced nine-week program will run on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10:00 AM until 4:00 PM beginning June 29, 2026. This course will teach you what you need to know to take care of someone involved in an emergency. Do you have what it takes to answer the call? Visit us at www.wolcottambulance.com (EMT courses tab), call us at (203) 879-4122 or email us at training@wolcottambulance.com for additional information.

Ambulance Statistics

During the month of February, WVAA responded to 132 calls for assistance.

Membership

Are you certified as an EMT or licensed as a Paramedic in the State of Connecticut? Would you like to serve the Wolcott community in a challenging yet rewarding way? We are always looking for people to become part of our team. We have a tight knit and diverse group of EMTs and Paramedics with experience levels ranging from a few months to over 40 years! Please contact us or download an application located on the "Volunteer Opportunities" tab of our website.

Stay Safe!

Thank you all for the opportunity to serve this wonderful community. Enjoy your spring activities & stay safe!



When Thousands of Families Speak, Hartford Should Listen



by State Representative
Gale Mastrofrancesco
80th District —
Wolcott & Southington

Over the past several weeks at the Capitol, one issue has drawn an extraordinary response from Connecticut families: H.B. 5468, legislation that would place new requirements on homeschooling families and those who choose private or parochial schools.

The public reaction to that proposal has been overwhelming. More than 3,000 people submitted written testimony opposing the bill. About 50 supported it. Hundreds more parents, students, educators and residents came in person to testify at the Legislative Office Building, packing the room, when a public hearing was held. Families traveled from across the state. Many took time off from work. Some brought their children because they wanted lawmakers to see exactly who this bill would affect.

And they all came with the same message: the state is going too far.

H.B. 5468 focuses on so-called "equivalent instruction" requirements. Under the proposal, parents who withdraw a child from public school would be required to appear in person at their local district office, completely new forms declaring their educational choice, and provide documentation showing where their child will receive instruction.

For many families, that may sound like a simple administrative step. But to parents who have responsibly chosen homeschooling or nonpublic education for years, it feels like something else entirely: government stepping into decisions that belong with families.

The sheer volume of testimony should have been a signal that people wanted to be heard. Instead, the process surrounding these hearings left many residents frustrated and angry.

Multiple major public hearings were scheduled at the same time, forcing many people to choose which issue they could testify on. Meanwhile, testimony before the Public Health Committee on another controversial proposal, HB 5044, which dealt with a radical change to the state's vaccine regulations, was capped at 12 hours despite objections from Republican lawmakers. I also opposed this bill, which I wrote about in last month's column.

Think about that for a moment. Residents take the time to travel to Hartford to speak directly to their government, only to be told the clock has run out. Public hearings are supposed to be about listening. But increasingly, it feels like the goal is to get through them as quickly as possible, leaving people shut out of the process.

And it was not only parents sounding the alarm about this education bill. Several public school superintendents also testified in opposition to HB 5468. When parents, educators and local school leaders are all raising concerns about a bill, that should give lawmakers pause.

But slowing down doesn't seem to be the approach at the Capitol lately.

My colleagues recently raised concerns about another troubling trend: the growing abuse of the "emergency certification" process - better known around Hartford as an "e-cert".

E-cert was created for true emergencies - situations where the legislature needs to act immediately. A natural disaster. A fiscal crisis. Something that simply cannot wait.

Instead, it is increasingly being used to move major legislation around the normal committee process. No public hearing. Limited debate. Just drop the bill and move it to the floor.

That is not transparency. That is cutting corners and cutting the public out of the process.

When thousands of families show up to testify about a bill that affects their children, the answer shouldn't be to rush the process or limit the discussion. The answer should be to listen.

Here is the thing about Connecticut families: they are reasonable people. They understand that government has a role to play in education and public policy. But they also expect respect from the people making those decisions.

Right now, many feel like they are being talked at, instead of listened to.

Three thousand people spoke up on HB 5468. That is not a small group. That is a massive outpouring from parents who believe the state is stepping into decisions that belong at the kitchen table, not in a government office.

