

## Budget Update and Presentation

There is always something lovely about April and longer days, fresh flowers, and spring holiday gatherings.

As I have been saying for the past few months, the budget process has been extremely challenging. The overall combined department, board, and commission budget requests would have required a 10.17% mill rate increase. With the Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance review and recommendations complete, the increase has been trimmed to a 2.99% mill rate increase.

There were many opportunities to refine the budget from the initial department presentations in January. The Board of Selectmen and Board of Finance met throughout February and March and reviewed both the Operating Budget and the Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan. This current reduced recommendation will be presented at the **Preliminary Budget Hearing on Monday, April 24**. The Preliminary Budget Hearing will take place at the Amity High School auditorium at 7:30 pm.

Following this hearing, the Board of Finance may make additional changes to its proposed budget which will then be presented at the **Annual Town Meeting on Monday, May 15**. I encourage residents to pay careful attention to the budget process and voice their opinions. The most effective way for residents to share opinions and/or ask questions is at the Preliminary Budget Hearing.

In other news, I am pleased to share that a 55+ housing proposal which was approved by both the Town Plan and Zoning Commission and the Inland Wetlands Agency is underway. The project is located at the intersection of Litchfield Turnpike and Bradley Road. Toll Brothers estimates construction will be completed in three years. This housing project will grow our Grand List with approximately 70 new homes.



The annual Woodbridge Memorial Day ceremony will be held on Monday, May 29 at 11 am at the VFW monument in front of the Center Building on Meetinghouse Lane. The keynote speaker this year will be Major General Thomas R. Bouchard. General Bouchard is the Deputy Commander for Mobilization and Reserve Affairs, United States Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Florida. The program, led by Dr. Barry Josephs, will also include patriotic music, a memorial wreath presentation, the Woodbridge Police Department Honor Guard, and remarks by state and local elected officials. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held in the Center Building gymnasium.

WGATV-Channel 79 has a new program guide available for viewing the upcoming schedule for those who do not utilize YouTube or the internet. It will run as a short post on the station following programming at 6 am, 12 pm, 6 pm, and 12 am. This information is available at the Town's website.

I am delighted to let you know that our wonderful Town Library staff will be coordinating Town-wide events such as Earth Day 2024, and this year's Rid Litter Day to be held on Saturday, April 22. Participants will be able to pick up bags and maps at the library between 10 am and 5 pm. There will also be a Friends of the Library book sale!

Please remember to add the Amity Budget Referendum to your calendars. **The referendum will be held on Tuesday, May 2 from 6 am to 8 pm at the Center Building gymnasium.** This is your chance to vote on the regional school district's proposed spending plan.

As always, please do not hesitate to reach out to me if you have questions or comments at [bheller@woodbridgect.org](mailto:bheller@woodbridgect.org) or at 203-389-3401.

—First Selectman Beth Heller

## Rid Litter Day to be Held April 22

Residents are asked to participate in "Rid Litter Day" on Earth Day—Saturday, April 22. Beginning at 10 am, residents interested in helping pick up roadside litter may stop by the Library. Library staff along with volunteer Kathy Barkin will provide trash bags and a list of roads in need of attention.

Rid Litter participants will be asked to estimate where they will expect to finish and leave their trash bags. Trash left roadside will be collected the following week by the Department of Public Works' staff.

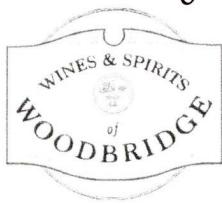
Please call 203-389-3435 with event inquiries.

**Mark  
Your  
Calendars!**

- April 7 (Fri.): Town Offices, the Library, & Transfer Station will be closed in observance of Good Friday.
- April 22 (Sat.): Rid Litter Day. See above.
- April 24 (Mon.): Preliminary Budget Hearing at the Amity High School auditorium, 7:30 pm.
- April 26 (Wed.): Experiencing Woodbridge—Community Conversation at the JCC, 7 pm. See page 2.
- May 20 (Sat.): Save the Date! 23rd Annual Spring Fling & Auction at the Firehouse, 7 pm. See page 2.

