Westford Kiwanis

54th Apple Blossom Festival

May 10th – 14th 2023
Enterprise Bank
proudly supports the
Westford Kiwanis Club.

We wish you a fun-filled
Apple Blossom Festival!

Michelle Clement
Branch Relationship Manager, VP
We are deeply grateful to the many advertisers whose cooperation has made our program book and event possible. We respectfully ask all our friends and neighbors to review the program and patronize our advertisers and supporters. We would like to also thank the town of Westford and the Abbot School for supporting the carnival and parade. The proceeds from this event are given back to our community in the form of scholarships, financial support to student programs, senior center summer cookouts, as well as provide help to a neighbor in need.

Proceeds of the Apple Blossom Festival
• Scholarships to Westford Academy graduating seniors
  • Including 5 perpetual scholarships
• Support of the Westford Academy Band
• Support of the Westford Firefighters Pipes and Drums
• Support Cameron Senior Center programs and events
• Scholarship award to the Apple Blossom Queen Community Service recipient towards her future education
• Support of Scouts BSA Eagle project requests
• Support of Girl Scouts Award project requests
• Support of the Westford Historical Society and Museum

We also work with other community groups to provide them an outlet to promote awareness of their causes. While at the Festival please stop by and visit your neighbors and learn more about their causes.

Westford Kiwanis meets twice a month at 7:00PM

For more information, please visit https://westford.org/kiwanis
Everett “Bill” Olsen
Westford Kiwanis Person of the Year 2023

For more than half a century, Everett “Bill” Olsen has devoted himself to public education and to “his” many students. Bill started his public education career as a science and math teacher in 1970 in the Lowell, MA school system. In 1986 Bill became the Business Manager for the Westford public schools. He remained in this position through 1999 when he was appointed as the Interim Superintendent. Bill became the Assistant Superintendent in 2000. In 2006 he became the Superintendent of the Westford public school system. Under Bill’s leadership, the Westford public school system became one of the top districts in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Bill brought integrity, honesty, empathy and collaboration to the Superintendent's office. He had the ability to work collaboratively with other town departments to create new programs and to evaluate existing services. Bill created a safe and supportive culture that empowered the many stakeholders: students, parents, staff, and administrators to have a voice in the district. For example, Bill might ask a student, a staff member, a parent or a former student a question on curriculum and/or event effectiveness “How did you feel about this?” and used their responses to help drive forward or to make informed changes to programs like adding Mandarin and full day kindergarten.

It is not just his leadership that we recognize. The Children of Westford were always Bill’s number one focus. His decisions were based on the needs of the Children that he served. Bill had often been heard to say his highest priority was the Children of Westford. He could often be seen at elementary schools reading to young students or at middle and high school events participating in a theater performance or singing an occasional song with the jazz band. He saw and championed programs like the Bridge program at Westford Academy as a way to ensure the mental health and safety of students. At the end of the program's first year Bill reached out to students that had participated in the program and asked if and how they had benefitted. He used the responses received to confirm the viability to the district and made it a priority. The Kiwanis Club of Westford thanks Everett “Bill” Olsen for the many years of service he has provided to the children of Westford and to our community as we honor him as the Westford Kiwanis Person of the Year 2023.
History of The Apple Blossom Festival

I would like to take you back to May 19, 1935, the birth of the first Apple Blossom Festival in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It was made possible through the efforts of a small group of apple growers here in Westford. The Massachusetts Department of Agriculture, the State College and County Extension Services contributed to the support of their facilities. The then Governor of Massachusetts James M. Curley, was in attendance, addressed the crowd and crowned the Queen. The Queen being Miss Phyllis Wright, a student at Emerson College of Oratory, and daughter of William E. and Ruby Wright. After the ceremony, Governor Curley was invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Prescott, which was the Old Colonial Tavern at the head of Westford Common.

The following year, 1936, the festival idea was expanded to include the thirty eight towns comprising the Nashoba Apple Belt. Ten towns actively cooperated in celebrating; each choosing a princess as their representative at the Royal Court. The Queen and her maids of honor were chosen from Westford where the festivities were held. The Governor again showed his interest by crowing Mary Elizabeth Perrins, daughter of Mr. And Mrs. Arthur Perrins the second Nashoba Queen. Tours were outlined through the orchard districts and the idea took such a hold on the public that nearly 50,000 people passed through Westford on Apple Blossom Sunday.

