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WaylandNews

The weekly newsletter for Wayland residents

November 22, 2022

Hello Kim,

It seems like there is a lot going on in Town Government:



- The Town is going through the hiring process for a new Town Administrator, with the [search committee's](#) work underway
- The Police Department [welcomed two new police officers](#), and dedicated their new badge. Video of the Police Department's Nipmuc Badge Dedication is [online here](#)
- The School Committee held a highly controversial session a few weeks ago debating whether to put the Superintendent on leave while they conduct an investigation. They now face an [OML complaint](#) regarding that session (Disclosure: submitted by WEN Executive Director Kim Reichelt) that questions the Committee's process. The School Committee's next meeting will be held after Thanksgiving break.

Need help in a mental health crisis?

Available resources include:

- **Mass Mental Health Crisis Line** Call toll-free at (877) 382-1609. [On the web here](#)
- **Advocates** 24-hour access number: 800-640-5432 (Office that serves Wayland). [On the web here](#)

Our events calendar is [online here](#).

Have a safe and wonderful holiday weekend!

If you have items to add to our calendar or announcements to make, please email us at info@waylandnews.com or [visit here](#)

[Visit our Website](#)

Submit your Events and Announcements

If you would like to submit a post on our website, [click here](#) for information on how to add your post. You can also email us at info@waylandnews.com

Kim Reichelt, Executive Director &
Editorial Board: Ian Hecker, Editor-in-Chief and Lawrence J. Krakauer

Wayland News

Latest News

- [OSHA investigating after worker falls 20 feet at construction site in Wayland](#). The Occupational Safety and Health Administration has been called in to Wayland after a worker was seriously injured during a fall at a construction site.
- [Wayland Releases Documents Related To Chief's Sudden Departure](#). The longtime officer hired as the Wayland police chief late last year was placed on leave in the spring over unspecified job performance issues, newly released town records show.
- [Wayland Police Department welcomes two new officers](#). Officers David Fors and Joseph Mancuso were sworn in on Monday, Nov. 14 during a ceremony at the Wayland Public Safety Building.
- [Wayland Police unveil new badge honoring Wayland and the original Nipmuc people of Wayland](#). As part of Native American Heritage Month, Acting Chief Ed Burman is pleased to share that the Wayland Police Department unveiled its new badge, which honors Wayland and local Nipmuc Nation Native Americans, at a ceremony last week. Video of the dedication is [online here](#).
- [WayCAM production manager marks a decade of service](#). Upon completion of ten years of service to Wayland's Community Access studio, WayCAM, Production Manager Mark Foreman reflected recently on the path his career has taken. From his early days learning new equipment to the recent challenges of keeping the studio operational during a pandemic shutdown, Foreman has embraced the pace of community television.

News articles on WaylandNews

Philanthropy, Fundraising & Volunteering

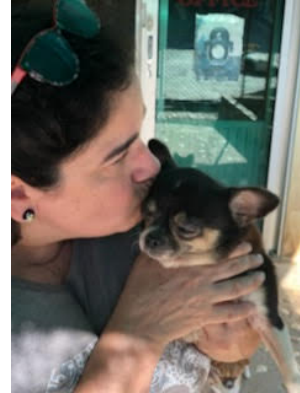
How you can help...

You can access the announcements below on our website:

- [Volunteering](#)
- [Charity & Fundraising](#)

Shop to support Save the Strays International

Yes, its the holidays, and yes, another donation request, but this time, hopefully you find something cool, and we get much needed funds to meet the ever growing requests to save and care for these sweet dogs. Wayland veterinarian Amy Shroff has recently formed Let's Save The Strays International. It's a 501c3 organization dedicated to giving care to strays in underserved nations where others will not go. These sweet souls need a voice- thats our mission. What makes this organization different from some of the larger ones asking you for money?



- We are a volunteer only organization where every cent they raise goes directly to the animals.
- We are a grass roots group dedicated to helping countries with no resource solve their own issues. We work with local communities and veterinarians to learn a better way to care for these strays.
- We are growing and reaching more and more communities with over 4000 dogs neutered, vaccinated, dewormed and cared for by the community they live in!

