



Stabile Roams the Halls of Wolcott High with a New Perspective

BY VINCENT FROSLONE

Sarah Stabile, the new geometry teacher here at Wolcott High School, has come to spread the pleasure of math to her students. She has blossomed from a intelligent, active member of Wolcott High as a student, to an inspiring and passionate math teacher.

While she was in high school, none other than our own Wolcott High, chemistry and math were her favorite subject.

Mr. Pape, her senior class advisor, remembers her fondly, saying "She was a big part of everything her senior class did that year. I knew she would be successful in what ever she did."

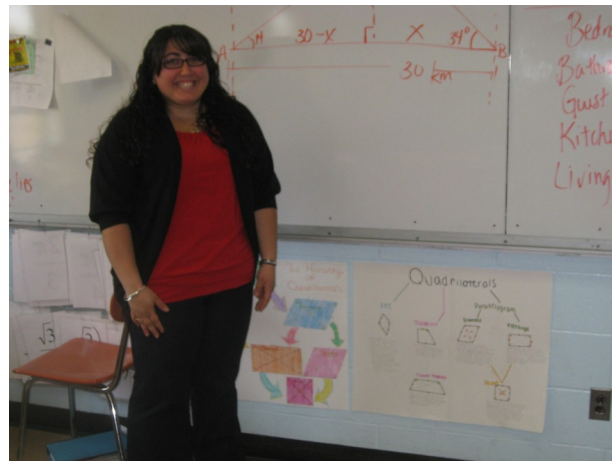
Her passion for learning developed into a passion for teaching. While she was in school, she helped out at the Latchkey Program, a local school program for elementary students, for 6 years. She made the

decision to be a teacher because of her passion for learning and teaching, especially math.

She says " I wanted to share that passion with others so that they can be excited about learning too!"

So far she has been enjoying her time and new rank in the halls of Wolcott High. She loves each and every one of her students, "Each

one of them puts a smile on my face." Her only reservation is that the classes are only 45 minutes long.



Ms. Stabile has enjoyed her first year "back" at WHS!

She believes

that there is so much to do in too little time.

This hasn't phased her, and so far in her first year, her mission to spread the joys of math has been successful.

Wolcott High School provides a positive learning environment, where students are engaged in meaningful learning that develops the intellectual, creative, social, technological and physical skills necessary to prepare them for the next phase of their lives.

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If you would like to get involved or be a part of the **EAGLET**, see **Mr. Pape** in room **C240!**

Governor Dannel Malloy Signs Budget Bill

Gov. Dannel P. Malloy quickly signed an incomplete two-year budget recently that increases state taxes a record \$2.6 billion and

ups government spending \$875.8 million. The signing came after the Senate and House had approved the nearly \$40.2 billion budget bill.

Around the School

Thirty-Four Wolcott High School Students Inducted into the National Honor Society

On April 13, 2011, thirty-four high school students were inducted into the Amos Bronson Chapter of the National Honor Society. The National Honor Society was established in 1921 to recognize the highest achieving and most involved high school students across the nation.

The mission of the National Honor Society both then, and now, is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, and to develop character in secondary students. Junior and senior students with a weighted cumulative average of 90 and who have a demonstrated record of good character, leadership, and service were invited to apply for membership.

A five member Faculty Selection Council then reviewed the activity portfolios, teacher evaluations, academic, attendance, and disciplinary records of the applicants. During this process, names are removed from all records to ensure confidentiality and impartiality. Such selection process is in full compliance with those as recommended by the National Association of Secondary School Principals, the governing body of Student Activities in the United States.

The induction ceremony included a candle lighting ceremony and an explanation of the four cardinal principles of the National Honor Society: scholar-



ship, leadership, service, and character. Remarks were made by Mayor Dunn, Superintendent Mr. Macary, and WHS Principal Dr. Eberle. Many proud parents, grandparents, brothers, sisters, school administrators, and Board of Education members were in attendance.

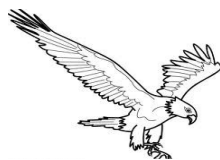
Wolcott High School athletic trainer Neil Glaviano was selected by the current members of the Honor Society as this year's honorary inductee. Mr. Glaviano was selected because of his dedication and commitment to the students of Wolcott High School. He can be seen at nearly every athletic event and has played a major role in educating players and coaches on the symptoms and dangers of concussions.

After the formal ceremony was over, the current members of the Honor Society performed skits to bring the principles of the Honor Society to life in a fun and memorable way. This has been a tradition since the first induction ceremony in 1960. This year the students really outdid themselves as they wrote and performed their own rendition of Glee: NHS Edition.

The Honor Society is advised by Michelle Thies and Deborah Witek. The Honor Society will finish out the year by sponsoring several scholarships to be given out at Senior Awards Night, choosing a Spring service project, and electing officers for next year.

SAVE THE DATE!

