

WEEKLY MANAGEMENT REPORT

Jeff Bridges, Town Manager

March 24, 2016

TOWN MANAGER:



Due to the Good Friday Holiday and Easter Weekend:

Town Hall will be closed Friday, March 25, 2016

**Wethersfield Public Library will be closed Friday, March 25,
Saturday, March 26 and Sunday, March 27, 2016**

**There will be NO delay in refuse and recycling pick up this week.
The Transfer Station will be open Friday, March 25, 2016**

**Spring Clean Up Day – Saturday, April 2, 2016 Hours: 8:00 am – 3:45 pm
Wethersfield Transfer Station located at 100 Marsh Street.**

Annual Town Guide and Calendars are available in the Town Hall and Library

High School Renovation Project

Pictures of the Wethersfield High School renovation can be found on the Board of Education's website (www.wethersfield.k12.ct.us). To access, click on **Wethersfield High School Renovation Project**, then click on **School Construction**. This link will bring you to the Renovation Facebook page.

Prescription Discount Cards

PROACT mailed the CCM / Town of Wethersfield Prescription Drug discount card to all residents of the Town. Information regarding this program and prescription cards are available at Town Hall.

A. UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Saturday, April 2, 2016 8:00 am – 3:45 pm:** *Spring Clean Up Day* – The Town of Wethersfield is offering this day when residents can dispose of brush and branches, up to a ½ cubic yard, free of charge. Brush can be brought to the Wethersfield Transfer Station, 100 Marsh Street. Proof of Wethersfield residency will be required.
- **Saturday, April 2, 2016 & Sunday, April 3, 2016 9:00 am – 4:00 pm:** *Tags & Treasures Sale* – Calling all collectors of vintage oddities, artifacts and antiques! This event features hundreds of household items, small furniture, vintage pieces and historic estate items. Located at The Webb Barn, Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum. Admission is: \$5 Single-Day Adults; \$3 Single-Day Children. For more information please visit www.webb-deane-stevens.org.
- **Thursday, April 7, 2016 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm:** *Spring Business Expo* – This free event is open to the community and will feature local businesses. There will be informational seminars every 30 minutes about: Credit Card Processing and Chip Technology, 401K Plans, Business Insurance, Marketing and Social Media. Located at Keeney Memorial Hall. Exhibitors should contact the Chamber of Commerce for more information.
- **Saturday, April 9, 2016 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm:** *Taste of Wethersfield* – The Wethersfield Historical Society presents this 11th Annual event to be held at the Keeney Memorial Cultural Center. This fundraiser combines food, drink, community spirit, live music and a silent auction. For more information or tickets

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contact the Keeney Memorial Cultural Center, 200 Main Street. Ticket prices: Patron \$55 per person with early admission at 6:00 pm; General \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door with 7:00 pm admission.

- **Friday, April 22, 2016 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm:** “A Night to Remember” Spring Dance Fundraiser. The Friends of Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center present this annual event with proceeds benefiting their programs and scholarships. Live music by *Dually Noted*. This event is held at Pitkin Community Center. Tickets are \$25; available by calling the Nature Center 860-721-2980.

B. COUNCIL AND BOARD/COMMITTEE DATES:

- **Shared Services:** Tuesday, March 29, 2016 @ 7:00 pm

C. LIAISON MEETINGS:

- **Zoning Board of Appeals:** Monday, March 28, 2016
- **WHS Building Committee:** Monday, March 24, 2016 Deputy Mayor Barry
- **Tourism Commission:** Tuesday, March 29, 2016 Mayor Montinieri

D. DEPARTMENT/DIVISION NEWS:

HUMAN RESOURCES:

The Town is accepting applications for the position of:

Youth Development Manager: This position will close on *April 1, 2016 at 4:00pm.*

IT Technician: This position will close on *April 12, 2016 at 4:00pm.*

Temporary Clerk I – Office of the Tax Collector: This position will close on *April 14, 2016 at 4:00pm.*

Part Time Educator II – Animal Care Provider Specialist: This position will remain *open until filled.*

Part Time Clerk II – Town Clerk’s Office: This position will remain *open until filled.*

The Physical Services Department is now accepting applications for:

Temporary Summer Seasonal Positions – This position will remain *open until filled.*

You may now subscribe to e-notification to receive email notices of job postings. Go to wethersfieldct.com/human-resources/ and click on “Sign up to receive job postings”.