So come on! What are you waiting for? Help us raise money for Shop to Save the Strays International. Every purchase you make gives back right to our cause. Together, we can make good things happen. [Click here](#) to check out the cool stuff.

New Tutors Trained in Wayland Library's ESOL Program

Immigrants in our area who want to improve their competence in English now have greater opportunities. Six generous and enthusiastic people have recently completed a training course and are now certified to be tutors of ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages). These recent "graduates" include three from Wayland – Chris German, Ana Signorovitch and Lisa Vrigian; one from Sudbury – Barbara Kaplan; one from Framingham – Mary Mlodzinska; and one from Boston – Marian Ellwood. These new tutors, like those who were trained last winter, and some who have been tutoring for years, work one-to-one with learners from various countries. Learners recently matched with our tutors have come from China, Ukraine, Brazil, Guatemala, South Korea, Moldova and Venezuela. Much tutoring is now done remotely, with tutors are using whatever technology works for both tutor and learner, be it FaceTime, Skype, Zoom or simply phone and email. Other tutors are meeting with their learners in person.



As usual, we can put all possible tutors to work with waiting learners. The next tutor-training course will be offered in early spring, probably starting March. Tutors do not need to know another language, nor do they need to know every

detail of English grammar. For more information contact Ginny Steel at 781-541-4919 or at virginia@thesteels.com

Wayland Energy and Climate Committee Seeking Applicants for Student Member.

Student members will be expected to engage community members in climate awareness initiatives, participate in ECC projects, attend monthly virtual ECC meetings which are usually about one and a half hours, and bring a different perspective to plans and programs. The chosen candidate will also gain first-hand experience on how Town government works during the year-long term. Applicants should be passionate about addressing climate change and have available extracurricular time to devote to the ECC and Wayland's response to the climate crisis. They should anticipate being involved in about two hours of meetings monthly, as well as prep and projects for a few additional hours. Interested students are welcome to attend an ECC meeting to learn more about the members of the committee and what they do. Meetings are open to the public and can be found on the Town Calendar. To apply, students should send an email explaining their interests and qualifications, along with their resume to the Select Board c/o [Chris Costello](#). To view the complete position description, please [click here](#). Full announcement [here](#)



Attention non-school Wayland residents: Serve on Wayland High School's School Council.

The WHS School Council is looking for Community Representatives to serve for the 2022-2023 school year. If you are interested in serving, please nominate yourself by submitting a brief paragraph about yourself to the WHS PTO at waylandhighpto@gmail.com. Nominations will be accepted until Wednesday, November 23. This is a one-year term. Complete announcement [online here](#)



Donations sought for Lerner

Travelship. Student Travel is back at WHS! If you have a student traveler, or were one yourself, you know student travel can change lives! Curriculum comes to life, students use the language they have been learning in real-life settings, and friendships are forged with teens from other countries. The WHS Language Department is thrilled to offer European travel once again! If you would like to encourage students to take part, consider a donation to the Lerner Travelship, a scholarship fund for WHS student travel to France, Spain, and Italy. Your donation will help alleviate some of the costs for our high school students needing assistance, and to provide an enriching experience to students in your community. Please make your check out to Wayland High School, and bring it to Lorraine Keegan in the main office. Program flyer [online here](#)

*Student Travel ✈️
is Back at WHS!*

Serving Families for Thanksgiving With Your Help.

Each year the Celebration International Church's Food Pantry provides aid to hundreds of families for Thanksgiving. We call this annual initiative Operation Turkey Express and it's one of our favorite annual events. Many families have come to depend on us for their turkey and Thanksgiving fixings. We are looking forward to sharing hope with them once again on November 19th. Details can be found on our calendar www.cicalive.org/events.