- May 17th**– Super Senior Banquet 7 p.m.
- May 28th**– Senior Prom, Aqua Turf
- May 31st**– Senior Class Trip to Six Flags
- June 7th**– Graduation Practice, Periods 1 and 2
- June 14th**– Graduation Practice, Periods 1, 2, and 3
- June 16th**– Exams 1 and 2
- June 17th**– Exams 3 and 4
- June 20th**– Exams 5 and 6
- June 21st**– Exams 7 and 8
- June 22nd**– Last Day of School, Graduation Practice at 10 a.m. Graduation at 7 p.m.



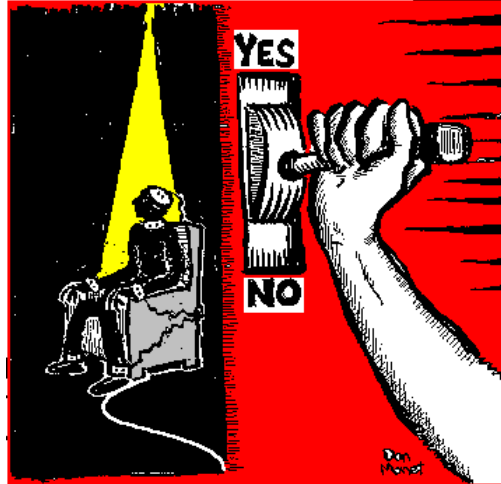
This Years New National Honors Society Members:

Jessica Barnet, Matthew Baxter, CJ Bergamo, Nicholas Bernier, Lindsay Cifaldi, Rebecca Darley, Connor Evelich, Alexa Farrell, Danielle Fournier, Aislyn Fredsall, Michelle Fusco, Gabrielle Gallucci, Jenna Gray, Nicki Greenstein, Sarah Kader, Devyn Kangas, Jessica Lavoie, Benjamin LeClerc, Leah Lesnikoski, Brittnee Maia, Faith Mierzejewski, Mackenzie Miller, Emily Reed, Katherine Rosner, Peyton Schultz, Susana Simoes, Meghan Skura, Stuart Sporko, Kim Stankus, Marija Stojanova, Danielle Trusch, Taylor Vanasse, Marissa Wall, Erin Ward

Governor Malloy Plans To Abolish Death Penalty By: Nino Napolitano

Connecticut Governor Daniel P. Malloy has made it clear that he has the intention to pass a bill that would abolish the death penalty in our state. If Malloy is successful, Connecticut would join the New England states of Maine, Massachusetts, and Vermont in having abolished Capital Punishment. Proponents of Capital Punishment argue that the death penalty is simply a way of serving justice to the most deserving offenders. Opponents feel that Capital Punishment is simply outdated and inhumane.

The state legislature is currently controlled by a democratic governor as well as a democratic house and senate. Several meetings are being held by opponents of the bill to try to convince lawmakers that passing it would be an enormous devastation to the friends and families who have been hurt the most by these notorious criminals.



It was not until recently that the death penalty has garnered an increasing amount of support from Connecticut voters. It gained much momentum after a horrific crime in Cheshire back in 2007 that left an affluent doctor severely brutalized and his wife and two children dead. The two men responsible for the crime are Joshua Komisarjevsky and Steven Hayes. Hayes has already been sentenced to death, while Komisarjevsky's trial has not yet begun.

A recent Quinnipiac University poll shows 67% of voters support the death penalty in our state, while only 28% oppose it. A final vote on this controversial bill is expected to take place later on in

the year.

If Capital Punishment is abolished in our state, Governor Malloy has pledged to have home invasion suspects Komisarjevsky and Hayes remain on death row.

According to Trina

Spring time, a time for new things; new love, new flowers and new beginnings. As June is fast approaching, a chapter of our lives is ending. Regardless of if you are a senior or a freshman, doors are closing behind you, and new ones are opening in front of you.

Take this opportunity to evaluate where you are and prepare for what's in front of you. Tie up loose ends so you can have a fresh start next year. It could be as simple as cleaning your room and making space for new stuff, or just getting rid of old things and bad memories. Spring time is full of new possibilities.

If you like where you are, good for you. But no matter what point in your life you are in, a student, a teacher, a parent, realize no one is perfect and there is always some way you can make things

better. Many people are afraid of new things, and the older you get it seems the harder it is to make a change.

Luckily we all have friends, you don't have to jump into anything alone. If it seems too much to tackle yourself then there's someone who can help you. If you feel like you don't have anyone to turn to, then there is surely someone who has the same goals in mind as you, and it could be the beginning of a new friendship. The only thing better than doing something great for yourself, is doing something great for someone else.

Let the long awaited warm weather, and the beautiful new flowers motivate you to do something beautiful in your own life, clear out the ugly and old and bring in the happy and new.

Favorite poems from our writers:

A Girl -Ezra Pound

The tree has entered my hands,
The sap has ascended my arms,
The tree has grown in my breast -
Downward,
The branches grow out of me,
like arms.

Tree you are,
Moss you are,
You are violets with wind above them.
A child - so high - you are,
And all this is folly to the world.



