The original time line is based on a Rocky Hill Time Line by Roderick Wilscam for an article in the Rocky Hill Post. The last entry was in 1961 so it is likely that the Post article was written on this date. The Rocky Hill Historical Society’s 1995 calendar included a timeline that elaborated on the one in the Post. That is also included here.

Information from Wilscam’s timeline and the 1995 calendar information has been ad dedusing articles from the Historical Hartford Courant and documents in the library of RHHS.

In addition to events in the Wilscam and 1995 calendar timelines, events which were clearly of historical importance, such as completion of Interstate 91 through Rocky Hill have been added.

This is a living document; it is update periodically.

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| **DATE** | **EVENTS** | **CATEGORY** | **NOTE** | **SOURCE** | **QUESTIONS** |
| 1600/00/00 | Wongunk Indians may have settled in Rocky Hill | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1633/00/00 | John Oldham starts trading at what is now Wethersfield | Business: Trade | Then known as Pyquag | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1633/00/00 | Windsor, Wethersfield, and Hartford settlements founded. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1634/00/00 | Wethersfield serves as port and point of distribution | Business: Maritime | Town known as Watertown at this time | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1634/00/00 | Wethersfield settled by John Oldham and company | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1635/00/00 | Wethersfield Congregational Church established | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1636/00/00 | Watertown obtains a deed from the Indians | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1636/00/00 | Town name changed from Watertown to Wethersfield | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1636/07/05 | John Oldham, founder of Wethersfield, killed by Peqouds on Block Island. | War: 1636 Pequod War |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1637/04/23 | Wogunk Indians attack town with help from Pequods killing 6 men and three women. | War: 1637 Pequod War |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1637/05/01 | Connecticut Court declares war against the Pequods | War: 1637 Pequod War |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1637/05/26 | Capt. John Mason leads colony to victory over the Pequods. At Mystic. | War: 1637 Pequod War |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1639/10/19 | Justices of the Peace established | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1640/00/00 | Wethersfield Congregational meeting house built | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1641/02/28 | First Ecclesiastical Society organized | Church: Congregational | In 1725, the organization that was to become the Congregational Church was an “established” church, in other words, the official church of the colony. It was not until the new state constitution of 1818 that Connecticutfinally had no established church, although restrictions had gradually eased by then.  Back then, there was no idea of separation of church and state. An area wishing to start a new church needed the permission of the CT General Assembly, who could grant permission to establish a new ecclesiastical society. These societies had the responsibility of raising funds (usually through taxation), hiring a minister and providing a place to worship. The church itself did not deal with financial matters, leaving this to the society. | 1995 Calendar  Congregation Ecclesiastical Societies (available on archive.org) |  |
| 1643/00/00 | Connecticut Colony, of which Wethersfield was a part, joins New England Confederation. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1644/06/03 | Connecticut requires an inn in each town | Business: Lodging |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1644/09/12 | Connecticut requires ministerial support | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar | What does this mean? |
| 1649/00/00 | First land grant of 30 acres in South Wethersfield to Samuel Boardman Junior. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill | South Wethersfield would become Stepney then Rocky Hill | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1650/00/00 | Second Wethersfield meeting house built | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1650/00/00 | Connecticut law requires attendance at Sunday worship. | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1650/00/00 | Settlers from Wethersfield move south of Goff Brook near the “Rockie Hill.” | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1655/00/00 | Town of Wethersfield grants Greshom Bulkeley 110 acres of land at Dividend to build a mill. | Business: Dividend |  | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1655/00/00 | Rocky Hill-Glastonbury Ferry established | Business: Ferry |  | H.R. Hick Plaque | 1995 Calendar says “Ferry established per Deed Book.” Was the Deed Book authorization and this the actual implementation? |
| 1655/00/00 | Phillip Goff elected Wethersfield town crier. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1655/00/00 | Phillip Goff builds his house on Old Main St. | Streets & Buildings | This house still stands in 2016. It is the oldest house in Rocky Hill. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1659/03/09 | Males age 21 or officers, men owning 30 lbs or more, can vote | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | What does ‘officers’ mean? Town officials? Militia officers? |
| 1660/00/00 | Ferry Park established in Wethersfield deed book. | Transportation: Ferry |  | 1995 Calendar | Was this a charter for a ferry or just a deed of land? |
| 1662/04/23 | King Charles II signed Royal Connecticut Charter | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | On May page of 1995 Calendar the date for this is 1662/05/10 |
| 1670/00/00 | Wethersfield obtains deed for additional land from Indians. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1672/00/00 | Riverside land in Rocky Hill reserved for shipyard and landing | Business: Maritime |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1672/00/00 | Wethersfield grants 5 acres in lower Wethersfield for landing. Now Rocky Hill Ferry Park. | Transportation: Ferry |  | 1995 Calendar | How is this related to Ferry Park established in 1660? |
| 1673/00/00 | Wethersfield obtains deed for additional land from Indians | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1675/00/00 | King Phillip’s War begins | War: 1675 Pequod War | Wide-spread, very bloody war between Indian tribes and settlers.  Ended in 1676 and fundamentally changed power relationship between settlers and Indians. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1677/00/00 | Greshom Bulkeley, minister of the Congregational Church, builds a gristmill in Dividend district | Business: Dividend | Railroad spans the stream in 2016.  At the most easterly waterfall of Dividend Brook, Where the Bulkeley gained permission and flooded land to create Dividend pond near the Connecticut River. This pond became known as Lower Dividend Pond.  Bulkeley was later granted 150 additional acres to the west. He relocated his gristmill upstream to a location just below the second waterfall. He used the natural rock outcropping as part of a new dam. This created Upper Dividend Pond.  Bulkeley’s gristmill remained in the family or five generations – a span of one hundred and fifty years. | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. | See 1677/00/00 after Business: Maritime for notes on bakery. |