When that many people raise their voices, Hartford should not be looking for ways around the process.

It should be paying attention. But will the majority actually listen to the people? We shall see.

I can be reached by email at Gale.Mastrofrancesco@housegop.ct.gov or by phone at (800) 842-1423. You can also follow my legislative activity by visiting my website at www.repastrofrancesco.com or my Facebook page at www.facebook.com/repcale.

Upcoming Events: Individuals with Special Needs



Bingo May 17 at the American Legion - RSVP to (203)232-4978

Save the Date for the Wolcott Special Games on June 6!

Follow us on Facebook at Wolcott Commission for Individuals with Special Needs

Thank you to Tap & Barrel for hosting a fundraiser for Rainbow Day Camp and thank you to the community for the amazing turn out and all the amazing support!

Thank you to the Wolcott High School students who volunteered for our March Madness event, everyone had a great time!



Wakelee School News!



Wakelee students had a wonderful week celebrating reading! We welcomed special guest readers from the middle and high school, showed our Wakelee pride, and spent time reading with our book buddies. Students also enjoyed Pajama Day while reading their favorite books. To wrap up the week, students and staff proudly showed off their love of words during a fun and creative Vocabulary Parade!



Second and third grade students made Valentines for Veterans this February. It was an idea that the current third graders came up with when they were in second grade. These special cards were given to Mr. Mathieu from the VFW Post 1979 in Wolcott. He will share these cards with many others at the VFW.



Our Wakelee Math Stars of the Month! Math stars are students who have shown risk taking growth, responsibility, or perseverance in math.

Alcott School News



Mrs. Christensen, a lifelong Green Bay Packers fan and first grade teacher at Alcott, recently brought football into the classroom by having her students track the Packers' season and use the data to practice math skills. Through this, Mrs. Christensen was nominated and selected as a Green Bay Packers Fan of the Year nominee. As part of this honor, she traveled to San Francisco to attend NFL Honors and the Super Bowl, where all Fan of the Year nominees were recognized on the field.

Back in the classroom, students continued the football-themed learning by hearing from the Steelers Fan of the Year, who taught them about sign language, service dogs, perseverance, and celebrating differences. The class also followed the NFL playoffs and graphed their Super Bowl predictions.



Congratulations to Yousef Elahmad for representing Alcott at the Connecticut Spelling Bee. He placed 11th out of 68 spellers from around the state! BRAVO!



Kindergarten students dropped everything and read. They also enjoyed a visit from guest readers, Ethan Ashe and Anna Zeleprien.

WOLCOTT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Kindergarten Pre-Registration for 2026-2027 School Year

Per recent Connecticut Legislation, if your child will be 5 years old by September 1, 2026, please visit the District website at wolcottps.org and click the Registration Button to pre-register your child(ren) for kindergarten starting December 1st. Residency requirements must also be met upon registering. More information on kindergarten screening and the PowerSchool Parent Portal login information will be provided in late February/early March.

If your child's birthdate is between September 2, 2021 to December 31, 2021, but you believe they're ready for kindergarten, you can request a waiver via the 2026-2027 Kindergarten Registration Tab on the website and emailing one of the three elementary school principals.

For questions, contact Meagan Angelone at mangelone@wolcottps.org or 203.879.8183 ext.2. Early registration is appreciated and HIGHLY recommended to help with planning – please do NOT wait to register your kindergarten child.

Note: Pre-K students at Alcott Elementary must register for kindergarten — there is no automatic rollover.