PARKS & RECREATION:

- The Parks & Recreation summer program registration will begin April 6, 2016 for residents and Friends of the Nature Center. Non Residents may begin registration April 7, 2016.

SOCIAL & YOUTH SERVICES:

- **AARP Tax Program** – AARP Tax-Aide is a free program providing income tax preparation assistance for low and middle income taxpayers of all ages, with special attention to those 60 and older. To schedule an appointment with a certified Tax-Aide counselor call Social & Youth Services at 860-721-2977. *To date 419 individuals have signed up for this program.*
- **Energy Assistance Program** - The Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) is now open around the state. The program is designed to help offset the winter heating costs of lower income households, especially those incomes that fall at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines; as well as households with elderly, disabled and/or children under the age of 6 with incomes between 150% and 200% of the federal poverty guidelines. *Guidelines: Family of 1 - \$32,514.56; Family of 2 - \$42,519.04 and Family of 3 \$52,523.52.* Wethersfield residents that fall within the guidelines may make an appointment with Social & Youth Services (860) 721-2977. All applications are completed by appointment only. *To date 353 households have applied for this program.*

PLANNING & ZONING:

- The Planning and Zoning Commission approved a 20 lot subdivision application submitted on behalf of Frank DiBacco, CCC Construction, LLC on Wednesday, January 20, 2016. The subdivision will be known as *Reservoir Estates*. Access to the development will be provided from Back Lane, two permanent and one temporary cul-de-sac are proposed. The road network is designed so that a connection can be made to an abutting subdivision located north of the property. The developer has also provided 3.6 acres of open

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space that abuts the Town owned 1860 Reservoir. Plans are available for review in the Planning Department.

E. PROJECT UPDATES:

ENGINEERING

- **Putnam Bridge Restoration:** DOT designing bike trail connections for Wethersfield and Glastonbury sides.
- **Wethersfield High School Building Committee:** Auditorium punch list this week. Final cleaning and sound balancing next week for turnover. Painting and ceilings continue in classroom wing.
- **Radio System:** Most punch list items have been satisfied. Town staff met with Harris representatives and the Town's radio consultant to discuss plans for final items
- **CRCOG Bus Shelter Replacement Project:** Contractor to begin construction in the spring.
- **CREC Discovery School:** TPZ working with CREC staff on rooftop HVAC screening.
- **Main/Marsh/Church Intersection:** Spring replanting of lawn as required.
- **CT DOT Traffic Signals:** Staff working with DOT on input for signal upgrades. Final plans in for Silas Deane Hwy @ Mill Street and Wells Road @ Willow Street.
- **BOE Security Doors Elementary Schools:** Bids awarded for Emerson Williams and the front entry of Charles Wright.
- **Emerson Williams Front Sidewalk Repairs:** Wespro will continue in the spring.
- **Millwoods LL Parking Lot:** All stone and grading completed; paving around island in April.
- **LED Streetlights:** Staff reviewing three firms for light purchase and LED conversion.
- **Spring Paving:** Work being scheduled for last week of April.
- **Wayfinding signs:** Project ramping up for the replacement of signs at the town building and completion of welcome signs.
- **Dam inspections:** GZA dam engineers to review and scope inspection of 9 town owned dams per DEEP requirements.
- **Route 175/Russell Rd:** CT DOT exploring concept of curbed islands for safety channelization from southbound off ramp off Rt. 15.

PHYSICAL SERVICES

- Work continues to get Town fields ready for school and league play.
- Park cleanup and maintenance continues.
- The Highway Division has been working on drainage projects on Wolcott Hill and Nott Street.
- The spring street sweeping program has begun.
- The Tree Division has begun to tag trees that are ailing and will need to be removed.
- Trades workers have been responding to work order requests.
- Clean up at the Cove parking lot is ongoing.

WETHERSFIELD HIGH SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECT

Week Activities – 03/28/16 – 04/02/16

Site Work

- Snow removal and de-icing as required during the winter.

Area B – Auditorium

- Theatrical lighting start up and training.
- Turnover date of auditorium – pending final railing inspection is 3/28/16 at 8:00 am.
- First event in auditorium is the 8th Grade Orientation on 3/28/16.