| 1677/00/00 after | Greshom Bulkeley opens a bakery to supply baked good to vessels ailing to the West Indies and other foriegn ports. | Business: Maritime |  | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. | See 1677/00/00 Business:Dividend for notes on Bulkeley’s gristmill. |
| 1683/07/20 | Flood causes severe damage in Rocky Hill | Weather |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1683/08/13 | Flood waters 26 feet above normal in Rocky Hill | Weather | Looks like 1683 was a bad year for flooding | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1685/00/00 | Third Meetinghouse built in Wethersfield. | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar | Where the meetinghouses of 1640, 1650, and 1685 replacements on the same site? Separate buildings? |
| 1686/00/00 | Wethersfield receives the King’s patent. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill | This was a charter granted by King Charles II which allowed Connecticut a great deal of Liberty in running its affairs. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1687/00/00 | Governor Edmund Andros demands that Charter be returned. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill | The Colonists stole it and hid it an oak tree. Connecticut was forced to become a member of the Dominion of New England but when it ended self-government was reestablished and the Charter returned. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1687/10/31 | Charter hidden in Charter Oak | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill | Hiding Charter ensured that its terms would be preserved if it was reestablished. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1689/00/00 | King William’s War | War: 1689 Colonial Wars | King William’s War (1688–97, also known as the Second Indian War, [/00](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean_Baudoin), [Castin’s War](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jean-Vincent_d%27Abbadie_de_Saint-Castin), or the First Intercontinental War. It was the North American theater of the [Nine Years’ War](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nine_Years%27_War), also known as the War of the Grand Alliance or the War of the League of Augsburg.  It ended in 1697. | 1995 Calendar | What was the effect of this war on Rocky Hill? Why does Wilscam single it out? |
| 1692/00/00 | Wethersfield Town Meeting distributes land in South Wethersfield. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1692/00/00 | Wethersfield Town Meeting lays out Brook, Elm, and West Streets | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1697/00/00 | Voting qualification changed to males, age 21, with an estate of 50 shillings | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1699/00/00 | South Wethersfield residents obtain their own teachers. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1700/00/00 | Ephraim Goodrich occupies the original Greshom Bulkeley mill site and opens a saw mill | Business: Dividend |  | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1700/00/00 | Connecticut River changes course in Great Flood. Sandbars block passage above Rocky Hill which now becomes head of navigation. | Business: Maritime | This also formed the Wethersfield Cove. | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1700/00/00 | Connecticut River changes course in Great Flood. Sandbars block passage above Rocky Hill which now becomes head of navigation. | Weather | This also formed the Wethersfield Cove. | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1702/00/00 | Queen Anne’s War | War: 1702 Colonial Wars | The [War of the Spanish Succession](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/War_of_the_Spanish_Succession) it was known in the [British colonies](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/British_colonization_of_the_Americas). It was the second in a series of [French and Indian Wars](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/French_and_Indian_Wars) fought between [France](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Early_modern_France) and [England](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kingdom_of_England),  Ended 1713 | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1704/00/00 | Fourth Meeting house built in Wethersfield | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1712/12/18 | First School House built north of Center | School |  | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque | Center St.? |
| 1720/12/19 | Wethersfield petitioned for parish | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1721/03/06 | Wethersfield Town Meeting approves Stepney Parish | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1722/05/10 | Connecticut Court approved Stepney Parish in Rocky Hill. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1722/12/11 | Rocky Hill petitions Wethersfield for a Minister | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1724/00/00 | Ferry established by State Assembly | Transportation: Ferry |  | 1995 Calendar | Not sure what ‘established’ means. Authorized? Run? |
| 1726/04/18 | Rocky Hill Congregational Church completed | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1727/06/07 | Third Ecclesiastical Society begins in Rocky Hill | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1727/06/07 | Rev. Daniel Russell is 1st minister in Rocky Hill | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1727/10/29 | Earthquake causes severe damage | Weather |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1730/01/19 | Rocky Hill Burial Ground established | Cemetery: Center |  | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque | Is this the Center Cemetery? |
| 1731/06/02 | First burial in Center Cemetery | Cemetery: Center |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1731/07/02 | First burial in Cemetery : Ben & Mary Deming | Cemetery: Center |  | 1995 Calendar | This seems to contradict 1731/06/02 entry. |