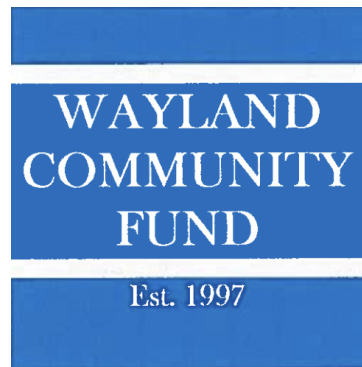


We would like to extend an invitation to any who may be needing some assistance. If you know of someone who is facing food uncertainty, we'd love to help. Share this information with them and encourage them to sign up, it's 100% free and simple. They can reach out to our church office at 508-653-6864 and we'll gladly assist them in getting registered.

Secondly, I'd also like to share our own need in case anyone in the community could assist us financially with a donation. Our turkey supplier was unable to fulfill our order for 400 turkeys due to the supply chain shortage. They recommended giving families a gift card in lieu of the turkey. That is not ideal since so many depend on us for a turkey, and supplies are limited at those supermarkets. After contacting numerous vendors, our only option has been to purchase these turkeys at triple the cost. We operate on a tiny budget and this setback would eat up our entire annual budget. Thankfully we're all set with the other food items, we just need help to buy the turkeys. Any financial help, whether small or large, would go a long way! Donations can be made payable to: CIC and marked for Food Pantry. We're located at 6 Loker Street, Wayland, MA 01778.

Wayland Community Fund serving Wayland residents temporarily in need of financial assistance. Please call us if you need help!

[The Wayland Community Fund](#) (WCF) provides short-term emergency financial assistance to Wayland residents who have lived in Wayland for at least one year. WCF provides funding for basic needs such as utilities, rent, food, medical bills, and other living expenses. Please call us if you need help with your bills, 508-358-3624 or go to the town website for an [application](#).



Join the MRC! New Medical Reserve Corps Volunteers are always needed!

We have a great group of volunteers, however, we would love to recruit new members. If you are interested in helping out your community and would like to volunteer please contact the Health Department at Health@wayland.ma.us.



Upcoming Meetings

Meeting Schedule for The Week: See the Town Website's Calendar [online here](#). Please check the online calendar for the latest updates, as meetings noted below could have been updated (change in date, time or location) since we captured them. Also, some meetings could have been added since we collected the calendar information.

Please check the [Town Calendar](#) to confirm meeting times, locations and agenda. There can be updates from when we capture the schedule below.

Note: Links to all remote and hybrid meetings are available via [this page](#)

Monday, November 21

- Board of Registrars, 3pm
- Board of Assessors, 5pm
- Town Manager Screening Committee, 6pm
- Select Board, 7pm
- Board of Public works, 7:15pm

Tuesday, November 22

- [Planning Board](#), 7pm

Wednesday, November 23

- No meetings scheduled

Thursday, November 24

- No meetings scheduled - Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 25

- No meetings scheduled - Day after Thanksgiving

Announcements

New Listings

The latest from the Wayland Library (full newsletter [online here](#)).

Note: Most events require registration. Please visit the [Wayland Library calendar](#) for registration links.

Adult Services:

- **Thanksgiving and Columbus: Taking Back the Narrative** (November 21)
- **Winter Watercolor Painting for Adults** (November 29)
- **Exhibit: Vital Vibrant Visible** (through Nov 28)
- **Nutcrackers: A Colorful History** (December 1)



- **Author Talk: Geraldine Brooks and Horse** (December 6)
- **Great Presenters: Prof David Hackett Fischer** on his latest book *African Founders: How Enslaved People Expanded American Ideals* (December 6)

Save on Streaming Fees—Watch Library DVDs. Sure, it made sense to subscribe to Netflix or Hulu in that year of the Big Shutdown. But now that it's okay to (carefully) come out again, you can stop paying to watch TV. We have a terrific selection of DVDs featuring your favorite British mysteries on Acorn and PBS, the great classics you'll find on TCM, and the latest foreign films. If you're still leery about coming inside, we offer curbside pickup. Either way, you can stop shelling out every month for fees, and put that money towards popcorn.