WPS Start & End Times

www.wolcottps.org

Schools			
Schedule	Wolcott High School https://wchs.wolcottps.org/	Tyrrell Middle School https://tms.wolcottps.org/	All Elementary Schools AES: https://aes.wolcottps.org/ FES: https://fes.wolcottps.org/ WES: https://wes.wolcottps.org/
Regular Day	7:30 am - 1:55 pm	7:45 am - 2:35 pm	8:55 am - 3:20 pm
Planned Early Dismissal Day	7:30 am - 12:00 pm	7:45 am - 12:25 pm	8:55 am - 1:20 pm
2-Hour Delay Day	9:30 am - 1:55 pm	9:45 am - 2:35 pm	10:55 am - 3:20 pm
3-Hour Delay Day	10:30 am - 1:55 pm	10:45 am - 2:35 pm	11:55 am - 3:20 pm
WEATHER-RELATED Early Dismissal	7:30 am - 11:00 am	7:45 am - 11:35 am	8:55 am - 12:20 pm

Pre-Kindergarten Sessions		
Schedule	PK AM Session	PK PM Session
Regular Day	8:55 am - 11:40 am	12:35 pm - 3:15 pm
Planned Early Dismissal Day	8:55 am - 11:00 am	NO PM PK
2-Hour Delay Day	NO AM PK	12:35 pm - 3:15 pm
3-Hour Delay Day	NO AM PK	12:35 pm - 3:15 pm
WEATHER-RELATED Early Dismissal	8:55 am - 11:00 am	NO PM PK

Latchkey Sessions Latchkey Program information and contacts click HERE		
Schedule	Morning Session	Afternoon Session
Regular Day	7:00 am - 8:30 am	3:15 pm - 6:00 pm
Planned Early Dismissal Day	7:00 am - 8:30 am	1:15 pm - 6:00 pm
2-Hour Delay Day	8:00 am - 10:30 am	3:15 pm - 6:00 pm
3-Hour Delay Day	8:00 am - 11:30 am	3:15 pm - 6:00 pm
WEATHER-RELATED Early Dismissal	7:00 am - 8:30 am	NO Afternoon Session

Wolcott Public Schools Directors

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
- ◆ Director of School Climate, Culture and HR: Mrs. Deborah Osvald – 203-879-8183
- ◆ Food Service Director: Mrs. Jennifer Zarrilli – 203-879-8145
- ◆ Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance – 203 879-8180
- ◆ Facilities Director: Ms. Jessica Pepoy

Wolcott High School – 203 879-8164

- ◆ Principal: Mr. Walter Drewry
- ◆ Assistant Principal: Mr. Bryan MacKay
- ◆ Assistant Principal: Mrs. Michelle Thies

Tyrrell Middle School – 203 879-8151

- ◆ Principal: Mr. Daniel Caetano
- ◆ Assistant Principal: Mrs. Sara Tedesco

Alcott Elementary School – 203 879-8160

- ◆ Principal: Mr. Matthew Calabrese

Frisbie Elementary School – 203 879-8146

- ◆ Principal: Mr. Joseph Morgan

Wakelee Elementary School – 203 879-8154

- ◆ Principal: Mrs. Kimberly Murtaugh

WHS Athletics – 203 879-8173

- ◆ Director: Mr. Alex Sconziano

Tyrrell Athletics – 203 879-8173

- ◆ Director: Mr. Alex Sconziano

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

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OPEN POSITIONS



NONCERTIFIED POSITIONS

- SPED Paraeducator
- CNA Clinical Assistant

COACHING POSITIONS

Available at Middle & High School Levels

203.879.8183

As of October 1, 2025

CERTIFIED POSITIONS

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Work with YOUR own schedule

SUBSTITUTES NEEDED

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 - \$125 per day
 - ONLY a Bachelor's Degree Required!
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 - Associates' Degree preferred, but not required

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Wolcott Terminal
515 Wolcott Road, 203-879-1334



Wolcott Board of Education Contacts

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Preschool Screenings

Wolcott Public Schools will be conducting preschool screenings on March 27, 2026 and April 24, 2026. The purpose of the screening is to identify any preschool age children, ages 3 and 4, who may have a disability. The screening is open to all Wolcott residents who have concerns about their preschool age child's development. If you are interested in having your child participate in the screening, please contact the Student Services office at 203-879-8178 to schedule an appointment.