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# Town News

## Experiencing Woodbridge—Community Conversation

Woodbridge residents are invited to attend a community conversation to discuss results from the Experiencing Woodbridge Survey. This community gathering will take place **Wednesday, April 26 at 7 pm** in the auditorium at the JCC, 360 Amity Rd.

The Ad Hoc Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) created the Experiencing Woodbridge Survey to help guide

the Committee. A summary of the survey results was presented to the Board of Selectmen at their November 22 meeting. The link to the survey results is on the Committee's page of the Town website at [woodbridgect.org](http://woodbridgect.org).

Please plan to attend even if you do not get a chance to review the results. Bring your neighbor—everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate.

## Renter's Rebate Program

Applications for the Renter's Rebate Program may be filed with the Town's Assessor between April 1 and Oct. 1, 2023. To be eligible, Woodbridge residents must:

- have turned age 65 on or before Dec. 31, 2022. (Individuals receiving Social Security Disability must be 18 or older and meet requirements below.)
- be full-time Woodbridge residents.

• earn income not greater than \$40,300 for a single person or \$49,100 for a married couple.

Proof of 2022 income and Social Security earnings are required along with copies of receipts or cancelled checks for all rent and utilities (excluding phone and cable) paid in 2022.

Please call the Assessor's office at 203-389-3416 with questions or to have an application mailed to you.

## Spring Fling Set for May 20

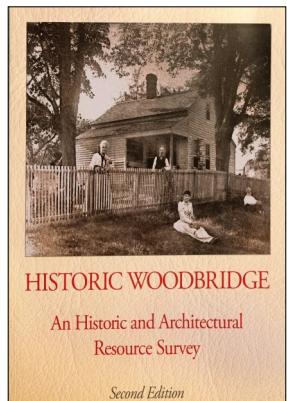
**Save the Date!** Come out to the 23rd Annual Dance & Auction to have some fun while supporting your volunteer firefighters. The Spring Fling will be held at the Woodbridge Firehouse on Saturday, May 20 at 7 pm. Once again, the Woodbridge Volunteer Fire Association's fundraiser will feature the Rumrunners playing dance tunes along with the popular Silent & Live Auction.

To purchase tickets, go to Events on the Fire Department's website at [WoodbridgeFire.com](http://WoodbridgeFire.com). Call 203-389-3441 x100 for information.

## Historic Woodbridge, 2nd Edition

*Historic Woodbridge*, Second Edition remains on sale for \$30 (discounted from \$45). To purchase, stop by the Library or the Town Clerk's Office at Town Hall, or email [TownClerk@woodbridgect.org](mailto:TownClerk@woodbridgect.org).

Learn about Woodbridge's historic houses and the people who called Woodbridge their home. Woodbridge homes, community buildings, and the people of 'olden days' come alive in this book. Illustrations are included throughout the book as the history of the community and its architecture are highlighted.



**Library hours: Monday through Thursday: 10 am to 8 pm; Friday & Saturday: 10 am to 5 pm.**

The Library will be closed on Friday, April 7 in observance of Good Friday. We will be open 10 am to 5 pm on Saturday, April 8. Visit the Library website 24/7 to access digital resources - [woodbridgetownlibrary.org](http://woodbridgetownlibrary.org)

## The Richard Blackwell Volunteer Scholarship Established with the Friends of the Woodbridge Library

The Friends of the Woodbridge Library are excited to announce the establishment of The Richard Blackwell Volunteer Scholarship, available annually to graduating seniors from Amity Regional High School. Scholarships will be granted to students who have volunteered with the Friends throughout their high school years. Woodbridge resident and Library Commission member, Richard Blackwell, has made a generous, ongoing donation to the Friends endowing the annual volunteer scholarship.