The 1937 Festival had for its Queen Miss Portia Prescott the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Prescott. At that time Portia was a junior at Rogers Hall in Lowell, Massachusetts. Queen Portia was crowned by Governor Bradford. Portia was one of the tenth generations of Prescott's, who settled in Nashoba district nearly 300 years ago. The following girls were chosen to be the maids of honor to the Queen. They were Barbara Chandler, Ellen Keizer, Ellen Dudevoir and Leslie Swanson. This was the last year that the town of Westford was active in the Apple Blossom Festival.

It was not until 1968 that the rebirth of the festival was realized. The festival was brought back by the efforts of the Westford Kiwanis and have been an annual event since that time. The main event of the 1968 festival was a fish fry. Hundreds of pounds of fish were served to the public under a forty by one hundred foot tent erected on the Abbot School athletic field.

Each festival starts off with a lengthy parade consisting of two or more bands, floats, any town group who wish to participate, and most colorful of all is the Apple Blossom Queen and her maids of honor who ride in open convertibles furnished by town residents. There are rides for the children food and soda and other town clubs and organizations are invited to participate.

Research provided by Leo J. Connell (Past Historian Westford Kiwanis)
Choosing the Apple Blossom Queen Community Service Award Scholarship Recipient

Apple Blossom Queen nominees are selected by the staff of Westford Academy. The Westford Kiwanis provides the Westford Academy staff with guidelines to help them in the nomination process. The guidelines are as follows:
(1) A nominee must be a senior girl
(2) She should demonstrate a commitment of service to others
(3) She should be a good citizen
(4) She should be a positive influence on others.

There is no fixed number of nominees.

The Apple Blossom Queen Committee personally interviews each Queen nominee. The Committee chooses the Apple Blossom Queen Community Service Award Scholarship recipient based on the nominee who most exemplifies the spirit of the Westford Kiwanis through their service to others and being a leader in our community.

APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL
SPONSORED BY WESTFORD KIWANIS CLUB
SATURDAY MAY 25, 1968
Rain or Shine
Westford Academy School Grounds
From 12 p.m. on Fish Fry All You Can Eat
Special Drill by Westford - Chelmsford Minutemen
Crowning of the Apple Blossom Queen
Band Music Special Celebrities
Special Drawing for a Handmade 8 x 10 Afghan
Dancing in the Big Tent in the Evening
ADULTS $1.25

Ticket from the first Apple Blossom Festival
Proud to Support the Westford Kiwanis Apple Blossom Festival

James Arciero
State Representative 2nd Middlesex District
WESTFORD APPLE BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

Wednesday, May 10 - Sunday, May 14
Abbot School, 25 Depot St., Westford, MA

Join us for rides, games, food and family fun to benefit the Westford Kiwanis

Open weekdays at 5pm
Open Saturday at 11:30a
Open Sunday at 12pm
UNLIMITED RIDE SPECIALS DAILY!

Buy wristbands online at fiestashows.com and save on unlimited rides!

Visit www.fiestashows.com for details and purchasing wristbands
Proudly supports the Westford Kiwanis and the Apple Blossom Festival

Your real estate needs and best interests are at the heart of everything we do.

Carrie Perry, Todd Borchers, Robin Flynn, Edward Flynn, Sarika Bansal, Judd Braverman, Joell Mazza

978.257.0677 | RobinFlynn@kw.com
www.robinflynnteam.com
Westford Kiwanis Thanks
WB1GOF-Police Amateur Radio Team
(PART)
of Westford, Massachusetts
for supporting the annual
Apple Blossom Festival

DEANS FAMILY
CHIROPRACTIC

256 GREAT ROAD
PO BOX 751
LITTLETON, MA 01460
T 978.486.9531    F 978.486.0346
GETTING A NEW SMILE IS AS EASY as apple pie
with Reichheld Ting Orthodontics!

Our orthodontists have the training and knowledge to help you achieve a beautifully aligned smile. We offer:

- Personalized treatment plans for all ages
- A variety of affordable treatment options
- Convenient locations in Acton, Billerica, Lowell, and Westford

Contact us today to schedule your FREE consultation!
Congratulations Kiwanis for A Wonderful Apple Blossom!
The Mantville Family!