Wolcott Public Schools Kindergarten Screenings

Wolcott Public Schools kindergarten screenings will be taking place on the following dates:

Alcott: April 28th & 29th

Frisbie: April 30th & May 1st

Wakelee: May 7th & May 8th

Schools will be reaching out to parents/guardians in the near future to schedule specific dates and times to establish individual screening times for each child

Wolcott Board of Education 2025-26 Meeting Schedule

	FIRST	SECOND
MARCH	09 (Monday-WHS)	23 (Monday-Alcott)
APRIL	13 (Monday)	27 (Monday)
MAY	11 (Monday)	26 (Tuesday)
JUNE	8 (Monday)	29 (Monday)

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 online before the meeting.

Wolcott Public Schools – School Calendar 2025-2026

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Wolcott \$525,000 - New Listing; Spacious, thoughtfully designed 11 room Ranch style home offers exceptional one-level living with a flexible layout. Totally deceiving from the exterior. The kitchen features granite countertops, a center island and tile floor; the dining room showcases a built-in hutch and tile floor; the living room has hardwood floors and a gas-fired log fireplace. The primary bedroom includes a full bath, while the three additional bedrooms provide space and flexibility. The main level family room and office adds additional living space. The finished lower level includes a game room, 2nd kitchen, bedroom and full bath. Other highlights include 3 1/2 baths total, central air, central vac, security system, generator, storage shed, and a 2-car garage. With it's spacious layout and flexible living spaces, this home offers comfort, convenience, and room to grow. *Ask for Linda Fercodini.*



Wolcott \$682,900 - To-be-built, a 2,600 sq.ft. custom home in the well-established Arvida subdivision on a beautiful 1.22 acre lot with neighborhood living and spacious privacy. The main level features a two-story foyer, hardwood floors, a great room with gas fireplace, and a spacious kitchen with center island, granite counters, and your choice of cabinetry & finishes, a formal dining room and half bath. Upper level features a spacious primary suite with walk-in closet & private bath, along with three additional bedrooms, a full bath & laundry room. Enjoy the efficiency of natural gas heat, public sewer, and custom construction from a respected local builder. *Ask for Lynn or J.R.*



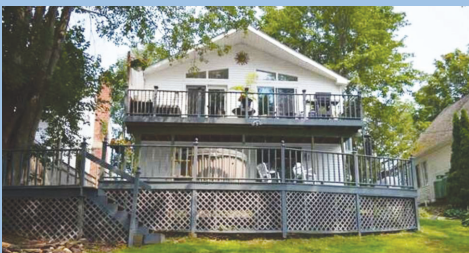
Wolcott \$381,500 - This charming, well-maintained home features spacious living areas, and modern finishes throughout. The inviting front porch welcomes you into a spacious open living room, a modern kitchen with granite countertops, tile flooring, and stainless steel appliances. The convenience of one-level living offers three comfortable bedrooms and a full bathroom. The finished lower level provides additional living space with a kitchenette, full bathroom and a walkout access, ideal for extended family, guests or potential in-law living. In the backyard you'll find a private setting perfect for gatherings and outdoor activities. *Ask for J.R. Dororfio.*



Wolcott \$649,000 - To Be Built! A bright, open Ranch-style home. Features a spacious great room with fireplace, a kitchen with granite countertops, large center island and high-end finishes flowing into the living space; three bedrooms, two full baths, and a generous primary bedroom suite. Hardwood and tile flooring throughout. A two-car garage with plenty of storage, and the private setting makes this home a peaceful retreat from the everyday. It will be built to suit, giving you the opportunity to personalize every detail to match your vision. A Colonial Style is also available for \$685,000. *Ask for JR or Lynn.*



Wolcott \$685,000 - Customize your dream home on this wooded 1.12 acre lot on Pembroke Hill, in The Preserve Sub-division w/seasonal water views. An open floor plan Colonial w/4 bedrooms, 2.5 baths and hardwood floors throughout the main level. Large kitchen with island and choice of stone counters, formal dining room with crown molding, and great room with propane fireplace. Two story grand foyer. Upper level primary Suite with huge walk-in closet, 3 other large bedrooms and full laundry room. Walk-out basement to wooded backyard. Underground utilities, town sewers, convenient location. *Ask for JR or Lynn.*