Rose Pogonias -Robert Frost

A saturated meadow,
Sun-shaped and jewel-small,
A circle scarcely wider
Than the trees around were tall;
Where winds were quite excluded,
And the air was stifling sweet
With the breath of many flowers, --
A temple of the hear.

There we bowed us in the burning,
As the sun's right worship is,
To pick where none could miss them

A thousand orchises;
For though the grass was scattered,
yet every second spear
Seemed tipped with wings of color,
That tinged the atmosphere.

We raised a simple prayer
Before we left the spot,
That in the general mowing
That place might be forgot;
Or if not all so favored,
Obtain such grace of hours,
that none should mow the grass there
While so confused with flowers.

On the Grasshopper and the Cricket -John Keats

The poetry of earth is never dead:

When all the birds are faint
with the hot sun,
And hide in cooling trees, a
voice will run
From hedge to hedge about
the new-mown mead;
That is the Grasshopper's--he
takes the lead
In summer luxury,--he has
never done
With his delights; for when
fired out with fun
He rests at ease beneath
some pleasant weed.
The poetry of earth is ceasing
never:

On a lone winter evening,
when the frost
Has wrought silence, from
the stove there shrills
The Cricket's song, in warmth
increasing ever,
And seems to one in drowsi-
ness half lost,
The Grasshopper's among
some grassy hills.

Book Review: The Perks of Being a Wallflower

By: Mikala Guyton

Charlie is experiencing what we all seem to feel from time to time; he is happy and sad, certain and confused. Essentially, Charlie is lost.

In the novel, **The Perks of Being a Wallflower**, Charlie shares all of these emotions and experiences anonymously by sending letters. I believe Charlie is more than just a character; he

is a symbol of all high school students. As soon as you start this novel, you will find yourself connecting with Charlie, empathizing for him, and encouraging him. The Perks of Being a Wallflower is a startlingly honest view of what it means to grow up and find your niche.

Throughout the story,

there are themes of friendship, love, and sexuality. It explores human connections and emotions. It dives into the pressures of being a teenager and the heartwarming feeling of friendship.

This new coming-of-age story is timeless, and will undoubtedly become a classic.



Sports & Clubs



A Season to Remember By: Nick Mastropietro

I advocated for UCONN's Chances to win a national championship all season long, and somehow it happened. This win alleviated the stress that had built up over the course of this roller coaster season.

As the final seconds ticked down on the clock, up by twelve, freshman guards Jeremy Lamb and Shabazz Napier bombastically hugged in the middle of the court. The UCONN bench blissfully stormed the court to celebrate UCONN's third national championship. Sophomore center Alex Oriakhi's intimidating disposition bothered Butler's shots all game, but now he was all smiles.

Who would have thought that a team that last year had not even made the NCAA tournament, and was losing their best two players, would next year come back with unheralded freshman,

and win the national championship?

And lets not forget about the unquestionable leader of the team, Kemba Walker. Throughout the month of March, Kemba had been battered and broken; good thing the word "tired" isn't in Kemba Walker's dictionary. His teammates did not get tired because Kemba wouldn't let them get tired. He willed them to a national championship.

And how about Jim Calhoun, who is now in an exclusive group of coaching three teams to a national championship. Not bad for a man of 68 years old, and a survivor of cancer.

So, thank you 2010-2011 UCONN Men's Basketball Team. This season won't soon be forgotten.

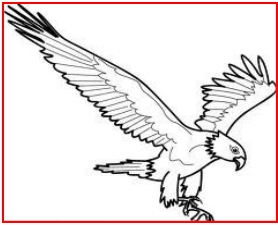


The Robotics Team 1071, Team Max, competed in the Northeast Regional Competition at the Hartford Convention Center on April 1st and April 2nd. Through 10 qualifying matches, Team 1071 finished in 10th place out of 58 teams and made it to the Final Elimination Round. The team was eliminated in the first round.

Wolcott Weightlifting Lifts Huge Win!

Wolcott wins 5th NVL weightlifting title, lifting close to 13,000 pounds. A huge congratulations to Coaches Joe Caouette and Pat Russo and all of our weightlifters'!





Above & Beyond

WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY SERVICE CLUB HELPS MAKE ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT A HUGE SUCCESS! By: Mikala Guyton

On Saturday, April 16th, Wolcott High School's Community Service Club volunteered at the Annual Easter Egg Hunt. The Community Service Club, along with the Leos and Junior-ettes, arrived at Woodtick recreational area bright and early to begin set-up. They scattered candy in taped-off areas and prepared for the raffle drawing.

Children, ages five to twelve, were greeted by the Easter bunny and given a raffle ticket. They then lined up and prepared for their

battle for candy. After the hunt, raffle tickets were called and many children won prizes such as bicycles and Easter baskets. One lucky kid even won a portable DVD player.

With around one hundred children, it was chaotic, to say the least, but there is no doubt that everyone had fun.



Always a popular event, this year's Easter Egg Hunt (above) was attended by over 100 children.

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