Leading Seafoods Inc
Westford, MA 01886
(978) 692-2472

ART IN ETCH LLC
ARTinETCH.com
We can customize - laser engrave:
glass - acrylics - wood - marble -
granite - powder coated,
anodize or stainless steel metals

Rick McNeil - 978-846-0669 - rmcneil@artinetch.com
Join us for this old school family style Cookout, to help support the children of our fallen military attend summer camps all over the U.S.

LIVE MUSIC, GAMES AND FUN

Games
Obstacle course
Crafts for sale
Food
Face-painting
Touch a Truck
Nerf Shooting Course
Kids Crafts
Memorial Wall
Lots of fun activities

MIDDLESEX COUNTY
4H FAIRGROUNDS
55 S CHELMSFORD RD,
WESTFORD, MA 01886

FREE EVENT
SATURDAY MAY 27, 2023
NOON – 4PM

Proceeds benefit Friends Never Forget, a non profit that supports gold star families. All proceeds will go to the Operation Camp program. Operation Camp sends the children of our fallen military (gold star) children to summer camps.

KLOSTERMANN ELECTRIC

Proudly serving Westford and the surrounding community for over 20 years.

Phone – (978) 589 9500
Email – joe@klostermannelectric.com
www.klostermannelectric.com
Sponsored By

Pozerycki Arpino Team

When Experience and Integrity Matters - Over 40 years of combined Real Estate, Marketing and Client Service

National Association of Realtors Top-Producing Award Winners

Top Selling Team - Recognized by Keller Williams New England

Culture Award Winners - Keller Williams Merrimack Valley

978.500.3336

978.621.0570
The Upper Merrimack Valley Medical Reserve Corps Wants YOU!

Would you like to become an ordinary hero? Our local MRC unit is looking for people just like YOU – who want to serve their community in times of need. Be part of the national program of 800 units with 300,000 members. We’re seeking both medical and non-medical volunteers – practicing and retired – to serve as their time allows, helping in disasters and offering public outreach. Visit https://umvmrc.org/newsletters/ to see how area residents just like you are making a difference across our region!

Learn new skills. Meet caring people through everyday health initiatives. Train to help in emergencies. Register through www.MAResponds.org and join our ranks TODAY!

UMV MRC Contacts:

Rae Dick, Director
978-399-2553

Nancy Burns, Coordinator
978-399-2549
nburns@westfordma.gov

www.umvmrc.org
A special thank you to our 2023 Apple Blossom Festival Fireworks

**Platinum Sponsor**

**Enterprise Bank**

A special thank you to our 2023 Apple Blossom Festival Host

**Abbot School**
2023 Apple Blossom Schedule of Events*

WEDNESDAY MAY 10
5:00 – 10:00PM Kiwanis Carnival Abbot School parking lot

THURSDAY MAY 11
5:00 – 10:00PM Kiwanis Carnival Abbot School parking lot

FRIDAY MAY 12
5:00 – 10:00PM Kiwanis Carnival Abbot School parking lot
9:30PM Fireworks Display Abbot School Upper Field
*(Rain date for Sat. night, 5/13. Weather dependent)

SATURDAY MAY 13
8:00 – 11:00AM First Parish Pancake Breakfast Main St.
10:00AM 2023 Apple Blossom Parade from Main St. at Graniteville Rd to the Abbot School
11:00AM Abbot School Pre-Ceremony Activity
   Westford Academy Band
11:30AM Abbot School Ceremony
   - Westford Academy Band and Raising of the American Flag
   - Invocation
   - Dignitaries Introductions
   - 2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominees Introductions
   - Kiwanis Person of the Year Everett “Bill” Olsen Recognition
   - Awarding of the Coveted Roudenbowl for Best Float
   - Crowning of the 2023 Apple Blossom Queen
   Community Service Award Scholarship Recipient
11:30AM–10:30PM Kiwanis Carnival Abbot School parking lot
3:00PM Jumbo Lobsters Raffle Drawing
9:30PM Fireworks Display Abbot School Upper Field*

SUNDAY MAY 14
12:00 – 5:00PM Kiwanis Carnival Abbot School parking lot

*(certain events are weather dependent and subject to change from printing date)
2023 Apple Blossom Parade **