Wolcott \$659,000 - New Price; Lovely Contemporary Ranch on Hitchcock Lake!! A nine room home with comfort and year round relaxation. Features living room with cathedral ceilings bathed in natural light, an updated kitchen with counter bar, all appliances, and a spacious dining area overlooking the lake. With three spacious bedrooms and three full baths there's room for everyone. The lower level features a family room, game room/bedroom, and kitchen, perfect for an in-law. Includes an upper deck and lower deck, each with water views. The private dock offers kayaking & fishing. All of this sits across from the public golf course giving you exceptional scenery and a lifestyle that feels like a getaway every day. A must see!! *Ask for Linda Fercodini.*



Wolcott \$675,000 - Contemporary three story split-level home with Lakefront Lot on Hitchcock Lake. This home, designed to capture both light and scenery offers architectural character and refined finishes' thru-out. The living room features beamed ceiling, hardwood floors and a granite stoned gas-fired fireplace. The spacious kitchen is thoughtfully designed with granite counter tops, hardwood floors, and a center island with a Viking six-burner range with grill. There are three bedrooms all with hardwood floors, the primary bedroom includes a private full bath. In total there are two full and one half baths. Additional highlights include three levels of living space, central air, 2 car garage, and a separate Lakefront lot with its own dock. *Ask for Gene Fercodini.*



Waterbury \$339,900 - New Listing; This Charming, four bedroom, vinyl-sided Cape offers space, comfort, and thoughtful updates throughout! A living room featuring a cathedral ceiling and cozy fireplace, the kitchen with granite countertops and all appliances, the dining room with tile flooring and a slider leading to the deck. The full bath has tile flooring, a granite vanity top and a linen closet. The primary bedroom features a walk-in closet and overlooks a Bedroom/loft area. Upstairs, there is also a half bath. Additional highlights include thermo-pane windows, leaf guard gutters, and a walkout unfinished basement. All set on a level lot with an above-ground pool, ideal for outdoor activities and entertaining. A wonderful opportunity to own a well-maintained Cape with desirable features inside and out! *Ask for Linda Fercodini.*



Southington Condo \$399,900 - New Price; A beautifully upgraded townhouse in a highly desirable complex. This spacious home offers 3 bedrooms and 2.5 baths with an open floor plan. The main level features hardwood floors, a bright living area and sliders to a private deck. The kitchen is equipped with stainless steel appliances, granite countertops and ample cabinetry. Includes central air, a propane furnace and a spacious walk-out basement with plumbing roughed in for expansive potential. The numerous upgrades make this home move-in ready! *Ask for Sandy Deschenes.*

LAND LOTS

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\$125,000 - 1.59 wooded interior lot at the end of a cul-de-sac in The Preserve subdivision w/seasonal views of Chestnut Hill Reservoir. Custom built homes, town sewers, underground utilities ready access to shopping and town amenities.

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

\$275,000 - Unique 33.61 acre parcel; 13.3 acres and remaining back parcel of 20.1 acres along w/ another road frontage lot make this the property to develop for single family homes.

\$397,000 - 52.05 acre site with close proximity to I-84, Route 322 and views of Lily Lake. City sewers available.

\$399,000 - Combined lot package of 55.37 acres. 39.34 acres of farm land, or when combined with the 16.97 acre property, may be sub-divided for single family homes.

\$1,250,000 - Reduced; 7.1 acres of land available on Wolcott Road (Route 69). 739 ft road frontage. Property backs up to Minor Rd. Sewer approximately 400 ft away on Center Street. *Ask for Gene Fercodini.*

WATERBURY

\$49,900 - Builders, Investors! Two lots, each 50x100 at end of dead end-street being sold together. Subject to Probate Court Approval. *Ask of Linda Fercodini*

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