Area F – 500

- Taping hard ceilings in toilet rooms followed by painting the same.
- Install missing door frames at four locations.
- Complete install of MEP devices in ceiling grid.
- Flooring in classrooms to start on 3/28/16.

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- Ceramic tile in toilet on 3/31/16.
- Casework to start on 4/6/15.
- Start above ceiling inspections.

Area F – 300

- Completing MEP rough in and test same.
- Painting CMU walls and drywall.
- Rough in above ceilings.
- Drywall, tape and paint hard ceilings in toilet rooms.
- Ceiling grid to start on 3/23/16
- Flooring in classrooms to start on 4/6/16.
- Casework to start on 4/18/16.
- Ceramic tile in toilet to start on 4/7/16.

Area F – 100

- MEP rough in completing.
- Complete under-slab plumbing. Place slab infills.
- Complete CMU in toilet rooms. (Staff bathrooms)
- Framing and drywall wall furring and miscellaneous soffits.
- Ceiling grid starts the week of 4/6/16.
- Ceramic tile in toilets to start the week of 4/13/16.
- Floor in classrooms starts the week of 4/25/16.
- Casework starts the week of 5/2/16.

Area D – 100

- Plumbing under slab. Complete testing, backfill and place slab in-fills.
- Cut in roof drain bowls Tuesday, 3/29/16. Prepare for spring break roofing.
- Second shift lath/spray fire proofing starts 4/4/16.

F. **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:** www.wethersfieldchamber.com

G. **CCM:** 2015 Legislative Agenda

<http://advocacy.ccm-ct.org/Resources.ashx?id=dd744142-4339-48e5-beab-cf134d021b0d>

H. **CRCOG:** www.crcog.org

I. **MIRA:** www.ctmira.org (Formerly CRRA - www.crra.org)

J. **CRT:** **CRT 2014 Annual Report** www.crtct.org/en/news/publications

K. **COUNCIL OF SMALL TOWNS:** www.ctcost.org

L. **ATTACHMENTS:**

- **Social & Youth Services** — *Wethersfield Camp Fun Fun-draiser Flyer*
- **Environmental Impact Evaluation** - *Notice*
- **Friends of the Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center** – *Spring Dance Fundraiser flyer*
- **Chamber of Commerce** – *Upcoming Events Flyer*
- **Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum** – *Tags & Treasures Sale Flyer*
- **Department of Public Health** – *News Release*
- **Veteran’s Affairs Committee** – *Vietnam Veteran’s Day Ceremony Flyer*

You are cordially invited to a
FUN-DRAISER
For the
Wethersfield Camp Fund



**Lucky Lou's in collaboration with the Youth Advisory Board, and
Wethersfield Department of
Social and Youth Services is hosting a gathering**

Wednesday, May 4, 2016

Starting at 6:00pm

Lucky Lou's, 222 Main Street, Wethersfield

**Tickets are \$30 per person (cash or checks made out to Town of Wethersfield
Social and Youth Services-Camp Fund)**

Tax Deductible

Tickets Available at Social and Youth Services

Food and Entertainment

Cash Bar

With a little Luck, all kids can go to camp

The camp fund is donor supported and has been assisting families in need for 45 years. During that time, every family needing assistance has been helped. The fund serves about 100 children per year.

Please call Social and Youth Services with any questions 860-721-2977.

CEQ eHunt
Peter J. Hunt

The following EIE Notice has been submitted for review and comment.

1. Notice of EIE for Wildlife Hazard Deterrent Fence at Hartford-Brainard Airport

Project Title: Connecticut Airport Authority (CAA) Installation of a Wildlife Deterrent Fence

Municipalities where project is proposed: City of Hartford, Town of Wethersfield

Address of Possible Project Location: Hartford – Brainard Airport, Maxim Road, Hartford, CT

Project Description: This DRAFT Environmental Assessment (EA)/Environmental Impact Evaluation (EIE) was prepared to satisfy the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Connecticut Environmental Policy Act (CEPA) to address potential impacts associated with the installation of a wildlife deterrent fence while providing the opportunity for public involvement and comments, since the project is partially funded by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). The airport is a public-use General Aviation airport located entirely in the City of Hartford, Connecticut owned and operated by the CAA. **All action alternatives were found to *not* be reasonable, feasible or practicable upon preliminary review, and the project will not be implemented at this time.**

