



COUNCIL OF NEIGHBORHOODS

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March 2026 Newsletter

Activities in March:

- Thurs 5th: North Meriden
City Park
7pm Meriden Public Library
- Sun 8th: Daytime Savings begins! Make sure to change the batteries in Smoke & CO detectors
- Wed 18th: Dutch Hill
ECHO
Lower Eastside
Hillside Gardens
Veteran's Assoc
6:30pm First Baptist Church
- Thurs 19th: Westsiders
Action 13
Lewis Ave
6:30pm Immanuel Lutheran Church
- Fri 20th: 1st Day of Spring!
- Tues 24th: South Meriden
Glen Hills
Stagecoach Riders
Crown Village
6:30pm Tom's Place
- Sat 28th: Meriden St Patrick's Day Parade 1:30pm East Main St-West Main St-Bradley Ave
- Sun 29th: Park & Rec Egg-Stravaganza Event 1:30pm-3:30pm Meriden Public Library

Meriden Police Dept Tip Lines

If you have any information or tips regarding crime, narcotics, or shootings you can report them anonymously to the Meriden Police Department by either calling or emailing the following:

Major Crime Tips: Telephone (203) 630-6253 Email: mpdtips@meridenct.gov

Narcotic Tips: Telephone (203) 630-6273 Email: mnarcoticsunit@meridenct.gov

Meriden Police Dept: Calls for Service & Interactive Reports

The Meriden Police Dept is offering a new tool to keep residents apprised of the Department's activities including the calls for service the police department responds to daily. The department is rolling out the first of the interactive reports which will be accessible on the City of Meriden website at: www.meridenct.gov/city-services/police/interactive-reports

Meriden Park & Rec Egg-Stravaganza Event Sun March 29 130pm-330pm Meriden Public Library

Come join the Council of Neighborhoods and the Meriden Police Dept NI Unit at the Egg-Stravaganza Event hosted by the Meriden Park and Rec Dept. Event will include community organizations handing out candy, Selfies with the Easter Bunny and an Easter Egg Hunt! Any questions contact with Park and Rec Dept (203) 630-4259.

Paws Animal Rescue Fundraiser

Meriden Animal Control has an animal rescue Saving Paws that takes in cats and dogs and sometimes other domesticated animals. They care for them and get them ready to be adopted to their forever homes. They are a nonprofit organization and are have some upcoming fundraisers to support the rescue. They are accepting returnable cans and bottles. If you have any returnable cans and bottles please consider to donate them to Saving Paws. You can drop them off at the animal control office at 311 Murdock Ave or the group will pick up donations at Meriden residences.

Reporting Potholes on City's streets

Potholes originate by freezing and thawing of the roads. If rain, sleet, or snow fall into cracks in the roads it will also freeze and expand disturbing the road's bottom layers causing the potholes to form. If you see any potholes as you are driving you can report them by completing a Request for Service form on the City of Meriden's website. Please drive safely!

City of Meriden Warming Centers

The following places are available for people to find relief from the cold weather:
Meriden Public Library: Open Tues 9:30am-8:30pm. Wed 9:30am-4pm. Fri and Sat 9:30am-5pm.
Meriden Senior Ctr (Hanover St entrance) Open Tues 8am-4pm. Wed 8am-3:30pm.
Fri 8am-4pm Meriden Warming Ctr 169 Colony St is available to individuals 18 and older. Open daily 7pm-7am. Families seeking shelter are encouraged to call 2-1-1.

Meriden City Code: Snow Removal from Sidewalks

As a reminder, as winter weather and storms are approaching per City Code the owner of any premises abutting a sidewalk needs to remove snow from the sidewalk within 12 hours after the storm. Ice needs to be removed within the space of 6hrs thereafter and during the daytime to make the sidewalk safe by removing the ice and covering the sidewalk with sand or a similar product and renew the application as often as may be needed to keep the sidewalk safe. Your cooperation with clearing the sidewalks is greatly appreciated!

Meriden City Parking Lots for snow parking bans:

When a parking ban has been declared the city provides off street parking at:
Columbus Park (Lewis Ave), Washington Park (Liberty St) Ceppa Field (Gale Ave)
North End Field (Britannia St)

City Park (Park Ave/Bunker Ave)
Municipal Lot (Catlin St)
Municipal Lot (St Casmir Dr)
79 Miller St (across from the library next to Mr Taco)
Orange/Cook Ave lot

Meriden Food Banks

If you or someone you know is struggling with food insecurity, there are resources available here in Meriden that can provide assistance:

1. CT Foodshare Mobile Pantry: Parking lot next to the Health Dept Every other Thurs. Next one Nov 6th. 1pm-2pm
2. Meriden Soup Kitchen: First Baptist Church 460 Broad St Mon-Fri 11am-12:30pm
3. New Opportunities: 22 Church St Mon-Fri 10am-3pm
4. Our Ladies Queen of Angels Church: 109 Goodwill Ave Mon-Thurs 8am-1pm. Meriden residents only
5. Meriden Pride Center: 328 Paddock Ave. Saturdays 12pm-3pm. Sundays 1pm-4pm

Meriden Free Little Libraries

Meriden Little Free Libraries asks for your patience with the ability to access some of the libraries around the city. Truthfully, some of them may not be accessible until the snow has finally melted away. Feel free to stop at other libraries to get a book or two to get you through the rest of this winter season. With dozens and dozens to choose from books are readily available for your perusal. Special thanks to the Meriden Kiwanis Club and their outreach clubs at the schools, including Platt high school, Washington Middle School and Thomas Hooker Elementary School for creating a wide variety of bookmarks and celebration of world bookmark day on February 25th. Please stop by a library to pick up a bookmark or two and appreciate the creativity of the students. As always, feel free to visit the Meriden Little Free Libraries Facebook page for information about upcoming promotions, literacy, and reading.

Daffodil Bloom 2026

Time to make the daffodils! The 2026 Daffodil Bloom is underway! Please start making crocheted or knitted daffodils for the next installment of Meriden's signature flower. The location and design are still undecided, so if you have any ideas, please let us know. Daffodils can be created in preferably acrylic yarn in natural colors, like yellows and whites with, cream, peach, pink or orange centers. The Meriden Public Library will have some yarn and patterns if needed, and you can drop off your finished daffodils there too.