| 1733/00/00 | Jacob Robbins builds house on Old Main St. | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1740/00/00 | Religious awakening | Church: Congregational | The *Great Awakening* was an evangelical and revitalization movement that swept Protestant Europe and [British America](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/British_America), and especially the [American colonies](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thirteen_Colonies) in the 1730s and 1740s | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1750/00/00 | Great ship building and shipping era begins. | Business: Maritime | Era ends in 1850 per H.R. Hick Plaque. Ship building continued into the 1890s. | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1754/00/00 | Sizable number of Stepney men volunteer for French and Indian War | War: 1754 Colonial Wars | The French and Indian War (1754–1763) was the North American [theater](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Theater_(warfare)) of the worldwide [Seven Years' War](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Seven_Years%27_War). The war was fought between the [colonies](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Colony) of [British America](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/British_America) and [New France](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_France), with both sides supported by military units from their parent countries of [Great Britain](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kingdom_of_Great_Britain) and [France](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kingdom_of_France), as well as Native American allies.  Until 1763 | 1995 Calendar | Are there documents to support this?  Why volunteers 2 years before the war? |
| 1756/00/00 | Wethersfield Census shows 880 people in Rocky Hill. | Census |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1759/00/00 | Enlargement of Stepney area approved by Legislature. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1764/00/00 | Connecticut Courant begins under Thomas Green in Hartford. | Business: Media | Oldest newspaper in the Country; it became the Hartford Courant.  Thomas Green was WWI Rocky Hill veteran Curtis Green’s direct ancestor. | 1995 Calendar  Hartford Courant 1918/0217 |  |
| 1766/00/00 | Men sat with their wives in church for the first time. | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1767/00/00 | John Robbins Esq. Builds the Cumberland Inn | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1774/00/00 | Wethersfield Census shows 3,489 people in Rocky Hill including 142 blacks | Census |  | 1995 Calendar | This doesn’t jibe with the 1775 entry. This may be all of Wethersfield. |
| 1775/00/00 | Census of Stepney indicates 880 people | Census | This seems like a more realistic number. It is worth noting that John Robbins Esq. Owned many slaves. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1775/00/00 | Revolutionary War starts | War: 1775 Revolutionary War | In 1775 around 50 Stepney volunteers came from Wethersfield and Stepney to Lexington. | 1995 Calendar | How to interpret this? Is this a total of people from both Wethersfield and Stepney? |
| 1775/00/00/ | Deacon Simon Butler builds a saw mill at Dividend near Middletown Road. | Business: Dividend | Middletown Road is Main Street | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1776/00/00 | Rocky Hill ships aid the Revolutionary War as fighting vessels and privateers. | Business: Maritime |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1778/00/00 | Thomas Danforth produces pewter and tin at Stepney . begins peddler business | Business: Small Industry | Danforth House still stands at the northeast corner of Old Main St. and Glastonbury Ave. | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1779/00/00 | Stepney Parish census shows 881 residents | Census |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1781/00/00 | Thomas Danforth house built. | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1781/00/00 | Washington Rochambeau meet at Webb House in Wethersfield | War: 1781 Revolutionary War |  | 1995 Calendar | Does this have anything to do with Rocky Hill? |
| 1783/00/00. | Thomas Danforth house built on Glastonbury Avenue (Ferry St. at the time.) | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar | Is this the same house as mentioned for 1781? |
| 1783/08/15 | Hurricane caused damage in Rocky Hill | Weather |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1784/00/00 | Slaves freed at age 25 by Connecticut law. | Civic organization: Pre-Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1794/00/00 | Dr. Calvin Chapin begins ministry at Stepney Parish Congregational Church. | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1794/12/11 | First Social Library in Connecticut formed in Stepney | Libraries & museums: Library | The term social library has come to signify the kind of library that generally provided a circulating collection of materials and frequently a reading room for the use of any persons meeting the established criteria, which usually involved a fee or subscription, or a payment to become a joint owner or stockholder, of the library. | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1795/01/05 | Free Library opens in Rocky Hill | Libraries & Museums: Library | A free library is one which the public are permitted to use without payment, especially one maintained out of public funds. | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1802/00/00 | First post office in rocky Hill established | Public services: Postal |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1802/00/00 | Middletown Turnpike laid out. | Transportation: Roads |  | 1995 Calendar | Does laid out mean plotted or built?  It seems that this turnpike link up several surface roads including Old Main Street from Rocky Hill to Wethersfield. |
| 1803/00/00 | Academy Hall built | Streets & Buildings | Used as a school which taught navigation. | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1805/00/00 | Congregational Church purchases 40 rods of land for $9,000 | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar | Is this the so-called Parsonage land? |
| 1807/00/00 | Lands sold to build 2nd meeting house. | Church: Congregational |  |  | Don’t get it. There have been several prior meeting houses mentioned. |
| 1808/09/22 | Second meeting house dedicated | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1817/06/23 | President Monroe Visits Rocky Hill | Presidents |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1820/00/00 | Rocky Hill shipping declines due to completion from Canals, Railroads, and large river traffic companies | Business: Maritime |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1820/03/09 | Social Library and Free Library merge | Libraries & Museums: Library |  | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1821/00/00 | Methodist Church organized | Church: Methodist |  |  |  |
| 1825/00/00 circa | Captain William Butler’s son, Simon, rebuilds the saw mill | Business: Dividend |  | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1825/02/20 | Doctor Rufus Griswold born | People: Griswold, Rufus |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1826/00/00 | Stepney named change to Rocky Hill by Legislature. | Civic organization: Rocky Hill | Rocky Hill remains part of Wethersfield. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1829/00/00 | Captain William Butler builds a saw mill a short way downstream from Simon Butler’s grist mill | Business: Dividend | He built a berm to create a holding pond for water to run the mill. | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. | Could use a family tree to sort out the Williams and Simons. |