The purpose of the project was to enclose the entire Hartford-Brainard Airport with an 8 foot chain link fence with a 3 foot horizontal burrowing deterrent chain link "skirt" attached to the bottom and 3 strands of barbed wire on the top, in accordance with FAA specifications. The need for the proposed project is to protect aircraft and their passengers from hazardous conditions at the airport as a result of medium to large sized wildlife, including deer, coyote, raccoons and woodchuck, from entering the airport property. The airport is currently surrounded on the three landward sides by a wildlife fence. The project would have included inspection of and repairs to this fence, as well as the installation of additional fencing along a portion of the airport abutting Clark Dike and the Connecticut River.

Project Map of proposed action and alternatives: <http://public.ctairports.org/dl/HFD-Wildlife Fence/Plan/>. Click here to view a map of the project area.

Written comments on this DRAFT EIE will be accepted until the close of business on: May 6, 2016.

The public can view a copy of the DRAFT EIE at: <http://public.ctairports.org/dl/HFD-Wildlife Fence/Report/>.

Written comments about this DRAFT EIE should be sent to:

Name: Mr. Robert J. Bruno, Director of Planning, Engineering & Environmental
Agency: Connecticut Airport Authority
Address: 334 Ella Grasso Turnpike, Suite 160, Windsor Locks, CT 06096
E-Mail: environmental@ctairports.org

If you have questions on where you can review this DRAFT EIE, or similar matters, please contact:

Name: Mr. Robert J. Bruno, Director of Planning, Engineering & Environmental
Agency: Connecticut Airport Authority
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Phone: (860) 254-5516

A formal public hearing as *not* been scheduled. The sponsoring agency (CAA) will hold a public hearing on the draft evaluation if twenty-five persons, or if an association having not less than twenty-five persons, requests such a hearing within ten days of the publication of this notice in the Environmental Monitor, April 1, 2016.

The Friends of the Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center
present our annual Spring Dance Fundraiser

“A Night to Remember”

Friday, April 22, 2016

7:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.

Pitkin Community Center

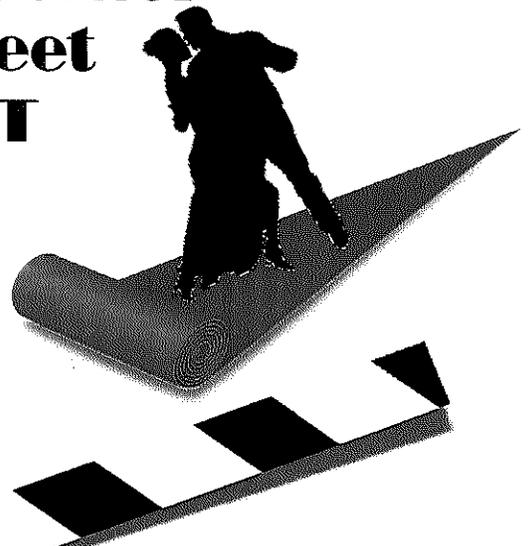
30 Greenfield Street

Wethersfield, CT



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Tickets: \$25

Call Pat at

860-306-2079 or

the NC at

860-721-2980



Join in the FUN:

**Live music, dancing, tea cup
auction, light refreshments,
and BYOB (set-ups provided).**



Friends of the Eleanor Buck Wolf Nature Center, Inc.
info@friendsofebwnaturecenter.org

www.friendsofebwnaturecenter.org
Friends of the EBW Nature Center





**Old Fashioned Fishing Derby
April 30, (rain 5/1)
Spring Street Pond**

*Wethersfield Residents only
Grades K-6 Must pre-register!*

8:00 AM - 9:00 AM - Gr. 5-6
9:15 AM - 10:15 AM - Gr. 2-4
10:30 AM - 11:30 AM - Gr. K-1

Sponsored by:
Park and Rec, Unico of Wethersfield, the MDC, and Wethersfield Fish and Game Club

**Keeney Kids Spring Program
Tuesday, April 12,
"Coming to America"
Wednesday, April 13,
"Adventures in Architecture"**

Keeney Kids from grades 1-6 will explore Wethersfield history through historical activities, tours, stories, and games at the Wethersfield Museum at the Keeney Memorial Cultural Center and surrounding historic sites.