For Babies, Toddlers and Preschoolers (*registration required, zoom access available*):

- **Indoor Storytime with Ms. Leslie** (Tuesdays, Nov 29 and Dec 6, 13 and 20)
- **Indoor Storytime with Ms. Pam** (Thursdays, Dec 1, 8, 15 and 22)

For Elementary School (check for registration via library calendar):

- **Thanksgiving and Fall Crafts with Ms. Elise** (November 23)
- Catapult Tournament (November 30)
- Lego Club (December 7)
- 3D Design Workshop: Sliding Lid Box (December 8)

For Teens:

- Switch Tournament (December 9)

For All Ages: Jazzy Holiday Concert with Thomas Meunier and Cindy Lou.

Come to the library for some holiday cheer! Local musicians Thomas Meunier and Cindy Lou will perform a Jazzy Holiday Concert for all ages. Refreshments will be provided by the Friends of the Wayland Library. We will meet in the Rotunda. Sunday, December 4, at 3:00 p.m. This event is a part of the Wayland Community Holiday Open House.

Holiday Open House in the Center of Wayland – All are Welcome.

As many of you know Wayland Center, pre-COVID, was alive with festive activities at the Wayland Historical Society's Grout-Heard House Museum, the Wayland Free Public Library, the Depot, the First Parish Wayland, and in more recent years, Arts Wayland. We're back! So, mark your calendars to visit each one of our historic buildings on December 4, 2022 from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM for an indoors and in-person Open House!



The Grout-Heard House Museum (GHHM), will be decorated by the Wayland Garden Club; the Girl Scout Tree will again be in the Stone Room; visitors will be invited to tour the house; music will be provided and children may engage in a game while touring the house. Our only change is that guests will receive goodie bags containing refreshments to take home rather than refreshments served at the house. Musical entertainment will include two high-school groups. At 2:30 PM a string quartet will perform. At 4PM, the Madrigals, an acapella group, will sing.

At the Wayland Free Public Library there will be entertainment for children and music for all ages. In the middle of the afternoon (3 PM) local musicians Thomas Meunier and Cindy Lou have been booked for a holiday concert with a jazz twist.

Toward the end of the festive afternoon there will be a traditional Carol Sing at the First Parish-Wayland with the New Horizon Band at 4:30 PM.

Throughout the afternoon you may want to linger at the Depot (open from Noon to 5:00 PM) to shop for unique presents for those on your gift-giving list.

Please join us on December 4 th from 2:00 to 5:00 for this festive occasion and bring family and friends. All are welcome at the GHM, the Wayland Library, the Depot and the First Parish Wayland.

Town of Wayland Encourages Residents to Enroll in New CodeRED Emergency Alert System. The Town of Wayland encourages residents, employees and businesses to **sign up for CodeRED**, the Town's new emergency alert system. The CodeRed Emergency Alert System is a free community notification system available in Wayland that sends alerts concerning time-sensitive and emergency information that may impact the area.



Emergency alert notifications may include missing children or missing persons, criminal activity, fires, drinking water contamination, utility outages, various threats to people or the environment and other incidents as deemed necessary by Town public safety officials. Those enrolled also may receive timely non-emergency alerts, including road closures, snow plow schedules and more. The alerts are sent to residents via phone call, text message, email and social media.

All community members are invited to register for the CodeRED notification system to receive important alerts and updates. To sign up for these informative, lifesaving alerts, please click here. Registration is customizable, allowing users to choose which alerts they'd like to receive, as well as preferred ways like text, email, cellphone, landline and more.

Community members are encouraged to download the CodeRED Mobile Alert app available in the App Store or Google Play after they sign up to receive alerts.

Upcoming Events and Classes from Arts Wayland:

The November Art Exhibit: Through November 30th, Online. Take some time to view the spectacular collection of art in Arts Wayland's online November exhibit. The genres range in style, and the talent on display is second to none. The Annual Holiday Marketplace Presented by Arts Wayland



Holiday Block Printing Class, First Parish in Wayland on Saturday, December 3 from 12 pm to 2 pm

Come make fun holiday cards in this beginner linoleum block class. All materials will be provided for this class. You will learn the basics of the multi-step process of producing a print and carving from a linoleum block. The workshop covers a basic history of a block print and a walk through of each step from drawing an image that will bring a successful print, to transferring the image to the block, carving the block, and tricks for printing your carved linocut. By the end you will have gained the tools and knowledge to go and make handmade cards for all seasons and unique pieces of art on your own.