| 1830/00/00 circa | Gershom Bulkeley gristmill is sold to a Mr. Russell | Business: Dividend | Mr. Russell manufactured axes. Later Leonard Wells and Alfred Wilcox manufactured small tools. In 1866, Following Foster & Wilcox , Joseph Jory, an English blacksmith produced Never Slip horseshoes  After Jory, C.E. Billings constructed a new building for drop forging. This operation closed in 1917. | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website.  Hartford Courant 1917/06/11 | Mr. Russell’s full name? |
| 1831/00/00 | Prudence Crandall opens school for black girls. | School |  | 1995 Calendar | This doesn’t seem to have much to do with Rocky Hill. |
| 1832/09/06 | Wethersfield and Berlin form Sunday School union | Church |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1835/00/00 | Samuel Colt patents revolver | Business: Manufacturing | In the mid-20th Century, Colts Had a plant in Rocky Hill | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1835/00/00 | Bell and clock installed in Congregational Church | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1838/00/00 | Railroad completed from New Haven to Hartford | Transportation: Railroad |  | 1995 Calendar | Did 1838 line pass through Rocky Hill? Did it stop? |
| 1839/12/31 | Academy Hall gutted by fire | Libraries & museums: Historical Society |  | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque | Destroyed or rebuilt? |
| 1843/00/00 | Congregation Church steeple removed | Church: Congregational |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | Why? Check Stiles |
| 1843/00/00 | Methodist Church in West Rocky Hill dedicated | Church: Methodist |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | Where located? |
| 1843/06/06 | Rocky Hill incorporated and separated from Wethersfield. | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | Wilscam Timeline  H.R. Hick Plaque | June page in 1995 calendar says 1843/06/10 |
| 1843/06/23 | First Rocky Hill Town Meeting elects officers. | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1843/12/16 | Dr. Daniel Fuller died | People: Fuller, Daniel |  | 1995 Calendar | Who was this? |
| 1845/00/00 | North School rebuilt | School: North School | Closed in 1900 | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | Where located? |
| 1848/00/00 | Slavery abolished completely | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1849/00/00 | Foundry began operation | Business: Foundry |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | What was the name of the foundry? |
| 1849/00/00 | South School built at Main and Forest Street | School: South School | Closed in 1927 | Wilscam Timeline |  |
| 1849/00/00 | Rocky Hill becomes part of the Underground Railroad | Social issues |  | 1995 Calendar | Any specifics? |
| 1850/00/00 | Rocky Hill = 1,042 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1850/00/00 | West School built. | School: West School | Located on what is now the Elm St. Extension. | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1851/03/16 | Rev. Calvin Chapin Died. | People” Chapin, Calvin |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1853/00/00 | James T. Pratt of Rocky Hill elected representative to U=33rd U.S. Congress. | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1854/00/00 | William Sage Butler & Robert Sugden Jr. established a foundry downstream from Butler’s saw mill. | Business: Dividend | They built a dam which breached in March of 2001. | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1854/04/27 | Flood lasting 66 hours results in much damage in Rocky Hill | Weather |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1858/00/00 | State law changes north (Wethersfield) and south (Rocky Hill) school districts | School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1859/00/00 | Methodist Church dedicates new buildings on Old Main Street | Church: Methodist |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | Was church on West Side closed?  Was it called the Methodist Episcopal Church?  Is the current church the same site as this one? |
| 1860/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 1,102 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline |  |
| 1860/00/00 circa | Federick Butler produces pen holders at Butler & Sugden Foundry | Business: Dividend |  |  |  |
| 1863/07/01 | Ferry service regulated by Connecticut | Transportation: Ferry |  | 1995 Calendar | What does ‘regulated’ involve? |
| 1864/07/15 | Town Meetings authority extended | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | What does this mean? |
| 1865/00/00 | End of American Civil War. Rocky Hill lost 12 of 100 volunteers | War: 1861 Civil War |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1865/10/10 | Foundry burns down | Business: Foundry | According to Hartford Courant Article, “There is no doubt that the buildings were set on fire, as it broke out in a part of the premises where no fire has been used for months past.” |  | Was this the foundry from 1849? |
| 1868/00/00 | Captain William Butler’s mill destroyed by fire. Robert Sugden Jr. rebuilt the mill | Business: Dividend | It was used to make railroad ties and lumber. | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1868/00/00 | Elisha Stevens & George Brown buy foundry from Butler and Sugden. | Business: Dividend | Foundry made toys, banks, and chandeliers. | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1870/00/00 | Rocky Hill = 791 per U.S. Census | Census |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1871/00/00 | Connecticut Valley Railroad opens | Transportation: Railroad |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1871/07/00 | Connecticut Valley Railroad opens in Hartford, runs through Rocky Hill to Saybrook | Transportation: Railroad |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | Was the train station built at this time? |
| 1872/00/00 | Hartford-Saybrook Turnpike closed. Local roads reverted towns. | Transportation: Roads |  | 1995 Calendar | Does this mean that the State controlled the Turnpike? |
| 1872/01/02 | Rocky Hill Library Association formed to replace Social Library | Libraries & Museums: Library |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | Unclear. Didn’t Free & Social libraries merge completely in 1820? |
| 1873/00/00 | Valley Railroad completed | Transportation: Railroad |  | 1995 Calendar | What does ‘completed’ mean? |
| 1874/06/03 | Small pox epidemic discussed at town meeting. | Health |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1875/00/00 | Hartford made sole Capitol of Connecticut | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1875/00/00 circa | Stevens & Brown foundry burns down | Business: Dividend | This foundry was never rebuilt. | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 1878/12/03 | St. James Church buys land on Chapin St. | Church: Roman Catholic | St. James was an offshoot of St. John’s Church in Middletown and was controlled from there. | 1995 Calendar Interview with Peg DesRoberts April 15, 2016 |  |