Westford Police Department and Honor Guard 1F
Kiwanis Clubs of Westford & Lowell 2F
Keller Williams Merrimack Valley 3F
Westford Academy & Middle School Band 4F
Dignitaries 5F
2023 Kiwanis Person of the Year Bill Olson 6F
Westford Minutemen 7F
Westford Museum & Historical Society 8F
2022 Apple Blossom Queen Ragini Hassan 9G
Middlesex County Sheriff’s Department 10F
Enterprise Bank 11F
Westford Kiwanis Fireworks Float 12F
2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee 13G
Westford Scouting 14R
Westford Sportsmen’s Club 15F
Cub Scouts (Pack 95) 16F
2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee 17G
Walking Uncle Sam 18F
J. V. Fletcher Library 19F
Suburban-Ettes 20F
2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee 21G
Westford Education Association 22F
Westford Community Access Television, Inc. 23F
2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee 24G

** Subject to change from printing date
F = Main St. from Graniteville to Flagg Rd. R = Randolph Circle G = Graniteville Rd
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Sequence</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>25F</td>
<td>Westford Fire Department and Color Guard</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26F</td>
<td>Westford Fire Department Honor Guard</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27F</td>
<td>Jeanne D’Arc Credit Union</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28F</td>
<td>Westford &amp; District Pipes and Drums</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>29G</td>
<td>2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30F</td>
<td>Dream Ballet School</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31R</td>
<td>Westford Youth Soccer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>32F</td>
<td>Team Forever Young</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>33G</td>
<td>2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>34F</td>
<td>Flowers2Empower</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>35F</td>
<td>Friends Never Forget</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>36F</td>
<td>StormGears -- Middlesex County Robotics Club, Inc.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>37G</td>
<td>2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>38F</td>
<td>Spotlight Dance Academy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>39F</td>
<td>Kessler Karate Academy</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>40R</td>
<td>Westford Youth Lacrosse</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>41G</td>
<td>2023 Apple Blossom Queen Scholarship Nominee</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>42F</td>
<td>Gummy Bears FIRST Robotics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>43R</td>
<td>Nashoba Youth Hockey Association</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>44F</td>
<td>Fiesta Shows</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>45R</td>
<td>Westford Youth Baseball/Softball League</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>46F</td>
<td>World Class Martial Arts</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>47R</td>
<td>Knights Football &amp; Cheer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>48F</td>
<td>United Methodist Church of Westford</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>49F</td>
<td>Westford Highway Department</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>50F</td>
<td>Westford Fire Department</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

** Subject to change from printing date

F = Main St. from Graniteville to Flagg Rd.  R = Randolph Circle  G = Graniteville Rd
A special thank you to our 2023 Apple Blossom Parade
Westford Academy Band
Platinum Sponsor

Pozerycki Arpino

MERRIMACK VALLEY
KELLERWILLIAMS. REALTY
Each Office Is Independently Owned and Operated.

Kiwanis

Division 9 – New England and Bermuda
District of Kiwanis International

Kiwanis Clubs of
Beverly, MA - Danvers, MA - Georgetown, MA –
Greater Amesbury, MA - Greater Lowell, MA – Peabody, MA - Westford, MA
– Wilmington, MA – Woburn, MA

Proud to support the Westford Kiwanis
Annual Apple Blossom Festival

Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers
dedicated to improving the world
one child and one community at a time.
A special thank you to our
2023 Apple Blossom Parade
Westford & District
Pipes and Drums

Platinum Sponsor

Westford & District Pipes and Drums

Congratulations Westford Kiwanis 2023 Apple Blossom Festival

The Westford & District Pipes and Drums is a Fire Service Band serving Public Safety, the Military and the Public since 2008

Interested in this rich tradition join us no experience necessary
All are welcome to join Public Safety service not required

See our webpage for more information or contact:
Pipe Major Rick Tustin – rlustin@comcast.net
Pipe Sgt Don Parsons – abrat1200@gmail.com
www.westfordffpipesdrums.com
CONCORD OIL CO.  
A tradition in the Neighborhood  
978-369-3333  