Mr. Blackwell was instilled with the spirit of volunteerism by his mother Mary and is pleased to see high school students in our community learning the value of volunteerism. Mr. Blackwell is especially excited to fund this project as



Friends of the Library co-treasurers Cathy Austin (far left) and Donna Lehman (far right), along with Library Director Eric Werthmann (second from left), thank Richard Blackwell for his donation in the Woodbridge Room of the Woodbridge Town Library.

he believes our town library is a community treasure. "I get enthusiastic about the library as I believe reading is the best exercise for the brain," explained Mr. Blackwell. "Having a good book is like having a good friend!" he further explained.

In addition to his work on the Library Commission, Mr. Blackwell is an avid library user. He also uses the emailed newsletter to discover all the Woodbridge Town Library has to offer. He would love to see more residents sign up for the library newsletter at: [woodbridgetownlibrary.org/#signup](http://woodbridgetownlibrary.org/#signup).

Learn more about the Friends of the Library and what they do by visiting [woodbridgetownlibrary.org/about/friends-of-the-library/](http://woodbridgetownlibrary.org/about/friends-of-the-library/).

## The Gift of Rudy Book Discussion & Performance

Author and classically trained pianist Sharon Ruchman will visit the library on Fri., April 14 at 11 am for a talk and performance. She will be discussing her book, *The Gift of Rudy*, which is a memoir about Sharon's journey of discovery through the life and music of her father's uncle, a young violinist who died in a



tragic plane crash in Lake Michigan during the 1933 Chicago World's Fair. For more than 25 years, she traced the life of Rudy Fuchs, a musical prodigy whose life would have a major bearing on her own career as a musician. Please register online or in person at the library.

## Peeps in the Library Continues!



Join us for our eighth annual Peeps in the Library contest! Please drop off completed dioramas and entry forms by Saturday, April 8. (You can fill out your form when you drop off your diorama, too.) Dioramas will be displayed in the library for voting starting the week of April 10. Stop by and vote for your favorites!

## Adult Happenings

For most events, please register in person or via our website.

### Library Skywatch (Weather Permitting) -

Monday & Tuesday evenings, drop-in around 6:30 pm  
Held on the library lawn with our new Zhumell 1114mm  
refracting telescope. View and identify celestial objects!

**Woodbridge Writer's Workshop** - Join area writers as we read and critique our works in a friendly atmosphere. Please register online or at the library, choosing one session or the other. Group meets every second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the Meeting Room from 3 pm to 5 pm.

**Woodbridge Scrabble Group** - Meets every Wednesday in the Meeting Room from 11 am to 1 pm. Play Scrabble against your friends and neighbors! Registration is not required.

**Indoor Film Screenings** - Thursdays at 7 pm movies will be shown in the Meeting Room. No registration is required to attend, but seating is first come, first serve. Titles are: *Women Talking* (4/6), *The Whale* (4/13), *A Man Called Otto* (4/20), and *Missing* (4/27).

**Saturday Morning Meditation** - Every Saturday at 10:15 am, one hour of silent Vipassana (mindfulness) meditation is hosted by experienced meditation instructors. Registration suggested, but walk-ins are welcome too!

# Town Calendar

## Woodbridge Happenings

To register & view events go to: [woodbridgect.org](http://woodbridgect.org)

4/4 **Garden Club of Woodbridge Meeting**, 7 pm  
Library Meeting Room, Hummingbird Presentation

4/6 **Decoupage Egg Craft**, 11 am  
for 55+, Library Meeting Room

4/12 **Home Alone Class**, 10 am  
for ages 9-12, Library Meeting Room

4/13 **Spring Drive-thru Luncheon**, 12 pm  
for 60+, Center Building

4/14 **Author Talk & Performance**: 11 am  
Library Meeting Room

4/16 **Woodbridge Trail Maintenance**, 11 am  
volunteers needed

4/18 **Spring Paper Flower Craft**, 11 am  
for 55+, Library Meeting Room

4/20 **Lunch & Learn: Energy \$aving\$**, 11:30 am  
for 55+, Library Meeting Room

4/22 **Babysitter Training for Teens**, 9 am  
two-day session: 4/22 & 29, Center Building-Room 16