| 1880/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 1,108 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1882/00/00 | Roman Catholic Church organized | Church: Roman Catholic |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1884/00/00 | Charles Billings and George Edmunds built a brick building south of the Bulkeley dam to build manufacturing tools | Business: Dividend | They operated machinery by long belt from the mill in the hollow. Manufacturer’s tools were made there.  The company continued operations at least until the 1890s. There is a photograph taken about 1909 that seems to indicate the building was still in use then.  This became C.E. Billings Manufacturing | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website.  Hartford Courant June 28, 1917 |  |
| 1888/03/10 | Blizzard of ’88 drops 60 inches of snow, drifts up to 20 feet. | Weather |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1889/12/08 | Library building on Church St. dedicated | Libraries & museums: Library |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1890/00/00 | Quarry opened in Rocky Hill | Business: Quarry | May have been 1898.  Much of the rock was used on gravel roads. | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1890/06/00 | Maltbie & Henley Foundry catches fire but isn’t destroyed. | Business: Foundry |  | Hartford Courant 1890/06/10 | Also called Maltbey & Henley in some Courant articles. |
| 1893/00/00 | Union label law begins in Connecticut | Business: Foundry | A Union Label Law seems to provide copyright protection for the use of official union labels. | 1995 Calendar | What is this?  Does this relate to Rocky Hill? |
| 1893/08/15 | Maltby (sic) and Henley closes due to lack of business | Business: Foundry |  | Hartford Courant 1893/08/15 |  |
| 1895/00/00 | Child labor laws set minimum age at 14 years in Connecticut | Business: Laws |  | 1995 Calendar | Does this relate to Rocky Hill? |
| 1895/00/00 | Present Methodist Church built | Church: Methodist |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1895/02/14 | Methodist Church burned to the ground | Church: Methodist |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1895/03/20 | Ecclesiastical Society filed with Connecticut Secretary | Church: Congregational |  | 1995 Calendar | Secretary of State Ecclesiastical Society? |
| 1895/08/06 | Foundry identified as The Rocky Hill Foundry on this date | Business: Foundry | The Maltbie & Henley Foundry was probably acquired by the Rocky Hill Foundry | Hartford Courant 1895/08/06 |  |
| 1896/01/29 | New Methodist Church building dedicated | Church: Methodist |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1897/00/00 | Connecticut State flag adopted | Civic organization: State |  | 1995 Calendar | Does this relate to Rocky Hill? |
| 1898/00/00 | The Rocky Hill Foundry goes into receivership | Business: Foundry | Champion Manufacturing formed by F.E. Holmes | Hartford Courant 1918/12/25 |  |
| 1898/07/01 | Company called the Rocky Hill Foundry is reported in trouble likely to be acquired | Business: Foundry |  | Hartford Courant 1898/07/01 | Foundry changed hands in 1899. Was it from Rocky Hill Foundry to Champion Manufacturing? |
| 1900/00/00 | Quarry acquired by The Connecticut Trap Rock Company | Business: Quarry |  | The Quarry in Rocky Hill – Grace Lowell RHHS |  |
| 1900/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 1,108 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1900/00/00 | First U.S. Navy submarine built at Electric Boat | War: 1900 Navy |  | 1995 Calendar | Does this relate to Rocky Hill? |
| 1900/01/03 | Champion Manufacturing is operating at Foundry site | Business: Foundry | Champion Foundry on 1916 Rocky Hill Grand List | Hartford Courant  1900/01/03  Hartford Courant  1900/01/03 |  |
| 1901/00/00 | Connecticut Trap Rock Company has it name changed to Rocky Hill Stone Company | Business: Quarry | “The Rocky Hill town records of 1901 indicate that the James H. Cooke Company … had its name changed to the Rocky Hill Stone Company.” | Grace Lowell RHHS |  |
| 1901/00/00 | Rocky Hill Grange Hall built | Streets & Buildings | Burned down in 1921. | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1901/00/00 | Connecticut law regulates automobile speeds, 1st in nation | Transportation: Roads |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1904/00/00 | Wilscam Timeline says Academy Hall closed as school after 131 years. | School: Academy Hall |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | Academy Hall was only 101 years old.  Margin notes says, “I attended grades 1-4 1936-1940” |
| 1905/00/00 | Hartford Electric Light brings electric service to Rocky Hill | Public services: Electricity |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1907/00/00 | William Quinn replaces William Manchester as Superintendent | Business: Quarry |  | Grace Lowell RHHS |  |
| 1909/00/00 | Trolley services begins in Rocky Hill | Transportation: Trolley | Photos show that it was driven by electricity. | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1910/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 1,187 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline |  |
| 1910/00/00 | West School opened | School: West School |  | 1995 Calendar | Is this a replacement for the West School built in 1850? |
| 1913/00/00 | Electric street lights begin in Rocky Hill | Public services: Electricity |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1914/00/00 | WWI begins in Europe | War: 1914 WWI |  | 1995 Calendar | Does this relate to Rocky Hill? |
| 1916/00/00 | Foster Merriam of Middletown leased the foundry | Business: Foundry |  | Hartford Courant 1918/12/25 |  |
| 1916/00/00 | Center School built and opened with 4 rooms | School: Center School | Margin notes says, “Which building is this? Probably old part attached to south end of junior high.” | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1916/03/15 | Billings & Edmunds (Edwards?) Changes name to C.E. Billings Manufacturing | Business: Dividend |  | Hartford Courant June 28, 1917 | C.E. Billings of Hartford was in the top ten in the 1916 Grand List.  C.E. Billings owned a farm at Dividend |
| 1916/12/31 | Hotel De Ryer destroyed by fire | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1917/00/00 | U.S. enters World War I. Rocky Hill provides about 70 soldiers. | War: 1917 WWI | A 227 page book was written in 2017 about Rocky Hill in WWI. Rocky Hill provided 95 veterans, soldiers and sailors. | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1917/06/11 | Hartford Electric Steel Company acquires Billings & Spencer factory. | Business: Dividend | Hartford Electric Steel was established to provide steel castings for the war effort.  It was in the Dividend section of town.  It was at the site vacated by Billings and Spencer  Hartford Electric Steel was a Hartford-based Company  Billings & Spencer Continued to do business in Hartford | Hartford Courant 1917/06/11 | The C.E. Billings Manufacturing Company was a separate enterprise from Billings & Spencer. |