Congratulates  
Everett “Bill” Olsen  
Westford Kiwanis  
Person of the Year 2023  

www.concordoilco.com
World Class Martial Arts
TAE KWON DO

2 WEEKS FREE Class
Only new students
Expires 6/30/23

Master Hwang:
Sunmoon University Tae Kwon Do Demo Team Captain.
South Korean NAVY 1 fleet Tae Kwon Do Instructor.
Call or Visit Website for More Details.
(978) 509 - 1739

301 LITTLETON ROAD WESTFORD, MA 01886
* WWW.westfordwcma.com * Facebook: world class martial arts
Daily Specials - Gluten Free Menu
Patios - Special Events
Westford - Marlborough - Maynard
Wrentham - Stoneham - Malden
110 Grill

Daily Specials - Gluten Free Menu
Patios - Special Events

Visit 110grill.com
Westford Web  Westford Directory
www.westford.org directory.westford.org

Community Information, Residential & Business Listings, Events Calendar, Non-Profit Groups, and much more!
“The Westford Directory since 1976”

On the web or search Westford Directory in the app store

Published by
The Roudenbush Community Center, Inc.
Print version of the Westford Directory available at Roudenbush & Town Hall
978-496-1707  contact@westford.org

Spring Hours
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Day</th>
<th>Time</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Mon-Fri</td>
<td>8am-4pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Saturday</td>
<td>8am-2pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>Closed</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

- Hemlock
- Dark Brown
- Premium Mix
- Fine Pine Black
- Compost/Loam Blend

Pricing and Promotions can be found through our website.
3 Yard Minimum For Free Delivery
Discounts Available On Mulch Deliveries Of 6 Or More Yards

Call 978-692-7985 To Order
www.raywilsonbarkmulch.com
First Parish Church United
48 Main Street Westford
Pancake Breakfast
May 13th
8:00AM until the parade!
Westford First Responders Eat For Free
Adults: $8.00 Children: $6.00

Free admission
80 Vendors

June 17th, 2023
10am - 3pm
On the Westford Common
Alysha Glazier

508 - 769 -1286
alyshaglazier@kw.com
alyshaglazier.com

3 Lan Drive
Westford, MA 01886
go...
Kessler Karate Academy

978-944-4537
kesslerkarateacademy.com

an alternative approach to a traditional art

We have moved!
New address:
12 Bridge Street, Westford, MA
Experience the joy
BOOK YOUR FREE TRIAL DANCE CLASS!

Outstanding Ballet Education, enrichment & wellness for all ages

WWW.DREAMBALLETSCCHOOL.COM
650-296-1717 | info@dreamballetschool.com
When you work at Goldfish, you’re not just an employee. You’re a part of something bigger. You’re making an impact; a splash in the lives of the children in your community. You’re moving forward a mission, you’re saving lives! And you’re making waves in your future, taking life lessons in and out of the pool through mentorship, leadership and passion.

• Now Hiring! Swim Instructors & Lifeguards
• Part-Time & Full-Time Positions Available
• Flexible Shifts
• Paid Training
• Advancement Opportunities

JOIN OUR CREW!

APPLY TODAY!
Healthier & Happier Women

- Strength & Cardio Training to boost metabolism, strengthen bones, and tone muscles
- Nutrition Coaching to help you get back in shape, increase energy, and stay active longer
- Accountability and support from our community of women and coaches

Try us for Free!

Schedule your FREE session to see how PRIME can help you reach your fitness & wellness goals.

Call or text Ana Lockwood to make an appointment! (781) 707-6443
American Thunder Fireworks, Inc.
The Finest in Display Fireworks!

196 Park St., North Reading, MA 01864
(978) 664-0057

American Thunder has been dazzling audiences with its pyrotechnic skill and artistry for more than 50 years. It has grown and undergone many changes, always adopting the most advanced and proven technologies for the present while preserving the best from the past.

americanthunderfireworks.com

Special coverage for the 2023 Apple Blossom Festival provided by

CAT
westford community access television
2023 Westford Kiwanis Apple Blossom Festival Queen Nominees

Alanna Saunders, Aria Chambers, Lauren Smith, Elli Tweedie, Meghna Kumar, Mia Burns, Olivia Olszowy, Mia Clark
Exceptional communities are built on strong foundations.

Standing with our community and all that makes it special since 1912.

That’s why we are proud to sponsor Kiwanis Club of Westford.
Congratulations and thank you to the Westford Kiwanis!