4/22 **Rid Litter Day**, begins at 10 am  
Library

4/24 **Preliminary Budget Hearing**, 7:30 pm  
Amity High School auditorium

4/26 **Experiencing Woodbridge**, 7 pm  
Community Discussion at the JCC auditorium

**Social events posted to the Town Calendar  
will be highlighted here.**

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encouraged to add events to:  
[woodbridgect.org/calendar](http://woodbridgect.org/calendar)**

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# Library News

## From the Children's Room

*For more information and registration where necessary,  
please visit our website.*

Saturday, April 1 from 2-3 pm: **Drop-in Black-Out Poetry Craft**. Ages 8+. Kick off National Poetry Month in style with a cool craft!

Monday, April 3 at 2:30 pm: **Teen Advisory Board Meeting**. Ages 13+. Visit our teen page on our website to register or email [ecantor@woodbridgetownlibrary.org](mailto:ecantor@woodbridgetownlibrary.org) for more info.

Monday, April 3 at 3 pm: **The Princeton Review AP Strategy Session**. Learn strategies for AP exams that can earn scores that equate to college credit. Online registration required.

Wednesday, April 12 at 2 pm: **Blue Moon Raptors**. Special Spring Break program! Advance registration required, no walk-ins day of event.

Monday, April 17 at 6:30 pm: **Animal Facts Club**. Ages 7+. Registration required; meets monthly. This month's theme is **desert animals**!

Saturday, April 22 at 3 pm: **Earth Day Craft**. Ages 5+. Celebrate Earth Day at the library with an eco-friendly craft!

Tuesday, April 25 at 6:30 pm: **Graphic Novel Club**, Ages 9+. Come discuss the graphic novel *Zita the Spacegirl* by Ben Hatke and do a fun activity relating to the book! Online registration required.

**Recurring Programs**—no registration required, come as often as you'd like!

- Wednesdays at 10:30 am: **Storytime** (infants and up)
- Thursdays at 4 pm: **Craft Time** (ages 3+)
- Fridays at 11:30 am: **Friday Crafts** (Ages 3-5)



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# Human Services News

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To reach Woodbridge Human Services call 203-389-3429 or 203-389-3415 or email [humanservices@woodbridgect.org](mailto:humanservices@woodbridgect.org)

**Tick Control Study:** The Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station, in conjunction with the Quinnipiac Valley Health District, is seeking residents in Woodbridge for a 5-year Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-funded tick management study at no cost to participants. They will test the effectiveness of an extremely low-dose treated bait for white-tailed deer and white-footed mice in killing ticks feeding on them (a similar strategy to treating your pets for fleas and ticks), and the impact to tick reduction and tick bite exposure on participant's property. According to the study coordinator, this will not negatively impact pollinators, birds, the environment, pets, or well water. For more information or to sign up, contact Dr. Scott Williams at (203) 974-8609 or [scott.williams@ct.gov](mailto:scott.williams@ct.gov).

**Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA):** VITA is a free tax preparation service available to low-income individuals, to people who have a disability, and

to those who speak limited English. All in-person appointments have been filled, but we can refer you to other locations or to online tax preparation.

**Masks and COVID Test Kits available:** Contact Woodbridge Human Services if you would like to pick up a few medical or KN95 masks. COVID home test kits are also available. Please no walk-ins.

**Energy Assistance Program:** Human Services is accepting appointments for residents applying for the 2022-2023 CT Energy Assistance Program administered by TEAM, INC. Income eligibility requirements must be met. For information or to schedule an appointment, call Judi Young at 203-389-3429. Applications will not be accepted after May 1.

**Food Pantry:** Residents in need may call for access to non-perishable food each month. If interested in donating, the food pantry needs coffee, canola and olive oil, jams/jellies, canned chicken,

deodorant, and laundry soap.

**Needed! Medical Loan Closet:** Transport wheel chairs in good working order are needed for the Medical Loan Closet. Please contact Human Services to donate.