| 1917/06/28 | C.E. Billings Manufacturing filed for dissolution. | Business: Dividend |  | Hartford Courant June 28, 1917 |  |
| 1917/07/04 | Bulkeley Flag Pole on Dividend Green dedicated | Monuments & Memorials |  | Hartford Courant 1917/07/05 |  |
| 1918/07/00 | Quarry closed temporarily due to a dearth of laborers and supervisors. | Business: Quarry | William Francis Halligan was Foreman of the Quarry until he was drafted. William Francis Quinn stood in for him until he too was drafted.  There weren’t enough laborers available to work the Quarry. | Hartford Courant 1918/07/26 |  |
| 1918/07/04 | Honor Roll board for WWI Veterans dedicated at Dividend Green | Monuments & Memorials | This was a temporary sign since the war was still going on. | Hartford Courant 1918/07/05 |  |
| 1918/12/24 | Foster & Merriam Foundry burns down | Business: Foundry |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1919/03/00 | Connecticut Foundry Opens | Business: Foundry | The Connecticut Foundry replaced the Foster & Merriam Foundry which burned down in December of 1918. | Hartford Courant 1919/07/28 |  |
| 1919/03/20 | Town Meeting approves purchase of two ladders and pails. | Public services: Fire fighting | 1919 Annual Report shows 23.50 expenditure for fires.  In 1921 a disastrous fire was fought with bucket brigades per Harry R. Hick oral history. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1920/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 1,633 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1923/08/30 | Belamose Corporation buys Hartford Electric Steel Company | Business: Dividend | Belamose made artificial silk (rayon)  Hartford Electric Steel Continued to do business in Hartford | Hartford Courant 1923/08/30 |  |
| 1925/07/04 | Permanent WWI Memorial dedicated at Dividend Green | Monuments & Memorials | This is The Rock. | Hartford Courant 1925/07/05 |  |
| 1926/09/01 | Library operation by Town began | Libraries & Museums: Library |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1927//00/00 | Completion of Dr. Oran A. Moser school | School: Moser School | Margin notes says, “South School – renamed Moser much later, perhaps 1940.” | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1927/00/00 | West School addition completed | School: West School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1927/03/12 | Church Street Firehouse approved; Town Meeting Oks firehouse and truck | Public services: Fire fighting | Fire department in Rock Hill is volunteer | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1927/11/04 | New England Flood of 1927 | Weather | Rocky Hill isolated by high water; automobile traffic cut off, mail deliveries done via trolley.  This not the April 1927 flood which ravaged the Missisippi. | Hartford courant  1927/11/08 and 1927/11/09 |  |
| 1928/00/00 | Selectman’s offices added to Library building on Church Street | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | Where did town official work out of before this? |
| 1930/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 2,021 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1930/12/19 | Silas Deane Highway Opened | Transportation: Roads | This speeded traffic to Hartford and Wethersfield and made Old Main Street a secondary road. | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1931/00/00 | Rocky Hill incorporated as a district | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | H.R. Hick Plaque | Not sure what this means |
| 1931/01/11 | Rose Hill Cemetery proposed | Cemetery: Rose Hill |  | 1931/01/11 Hartford Courant |  |
| 1931/05/17 | First burial conducted at Rose Hill Cemetery | Cemetery: Rose Hill |  | 1931/05/17 Hartford Courant |  |
| 1931/10/12 | Two of three Rocky Hill Trolley Stations Closed | Transportation: Trolley | The trolleys were phased out in favor of buses over much public protest.  Motor vehicle were clearly taking over. | Hartford Courant 1931/10/12 | Are the bus stops where the trolley stops where? |
| 1932/01/04 | Hartford Retreat Farm property bought for Veteran’s Home Farm in Rocky Hill | Veteran’s Home | The Hartford Retreat became the Institute for Living in Hartford.  The Veteran’s Home Farm was intended to provide dairy products and produce for the Fitch veteran’s home in Noroton Heights.  It wasn’t intended as a replacement. | Hartford Courant 1921/01/06 |  |
| 1932/07/28 | Bonus Army disbursed from Washington D.C | Veteran’s Home | Veterans marched on D.C. to demand veterans bonuses promised in 1924 for payment in 1945 be paid immediately to mitigate the effects of the Great  Depression. | Hartford Courant 1932/07/29 |  |
| 1932/08/07 | 35 Bonus Army Veterans Arrive in Hartford | Veteran’s Home | Governor Cross admitted the Bonus Marchers to the Rocky Hill Veteran’s Farm | Hartford Courant 1932/08/07 |  |
| 1935/03/28 after | The Rocky Hill Stone company was acquired by the New Haven Trap Rock Company. | Business: Quarry |  | Grace Lowell, RHHS |  |
| 1935/04/03 | Belamose changes name to Hartford Rayon Corporation | Business: Dividend |  | Hartford Courant 1935/04/03 |  |
| 1936/05/06 | Great New England Hurricane and Flood | Weather |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1936/06/06 | Connecticut Legislature decides to replace aging Fitch Home with home in Rocky Hill | Veteran’s Home | There were 595 veterans in both homes; 404 were WWI veterans. | Hartford Courant 1936/06/06 |  |
| 1938/06/01 | Elmer Edward hired as 1st police officer | Civic organization: Law enforcement |  |  | First full-time police officer? |
| 1938/09/21 | Great hurricane of 1938 causes floods and damage | Weather |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1939/06/03 | Dial telephone service began in Rocky Hill | Public services: Telephone | End of crank phones and party lines. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1940/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 2,679 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1940/00/00 | Center School addition | School: Center School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1940/08/28 | Veteran’s Home and Hospital occupied in Rocky Hill | Veteran’s Home | The Fitch home was shut down. | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1943/00/00 | Rocky Hill joins Metropolitan District | Public services: Water |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque | For water service? |
| 1944/00/00 | Interstate highway proposed to replace Route 5 | Transportation: Roads | Route 5 was the north-south highway through New England. It included the Berlin Turnpike and Wilber Cross Highway. | Hartford Courant 1944/11/30 |  |
| 1945/03/07 | Fire Company #2 established | Public services: Fire fighting |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1946/00/00 | St. James Church gets first full-time resident priest | Church: Roman Catholic |  | 1995 Calendar. |  |