Wire Wrapped Ring Workshop. Join Neela Kiely on Monday, December 5th from 6 pm to 8 pm at The First Parish in Wayland for a fun and social workshop where you'll learn wire wrapping technique to make beautiful rings! You will use sterling silver wire and choose from a variety of colors and materials such as sea glass and crystal to style your creation, and just in time for the holidays you will take home a beautiful gift for yourself or someone else. The cost for the workshop is \$55 and includes materials.

Mosaic Tapestry Workshop, 111 Riverview Ave, Waltham on Sunday February 12th from 9:30-4:30. In this popular hands-on workshop, you'll learn how to combine simple and complex patterns to create a mosaic tapestry or carpet. You will make a 5" X 10" tapestry by creating intricate designs using Italian murano glass millefiori, glass, jewelry, fabric and beads. Design templates will be provided. No grouting required.

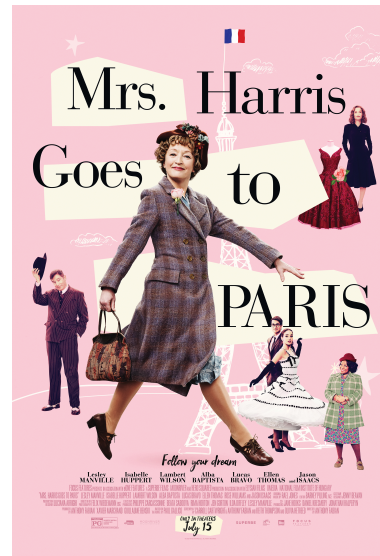
First Parish in Wayland: Dare to think Smaller. Please join us on November 27 at 10am for a service on the topic, "Dare to Think Smaller." What would happen if we stopped worrying about other people's expectations for our lives or what we think we are supposed to do, but instead, dug deep



into the authentic life that is just right for us? Intern Minister Alyssa Lee will lead the service. For in-person attendance, please see our latest **Covid protocols.** You may also watch our services on YouTube or contact our office for Zoom information. To sign up for our newsletter, **click here.** First Parish in Wayland (225 Boston Post Rd.), a Unitarian Universalist community, extends a warm invitation to everyone interested in joining our services. Our vibrant, multigenerational community offers a sanctuary for diverse beliefs and passions. We joyfully offer our hearts and hands to build a more just, compassionate, and sustainable world. All are truly welcome, including LGBTQ+ persons. For more information, please visit uuwayland.org or call 508-358-6133.

From the COA

COA Movie Matinee: Mrs. Harris goes to Paris. On Wednesday, November 30 at 1:30 p.m., join us in the Council on Aging for "Mrs. Harris Goes to Paris." In partnership with the House of Dior, the movie tells the story of a widowed cleaning lady in 1950s London who falls madly in love with a couture Dior dress, and decides that she must have one of her own. After she works, starves and gambles to raise the funds, she embarks on an adventure to Paris which will change not only her own outlook, but the very future of the House of Dior. Starring Leslie Manville. (Comedy/drama, 2022, PG, 2 hrs.) Enjoy popcorn and cold drinks, on the house. Reserve a spot by contacting the COA at 508-358-2990 or coa@wayland.ma.us.



Trip to Encore Boston Harbor Casino. On Tuesday, November 29, let the COA do the driving to the Encore Boston Harbor Casino! Our van will depart the COA at 9:00 am and return at 2:00 pm. Cost: \$20 for transportation only. Curious about the casino? Join us as we head to Everett to take in the architecture and artwork including the \$28 million sculpture of Popeye and holiday decorations! Enjoy five-star dining, gaming, shopping and more, including views of Boston on the outdoor Harbor Walk. Dine at one of the many restaurants or just spend time exploring. Reservations required. Contact the COA at 508-358-2990 or coa@wayland.ma.us.