**Donations to earthquake victims in Turkey:** Ilknur and Eser Akdeniz of Woodbridge are from Iskenderun in Hatay Province on the Mediterranean Coast of Turkey. In February 2023, the city was heavily damaged by earthquakes and subsequent floods and fires.

Ilknur and Eser are collecting medical supplies, blankets, baby clothes, hygiene kits, feminine hygiene products, coats, socks, underwear, and thermal clothing. They will send all supplies directly to their region for distribution.

Donation collection boxes are located inside the front entrance of Town Hall and at the Center Building gym entrance until April 7. To help, contact: [eser.ilknur@hotmail.com](mailto:eser.ilknur@hotmail.com).

## Woodbridge Center News

The Center is for everyone 55+!

Please call 203-389-3430 or email [kmoriarty@woodbridgect.org](mailto:kmoriarty@woodbridgect.org) with any questions or to register for programs.



Jessica Esposito from The Center, and Sarah Wall from UI/SCG assist at the St. Patrick's Day drive-thru. The drive-thru was sponsored by Coachman Square and UI/SCG with a treat provided by Hamden Health.

### Spring Drive-thru Luncheon: (for Woodbridge residents over the age of 60)

Come celebrate more daylight and warmer weather at the Spring Drive-thru Luncheon on Thu., Apr. 13 from 12-1 pm. Lunch includes choice of tuna or chicken Caesar salad wrap, ancient grain salad, and pineapple upside down cake for dessert. This drive-thru is generously co-sponsored by **The Linden at Woodbridge**. Special treat provided by **Hamden Rehabilitation and Health**

**Care Center.** No charge, though donations are welcome. Please RSVP by April 6.

#### Services:

**Tech Tue. and Thu., 2:45-4:15 pm:** Want to learn how to attend Zoom classes? Need help navigating your computer, laptop, tablet, or smart phone? Call to sign-up for a 1:1 session in The Center's computer lab with patient, knowledgeable Amity High School student volunteers. No charge.

**Transportation** for medical appointments is available for those age 60+ or with a long or short-term disability, Mon.-Fri., 9 am - 4 pm. Rides to grocery shopping, banking, pharmacy pick-up, and social engagements are also available. Call to arrange car or wheelchair accessible van transportation.

**Meals:** Healthy, well balanced, flash frozen meals are available for **\$5.25/meal**. Order by noon on Mon. for same week delivery to your home. Choose from a wide variety of options including baked ziti, chicken piccata, flounder

Florentine, and turkey pot pie. Meals include a roll, fresh fruit, and dessert. Two meal minimum. Frozen soups are available for **\$1.50** per 10 oz. container. Varieties include: Italian wedding, beef orzo, lemon chicken and rice, and many more. Call 203-389-3430 to place your order.

**Friendly Visitor Program:** Call Judi Young, Human Services Social Worker, at 203-389-3429 to arrange for a friendly visitor.

**Medical Loan Closet:** A variety of durable medical equipment is available for lending. Call for more info. Donations of transport chairs are needed.

**Job Bank:** Residents may call Nancy Pfund, Youth Services Director, at 203-389-3429 to hire a student worker. Schedule helpers for babysitting, spring cleanup, and more.

#### Updates:

**Facebook/e-blasts:** Follow us on Facebook (The Woodbridge Center, Woodbridge CT) and call to sign-up for email blasts for The Center updates.

# Woodbridge Center News

*The Center is for everyone 55+! Call 203-389-3430 or email [kmoriarty@woodbridgect.org](mailto:kmoriarty@woodbridgect.org) to register or for more details.*

## Special & New Activities



Participants of the AARP Smart Driver Course learn techniques to stay safe on the road. Call The Center to find out when future classes are offered that may save you money on your auto insurance.

**Decoupage Egg Craft**  
**Thu., Apr. 6, 11 am - 12 pm**  
**Library Meeting Room**

Everyone can be a crafter while making beautiful decoupage eggs for spring during this workshop provided by **Hamden Rehabilitation and Health Care Center**. Please call 203-389-3430 to RSVP.