| 1946/03/13 | Town Meeting Oks Firehouse #2 at New Britain Avenue | Public services: Fire fighting |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1946/11/30 | St. James Parish established | Church: Roman Catholic |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1946-06-01 | Rose Hill Funeral Home Opens | Cemetery: Rose Hill |  | 1946/06/01 Hartford Courant |  |
| 1948/04/16 | Town Meeting OKs Hoyt & Associates plan for development. | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | What was this? |
| 1949/00/00 | Moser School expanded | School: Moser Sc hool |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar | And renamed from South School? |
| 1950/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 5,108 per U.S. Census | Census | Big population in 10 years. | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1950/00/00 | Korean War begins | War: 1950 Korea | There is a monument on Division Green | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1951/08/00 | Charles Yeager opens Old Stepney Museum | Libraries & Museums: Rocky Hill Historical Society | Located at the corner of Dividend and Pratt. House exists in 2016.  Charles died in 1959. | Hartford Courant 1951-08-19 & 1959-08-17  RHHS Photo Collection | Was Mr. Yeager’s collection incorporated by the RHHS? It seems more than coincidental that plans for RHHS started a year after his death. |
| 1952/07/05 | Shipyard Park flagpole dedicated | Parks: Shipyard | On Riverview Road. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1953/00/00 | Congregational Church Parish House built. | Church: Congregational | Margin note says, “Not true, Bartlett, Brainard, Ernst built this after 1955.” | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1954/00/00 | New Rocky Hill Town Hall dedicated. | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1954/00/00 | Firehouse for Company #2 dedicated | Public services: Fire fighting | Located at New Britain Ave. and Cromwell Ave. | 1995 Calendar | When was Company #1 on Church Street established? |
| 1955/00/00 | Rocky Hill High School built. | School: High School |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1955/08/15 | Hurricane Diane causes severe flooding | Weather |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1956/00/00 | Completion of Myrte H. Stevens School. | School: Stevens School |  | Wilscam Timeline |  |
| 1957/00/00 | William Quinn retired as Superintendent of the Quarry | Business: Quarry |  | Grace Lowell, RHHS  Hartford Courant 1970/11/09 |  |
| 1957/00/00 after | Quarry closed | Business: Quarry | William Quinn was Superintendent of the Quarry when he retired in 1957. | Hartford Courant 1953/07/06 |  |
| 1958/00/00 | United Methodist Church Parish Hall added. | Church: Methodist |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1958/04/09 | Myrtle H. Stevens School opened. | School: Stevens School | Margin notes says, “2 year gap?” | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar |  |
| 1958/12/31 | William H. Putnam Bridge opened to Traffic | Transportation: Roads | The bridge’s easy access to the east bank of the Connecticut River made the Ferry a tourist attraction and minor traffic convenience. | Hartford Courant 1958/12/31 |  |
| 1959/05/30 | Firehouse for Company #2 dedicated. | Public services: Fire fighting |  | Wilscam Timeline |  |
| 1959/10/04 | St. James Church on Elm St. groundbreaking | Church: Roman Catholic |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1960/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 7,404 per U.S. Census | Census |  | Wilscam Timeline  1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1960/04/06 | First Episcopal Meeting held by Rev. Edward Cook | Church: Episcopal |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1960/05/08 | First Episcopal service at Stevens School | Church: Episcopal |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1960/06/12 | First Baptism Episcopal in Rocky Hill | Church: Episcopal |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1960/12/03 | St. James Church on Elm St. dedicated | Church: Roman Catholic |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1961/01/09 | Rocky Hill Junior & Senior High Schools accepted | School: High School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1961/06/23 | Last Rocky Hill students graduate from Wethersfield High School. | School: High School | In the early years of the 20th Century Rocky Hill students who went to high school went to Middletown High School, or, if they had the money, to Hartford Public High School. – Harry R. Hick Oral History | Wilscam Timeline |  |
| 1961/06/23 | West School closed | School: West School | Where Starbuck’s is in 2016. | Wilscam Timeline  Interview with Peg DesRoberts April 15, 2016. |  |
| 1961/10/23 | Fire House #1 authorized by Town Meeting | Public services: Fire fighting |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1962/06/14 | Rocky Hill Historical Society founded | Libraries & Museums: Rocky Hill Historical Society |  | 1995 Calendar  H.R. Hick Plaque | Was the Charles Yeager Collection used to seed this? |
| 1962/10/21 | Firehouse #1 dedicated | Public services: Fire fighting |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1962/11/25 | St. Andrews Church dedicated | Church: Episcopal |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1963/07/07 | St. James Sacristy dedicated | Church: Roman Catholic |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1963/09/04 | Griswold Junior High School opened on Labor Day | School: Griswold Junior High School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1964/00/00 | St. Andrew’s Episcopal Church dedicated | Church: Episcopal |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1965/02/08 | Albert D. Griswold Junior High School accepted | School: Griswold Junior High School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1965/10/27 | Interstate 91 opens through Rocky Hill | Transportation: Roads | Commutes to Hartford and Middle town dramatically shortened. | Hartford Courant 1965/10/27  H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1965/12/30 | Connecticut Constitution adopted | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1966/03/17 | In Town Meeting, Rocky Hill buys Sunny Crest Park | Parks: Sunny Crest | This was once part of Griswold family’s Sunny Crest Farm. |  |  |
| 1966/05/24 | Town Meeting approved Stevens School addition | School: Stevens School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1966/08/22 | Edward McCarthy finds dinosaur tracks | Parks: Dinosaur Park | Mr. McCarthy was bulldozing the site to prepare for a State office building. | 1995 Calendar  Hartford Courant 1966/09/16 |  |
| 1967/00/00 | Church Street dedicated | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | What does this mean? |
| 1967/00/00 | Dana Whitman becomes first town manager in Rocky Hill | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1967/00/00 | Council-Manager Government replaces Town Meeting Selectmen . | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | H.R. Hick Plaque |  |