More info and Registration

Business After Hours



Putnam Park, 100 Great Meadow Dr,
Wethersfield
March 24, 5:30-7:30 pm

Wethersfield Chamber Scholarship

2016 Applications now Available

*Wethersfield Resident -- 3.0 GPA, 10th 11th & 12th grade -- Graduating Senior
\$2000 to be awarded to a Wethersfield Student who will be furthering their education after graduation. No Essay Required.*

Deadline March 31, 2016

Wethersfield Chamber of Commerce is pleased to host



**Join us on
Thursday, April 7, 2016 4-7pm**

Keeney Ballroom, 200 Main Street,
Wethersfield,
Free Event ! Open to the Public !
No Charge to attend- **Please Register.**

- 4:00 Writing a Business Plan**
- 4:30 Commercial Real Estate**
- 5:00 Business Insurance/Disaster Recovery**
- 5:30 Navigating Social Media**
- 6:00 401k for every Business**
- 6:30 Credit Card EVM Technology**

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Town of Wethersfield Help Desk  
Small Business Association Info Table  
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Light refreshments provided by
Townline Discount Wine & Liquors
Cove Deli

sponsored by :

[RSVP Here](#)

"A Night to Remember"
Friday April 22, 2016
7:00 pm to 11:00 pm
Annual Spring Dance
Fundraiser
Live Music by Dually Noted
Dancing, tea cup auction, light refreshments, BYOB set ups provided
Tickets \$25 pp
call Pat 860-306-2079
Nature Center 860-721-2980



4th Annual
Wethersfield Chamber of Commerce
& Over the Hill Gang's
Spring Classic Car Show!
Saturday, April 23, 10am-2pm
Trophy Sponsors and Vendors
Welcome!



Saturday, April 23, (rain date 4/24) 10am-2pm
Dept of Labor Parking Lot,
200 Folly Brook Blvd, Wethersfield CT
Classic Cars \$10 Gate fee, Spectators are free!

Turnpike Motors

Multi-Chamber Event June 14th

Multi-Chamber Vendor Appreciation NIGHT!
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Turnpike Motors
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June 14, 2016
5pm - 8pm



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Ian Biggs Band

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DOG TRAINING & DOG RESCUE



Current Chamber members are welcome to set up a table at the event ! Contact MSmith@TurnpikeMotors.com for details

Wethersfield Chamber is invited to the Newington Chamber of Commerce 7am Networking Group Middlewoods of Newington 2125 Main Street, Newington

March 23: TBA

March 30:

"Spotlight speaker of the month" Carol Mon, "Beyond the Basics", a few tips about LinkedIn's new features, including client prospecting.

Current Chamber members-

Are you interested in networking and being visible in the town of Wethersfield? Do you enjoy meeting new people and like working on a team? The Wethersfield Chamber of Commerce is actively looking for two Chamber Board Ambassadors.

Please contact me at wethersfield@sbcglobal.net if interested

March 24 Business After Hours, Johnson Brunetti, 5:30-7:30pm

March 31 WVFD Beer & Wine tasting - Pitkin Center \$25 pp, Marty 860-563-0027

April 2-3 Tags and Treasures, Webb Barn, Adm. fee

April 7 Business Expo Wethersfield Chamber Event - 4-7pm Keeney Memorial

April 9 Taste of Wethersfield Keeney Memorial 7-9pm

April 23 Car Show with Over the Hill Gang, Dept of Labor Parking Lot, 10a-2p

May 11, Annual Meeting and Awards, Wethersfield Country Club, 5:30

[2016 Chamber Scholarship application now Available!](#)



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Fabulous Tag & Treasure Sale!