**Spring Paper Flower Craft**  
**Tue., Apr. 18, 11 am - 12 pm**  
**Library Meeting Room**  
 Learn how to make paper flowers to enjoy throughout springtime and beyond. All materials and instruction provided by **Hamden Rehabilitation and Health Care Center**. Please call 203-389-3430 to RSVP.

**Lunch & Learn: Energy \$aving\$**  
**Thu., Apr. 20, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm**  
**Library Meeting Room**  
 Want to save money through conserving energy? Struggling to pay your utility bill? Join representatives from **United Illuminating and Southern Connecticut Gas** (subsidiaries of AVANGRID) to learn how to make your home or business more energy efficient, and how you can catch up on your utility bills if you've fallen behind. Lunch will be provided, courtesy of UI/SCG. Please call 203-389-3430 to RSVP.



Attendees of the Immersive Ireland Experience enjoy a virtual tour, craft, and treats provided by Hamden Rehabilitation and Health Care Center.

**Lunch & Learn: Staging 101 - enjoy your home now & when ready to sell.**  
**Fri., May 5, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm**  
**Library Meeting Room**

Did you know 85% of staged homes sold for 5-23% over their listing price? Join the **Holli Shanbrom Real Estate Team** for some quick tips and tools on techniques that will allow you to enjoy your home more now and when you are ready to sell. Lunch will be provided. Call 203-389-3430 to RSVP.

## Wanted: All Levels of Pinochle Players

Anyone interested in playing pinochle or learning to play pinochle is invited to join the pinochle group on Thursdays from 1:30-4 pm in the Center Building, Room 16. Call 203-389-3430 for more information.

## Ongoing Activities

**Hobbies/Social:**

**Bridge:** Wed., 1-4 pm in the Library Meeting Room.

**Computer Lab:** Mon.- Fri. (no Tue. through Apr. 15), 10 am - 2 pm in the Center Building, Room 13. Printing is available (first 5 pages free).

**Craft Group:** Tue. and Thu., 10 am - 12 pm, in the Woodbridge Room of the Library. Bring your current knitting, crocheting, or needlepoint project to work on while having an enjoyable time socializing.

**Painting for Pleasure with local artist Carole Abbate:** Mon., 10 am - 12 pm, in the Library Meeting Room. Beginners to intermediates are welcome. Paint the subject of your choice. Sessions are consecutive; join anytime. Call for more information or to sign-up for this 6-week, \$36 class. Prorated as needed.

**Pinochle:** Thu., 1:30-4 pm in the Center Building, Room 16.

**Exercise:**

Not sure if an exercise class is a good fit? Try a complimentary class first.

**Aerobics Class with Laura Richling:**

Tue. and Thu., 10-11 am in the Center Building gym. Enjoy a complete aerobic, cardio, and strength training work-out to a variety of music. Bring your own 1 or 2 pound hand weights, if you have them, to use during the class. There is a \$3 fee payable at the start of class.

**Pickleball:** Mon. through Fri., 12:30-3:30 pm, in the Center Building gym and outside 7 days/week. All levels are welcome. Call for more information. There is an annual fee of \$20 for residents, \$25 for non-residents. Please make sure your dues are current.

# Youth Services News

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Call Youth Services for information: 203-389-3429. Email [npfund@woodbridgect.org](mailto:npfund@woodbridgect.org) or [youthone@woodbridgect.org](mailto:youthone@woodbridgect.org).  
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## Home Alone Class



Students, ages 9-12, may join the Home Alone Class on Wed., April 12 from 10 am - 12:30 pm in the Woodbridge Library Meeting Room. Children learn

what to do in an emergency and when to answer the phone or the door. Guidance is offered regarding house rules, nutritious snacks, and internet safety.

Cost is \$20 payable to Woodbridge Youth Services. Permission form and advance payment are required. Call 203-389-3429 to register soon. Discount is offered to siblings. Space is limited. Healthy snacks are provided. Bring your lunch if you like.