| 1967/00/00 | Cora Belden Library current as of 2016, built | Libraries & Museums: LIbrary |  | Libraries & Museums |  |
| 1967/06/17 | Charter government began in Rocky Hill | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1967/07/12 | Stevens school addition accepted. | School: Stevens School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1967/08/01 | Dr. Gar Fairbanks name School Superintendent | School: Superintendent |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1967/10/27 | Rocky Hill Historical Museum opened in Academy | Libraries & Museums: Rocky Hill Historical Society | Academy Hall was being used as the American Legion Hall in 1962. | 1995 Calendar  Hartford Courant 1962-11-15 |  |
| 1967/11/30 | St. Andrews Parish House dedicated | Church: Episcopal |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1968/10/17 | Dinosaur State Park building dedicated | Parks: Dinosaur Park |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1968/10/17 | Dinosaur State Park put on National Landmark Registry | Parks: Dinosaur Park |  | 1995 Calendar  Hartford Courant 1968/05/09 |  |
| 1970/00/00 | Rocky Hill Town Hall expanded | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1970/11/03 | First revision of Charter in Rocky Hill | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | Needs elaboration. |
| 1971/01/06 | Center School used as administration Building | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1971/01/06 | West Hill School occupied | School: West Hill School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1974/05/30 | Rocky Hill Bicentennial Flag adopted. | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1974/06/04 | Ferry named State Historical Landmark | Transportation: Ferry |  | 1997 |  |
| 1975/04/12 | Local Ferry Post makes initial crossing. | Transportation: Ferry | In 1975 the Ferry provided a 10 cent stamp for mail to commemorate its 320th  anniversary; Sort of a collector thing. | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1976/00/00 | Stevens School gymnasium approved by school board | School: Stevens School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1976/02/24 | Weather endangers dinosaur tracks | Parks: Dinosaur Park | Freezing and thawing was causing dinosaur tracks to crumble. Tracks buried to protect them; dome to be built. | Hartford Courant 1976/02/24 |  |
| 1976/06/26 | Bicentennial Day celebration begins | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1977/11/00 | Workers strike at the foundry | Business: Foundry | Worker claimed foundry was obstructing union organization; foundry closed charging the union had threatened and committed acts of violence. | Hartford Courant 1977/12/09 |  |
| 1977/12/01 | Foundry closed due to union violence | Business: Foundry | Many acts of violence against non-union workers reported in Courant. | Hartford Courant 1977/12/01 |  |
| 1979/00/00 | Dome completed at Dinosaur State Park building | Parks: Dinosaur Park |  | 1995 Calendar | The May page of 1995 Calendar sets opening date as 1978/05/15 |
| 1979/10/00 | Union Certification battled goes to court. | Business: Foundry |  | Hartford Courant 1979/10/24 |  |
| 1980/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 14,559 per U.S. Census | Census |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1981/10/25 | New Rocky Hill High School dedicated and occupied | School: High School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1982/09/28 | Stevens School gym dedicated to A. Morganti | School: Stevens School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1983/06/04 | Foundry Shut Down | Business: Foundry | Shut down due to effects of labor problems, pollution, and lack of demand for foundry products. | Hartford Courant 1983/06/04 |  |
| 1983/06/16 | New Rocky Hill High School completed | School: High School |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1985/00/00 | Permanent building dedicated at Dinosaur State Park | Parks: Dinosaur Park | Building to include 100 seat auditorium, a class room area, and an exhibit workshop. | 1995 Calendar  Hartford Courant 1980/02/17 |  |
| 1985/11/05 | Charter revised for 2nd time | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar | Needs elaboration |
| 1987/09/06 | Sister Elizabeth Seton Church dedicated | Church: Roman Catholic |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1987/11/07 | St. James Church Parish Center dedicated | Church: Roman Catholic |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1989/06/11 | High school auditorium dedicated to H.G. Symington | School: High School | Harold G. Symington died in July 1988. | 1995 Calendar | Seems to have been a school superintendent. |
| 1989/11/15 | Discussions start on future of foundry site. | Business: Foundry | Discussions are still going on as of 2016. | Hartford Courant 1989/11/15 |  |
| 1989/12/07 | Charter revised for 3rd time | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1990/00/00 | Rocky Hill population = 14,559 per U.S. Census | Census |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1990/05/23 | O .Paul Shew becomes 2nd Manager of Rocky Hill | Civic organization: Rocky Hill |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1991/00/00 | Gulf War | War: 1991 Gulf War | There is a monument on Division Green | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1991/05/20 | Marriott Hotel opens | Business: Lodging |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1991/10/06 | Community Center dedicated | Streets & Buildings |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 1993/03/12 | Blizzard drops 13 inches of snow, barometer at 28.47 | Weather |  | 1995 Calendar |  |
| 2002/00/00 | Land in Dividend protected from development | Business: Dividend |  | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |
| 2006/11/24 | WFSB Channel 3 moves to Rocky Hill | Business: Media | WFBS is one of the town’s largest employers and frequent mention of the tow during news broadcasts give the town high visibility. | Hartford Courant 2006/11/24 |  |
| 2007/07/20 | Rocky Hill ranked 35 on Money Magazine’s 100 Best Places to Live in America | Town Image |  | Money Magazine July 20, 2007 |  |
| 2012/00/00 | Five Corners reconfigured | Streets & Buildings | Originally Center Street was just a path behind E.F. Belden’s store. It ran between Church Street and Old Main Street. After the fire of 1921 which destroyed the E.F. Belden store and several other buildings and cleared the land, it was made into a street.  In the 2012 street reconfiguration, Center Street was incorporated into Church Street and the name Center Street was eliminated. The intersection where Church Street met Five Corners was closed off and made a small park. The Church Street Extension now run a few yards from Church Street to the park. | Rocky Hill Street Names - RHHS |  |
| 2012/06/02 | Dividend Ponds and Archaeological District opens as part of the Rocky Hill town park system. | Business: Dividend |  | June Cook paper posted on RHHS website. |  |