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, (9 am to 4 pm)

and

SUNDAY, APRIL 3, (9 am to 4 pm)

Admission \$5.00, \$3:00 for Children

Location: The Barn

Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum

211 Main Street, Wethersfield, CT

News



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
March 18, 2016

Connecticut Department of Public Health
Maura Downes, Director of Communications
O: 860-509-7270 ; C: 860-250-8391

DPH: STATE HEALTH LAB CONFIRMS FIRST CASE OF ZIKA IN CT

HARTFORD – The State Department of Public Health (DPH) today announced that the first case of Zika virus in Connecticut has been detected by its State Laboratory. According to DPH, the patient, 60-69 years of age, travelled to a Zika-affected area and had onset of illness on the day of return in early March. The patient’s illness was characterized by skin rash, conjunctivitis, fatigue, chills, headache, and muscle aches. The patient has been seen by a physician and is recovering.

In January, Governor Malloy directed DPH to test for Zika virus. The tests were conducted at the DPH Laboratory, which was approved for and began testing for Zika virus on February 29, 2016. The steps the State took to deliver testing in the DPH Laboratory resulted in expedited results.

“We encourage those concerned about symptoms to consult their doctor, particularly if they have traveled to an affected area and particularly if they are pregnant. We have been actively taking steps for months to prepare for a positive case, including expedited testing and a coordinated response across agencies. While the risk of transmission is low, we are nevertheless no doubt continuing that preparation to the extent that we can,” Governor Malloy said.

“I would urge all residents to avoid travel to affected countries, and if they must, to be vigilant. As we have previously said, a confirmed case was never a question of ‘if’, but ‘when’. Because of the preparatory steps we’ve taken previously, we are able to test more quickly and in-state,” DPH Commissioner Raul Pino said. “With hundreds of positive cases nationwide, across 34 states, I encourage residents to be vigilant. We at the state level are monitoring this case – and preparing for any future cases – with the utmost diligence.”

To date, 258 cases of Zika have been reported in 34 states and the District of Columbia. Of those, 18 were pregnant women and another six were sexually transmitted. In Connecticut, 198 samples have been received for testing, and 67 results have been received. Today’s result is the first positive test in Connecticut.

*****END*****

SAVE THE DATE



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VIETNAM ERA VETERANS ARE INVITED!

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GATES OPEN AT 1PM
CEREMONY STARTS AT 2PM
AT CT DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS' AFFAIRS
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WARTIME SERVICE MEDAL.
IF YOU HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED THE MEDAL, COME AND BE HONORED.

TICKETS REQUIRED- SPACE LIMITED

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WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2016
1:00 P.M.
STATE CAPITOL

WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS
~ Opening Ceremony and Remarks ~

Master of Ceremonies

Ted C. Graziani

US Army Vietnam Veteran &

Author of Bill No. HB-5352

AN ACT PROCLAIMING MARCH THIRTIETH TO BE
WELCOME HOME VIETNAM VETERANS DAY

Color Guard

The Marine Corps League Department of CT. Color Guard

Pledge of Allegiance

Ted C. Graziani

National Anthem

Isabella Perrone – Wethersfield, CT

4th Grade Student at Alfred W. Hanmer Elementary School

Reading of “Missing Man”

Paul Barry

US Marine Corps Vietnam Veteran

Remarks

Commissioner Sean M. Connolly

Lieutenant Governor Nancy Wyman

Major General Thaddeus Martin

Pattie Dumin, President of CT Vietnam Veterans of American

John (Reggie) Harrison, Air Force Vietnam Veteran

Joseph Godenzi, Army Vietnam Veteran

Speaker

Lorenzo Hall, Reporter – Fox 61

Closing Remarks

Ted C. Graziani



We are proud of the fact that in May, 2010 Connecticut became the second state in the nation to pass legislation designating March 30th (the day that the last combat troops withdrew from Vietnam) as “Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day”. Several additional states have since followed suit, recognizing the need to right an injustice.

Thank you for sharing, celebrating and remembering this historical date today. We must never forget those who fought for us and those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for us.

Special Thanks To:

American Legion

American Freedom Defenders

AMVETS

Buffalo Soldiers Motorcycle Club

CT Military Corvette Club

CT Patriot Guard

Disabled American Veterans

Hartford HOGS

Hispanic American War Veterans of CT

Jewish War Veterans

Korean War Veterans

Marine Corps League

Military Order of the Purple Heart

VFW

Vietnam Veterans of America

& all those who serve those who have served.

**You have all been very instrumental in making
this state one of the finest in the Nation for
Veterans.**