## Red Cross Babysitter Training

Two-day class covers all the basics to get you ready to babysit. For teens, ages 12-17, course will be held on Sat., Apr. 22 and 29, 9 am—12:45 pm in the Woodbridge Center Bldg., Rm. 16. Must attend both days. Snacks provided. Students may bring lunch. Fee is \$65, \$70 for non-residents. Discount is offered to siblings. Call Youth Services at 203-389-3429 for more information.

## Recreation News

Call Recreation at 203-389-3446 or email [Recreation@woodbridgect.org](mailto:Recreation@woodbridgect.org). Register at [woodbridgect.org](http://woodbridgect.org). Select Recreation Registration at the homepage on the Town website to register and view the lineup of program options.

## Summer Camp



Woodbridge Recreation Summer camp will run June 26 through Aug. 4, 9 am - noon at Beecher Road South School for campers entering Grades 1-8. Camp offers a wide range of activities including arts and crafts, drama, fitness, and more.

The CIT program is for those going into 9th grade—\$650 for residents and \$700 for non-residents. The Volunteer program is for those going into 10th grade. Limited spots available in both the CIT & volunteer programs. Priority registration will be given to those that were enrolled in camp last summer.

## Center Rd Tennis Permits

Tennis permits will be available starting April 15. Town residents may reserve a tennis court permit for a specific date and time.

Permits are available up to three weeks in advance. Call the Recreation Office at 203-389-3446 or email [recreation@woodbridgect.org](mailto:recreation@woodbridgect.org).

## Early Morning Running Club

The Spring Running Club, designed to introduce students Grades 3-6 to walking/running for fitness and to gain confidence in performance, will begin April 17. Students will learn running concepts including stretching, pacing,

training methods, and proper hydration. The club will meet Mon., Wed., and Fri., at 7:15 am at the Beecher Rd. North Kucinskas Memorial Loop.

Register online at [woodbridgect.org](http://woodbridgect.org) or call 203-389-3446 for more details.

## Youth Saturday Programs

The Recreation Department offers various programs on Saturday mornings at Beecher Rd School. Gymnastics/Movenastics is located in the Beecher South Gym. Pre-K class runs from 8:45-9:30 am, Grades K-1 take place 9:30-10:15 am, and Grades 2-6 will be held 10:15-11:15 am.

Field Hockey is a new program for children in Grades 1-4. This class takes place on the Beecher South field from 10-11am. Participants must bring their own stick, shin guards, and a mouth guard. Register online at [woodbridgect.org](http://woodbridgect.org) or call the Recreation Dept. at 203-389-3446.

## First Selectman's Award

It's time to recognize our wonderful young residents who share their time to help others and their community.

Find nomination forms on the Town Website under "Youth Services." Parents can't nominate, but counselors, scout leaders, neighbors, and peers can. See form for details. Due date to nominate is now April 10.

All nominees receive an



invitation to a volunteer celebration where the award will be presented to the winner. Send nominations to Youth Services and make a difference in a child's life.

## Job Bank Assists Residents

The Job Bank is for students ages 13-18 to gain experience and earn money. Contact Job Bank to schedule an interview. Spring yard work will be needed. Other jobs include babysitting, housework, animal care, tutoring and tech assistance. Residents may call 203-389-3429 to hire a student for odd jobs.

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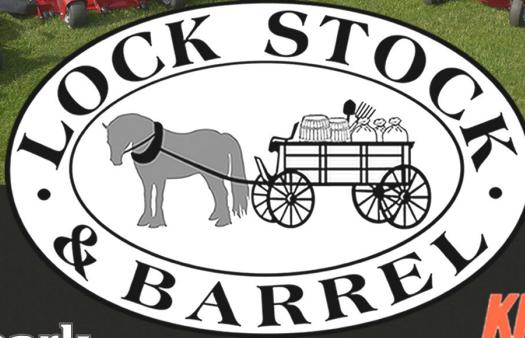
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