



Events:

The volunteer Semiquincentennial Committee has designed family-friendly activities to engage the entire community in the celebration.

January 1, 2026

Let Freedom Ring!

Ring in the New Year and the Semiquincentennial with the ceremonial ringing of the bells at the Wallingford Historical Society—a tribute to the spirit of 1776.

Saturday, June 20, 2026

Red, White & YOU Parade -

Wallingford hosts a patriotic parade complete with floats from local businesses, organizations and a kids' bike parade.

Shop, Sip & Stroll

The community can stay after the parade for a downtown Wallingford sidewalk sale and open-air Art Show.

Dine & Unwind

Festive food and drink offerings will be available at many of Wallingford's cafés, restaurants, or pubs.

American Dance Revolution!

Residents can stay and enjoy a Block Dance with Wallingford's favorite music DJ Johnny Rozz, spinning feel-good tunes for all ages—from classic hits to current chart-toppers.

Sunday, June 21, 2026

Porch Beats & Patriotic Seats:

PorchFest is back with a patriotic twist. From front stoops to shaded porches decked out in red, white and blue, local bands and musicians will fill the uptown streets with the sounds of country, rock, jazz, and folk.

Red, White & Hue: WACA Art Show

Residents can stroll between musical venues and take in the Wallingford Arts & Culture Association's Semiquincentennial Art Show.

Freedom & Fun: Family Day on Choate Campus

Family fun day with a food and ice cream trucks, kid-friendly activities such as face painting, petting zoo, and magical entertainers.