Weston COA Local and Global Group to Discuss Mid-Terms. On Thursday, December 8, the Local and Global Discussion Group of the Weston Council on Aging will undertake an analysis of the mid-term elections, which are widely viewed as a referendum on President Biden's leadership – or lack thereof. Major topics are likely to be the economy, inflation, the cost of energy, abortion, and immigration, although there are likely to be others. The meeting begins at 1:15 pm in person at the Weston CoA, with an opportunity to join virtually on Zoom. Call the Weston CoA at 781-786-6280 for more information or to register.



Announcements from Prior Newsletters

[Wayland Fire Department Invites Community Members to Sign Up for Free Friends & Family CPR Course](#). Chief Neil McPherson announces that the Wayland Fire Department is offering a free Friends & Family CPR course in December and encourages those interested in learning more about this lifesaving technique to sign up.



WHEN: Friday, Dec. 9, from 9-11 am
WHERE: Public Safety Building, 38 Cochituate Rd

WHAT: The free Friends & Family CPR program is an American Heart Association course that focuses on hands-only CPR, as well as responding to choking emergencies.

This course is intended for those who do not need a course completion card for a job or other requirements. Friends & Family CPR is ideal for community groups, parents, grandparents, caregivers, schools and students, and anyone interested in learning how to save a life.

The Department hosts Friends & Family CPR courses quarterly. To sign up for the course and for more information, please email Firefighter [Mitch Mabardy](#). The signup deadline is Monday, December 5.

Additionally, the Wayland Fire Department also offers additional courses in CPR/First Aid for individuals and groups seeking completion cards. These courses also may be scheduled by emailing Firefighter Mabardy. Additional fees may apply.

Holiday Stroll & Tree Lighting @ Wayland Town Center The Wayland Town Center. Wayland Town Center's 2022 Holiday Stroll & Tree Lighting will take place on Saturday, December 10, 2-5:30pm. Tree Lighting on the Green at 4:30pm Courtesy of Russell's Garden Center. Be sure to tag the Wayland Town Center in your photos on Facebook & Instagram using [#WaylandTownCenter](#). Sign up for their [email list here](#) to be notified about more events right to your inbox.



Have you been to the Wayland Depot lately? Stop in for local, creative, unique gifts, jewelry, pottery, and Wayland Booster apparel. The historic shop is located in the restored 1881 train station along the Mass Central-Wayside Rail Trail in Wayland Center. Shop local, shop small, and support the community. Wednesday – Saturday, 12pm – 4pm
One Cochituate Road, Wayland, MA 01778
thewaylanddepot.com 508-358-5386



Wayland seeks Sustainability Manager. Wayland is hiring its first Sustainability Manager. The Town is looking for terrific candidates to work with our Energy and Climate Committee and dedicated a Facilities Director. The Town recently developed its [Climate Action Mobilization Plan](#); the Sustainability Manager will help to implement the plan. This is a terrific opportunity to move the needle on climate issues, working with [a highly motivated community](#). The job is posted [online here](#)



Golden Tones Chorus is back - come sing with us! Created in Wayland in 1988, Golden Tones chorus offers a non-auditioned, come-when-you-can singing opportunity for MetroWest people of retirement age. With weekly

daytime rehearsals September through May, and now booking live concerts for the community, the chorus welcomes anyone who loves music. No choir experience? No music-reading skills? No worries! We make it easy and fun! Visit us at goldentones.org, email office@goldentones.org, or call us at 508-318-6318.



Office hours with Select Board member Adam Gutbezahl. Select Board Member Adam Gutbezahl invites you to attend his weekly remote, virtual office hours. Please feel free to sign up to ask questions, discuss topics of interest, or simply say hello. Office hours are held on Wednesday evenings from 7:30-9pm and Thursday afternoons from 12-2pm. You can reserve an appointment [online through Calendly](#).



Office Hours with Senator Rausch: Senator Rausch has shifted her monthly in-person office hours to remote, virtual office hours held on Fridays. Conversations with the Senator and her staff will take place via phone call or video conference. During these virtual office hours, residents from any part of the Norfolk, Bristol and Middlesex District are welcome to share their questions and opinions on state issues with Senator Rausch and her staff. Any constituent may reserve a 15-minute appointment. [Click here](#) to sign up for a slot.



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