

## **What's Open, What's Closed, What Changes for the Long Thanksgiving Weekend**

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Not every body gets off work on Thanksgiving Day and not everybody gets back to work on Friday. Here's what's open and what's closed, what has different hours and what changes schedule.

Don't find out the hard way.

[More here](#) about Metro-North timetable changes for the long holiday weekend.

### **Wednesday, Thanksgiving EVE, Nov. 21**

— Darien Thrift Shop is **closed**. It reopens on Saturday.

*Some early closings.*

—Darien Public Schools **close early**.

—Darien Library will **close early**, at 6 p.m. (It won't open again until Friday morning.)

—YWCA Darien/Norwalk will **close early**, at 12 noon. It won't reopen again until Monday at 9 a.m.

—Person-to-Person will **close early**, at 12 noon. It won't reopen again until Monday.

—[Darien Farmers Market](#) opens at 11 a.m., as usual, but **closes at 3 p.m. an hour early**. This is the last Darien Farmers Market of the year.

—Grieb's Pharmacy **closes at 5 p.m.**

—Stepping Stones Museum for Children **closes at 3 p.m.**

### ***FOOD***

—Costco will be **open** from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. (The **pharmacy** is **open** from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.)

—Palmer's Market will be **open until 8 p.m.**

—Stew Leonard's in Norwalk will be **open** from 7 a.m. to **11 p.m.**

—Stop and Shop will be **open** from 7 a.m. to **10 p.m.**

—Trader Joe's will be **open** from 8 a.m. to **9 p.m.**

—Whole Foods will be **open** from 7 a.m. to **11 p.m.**

### ***Happening***

- [Grand Central's Thanksgiving Market Open for One Day: Thanksgiving Eve](#) (8 a.m. to 7 p.m.)
- [Darien Farmers Market](#) (to repeat what's above) opens at 11 a.m., as usual, but **closes at 3 p.m. an hour early**. This is the last Darien Farmers Market of the year.
- ['Papillon' Wednesday Matinee at Darien Library](#) (1:30 to 4 p.m.)

**THANKSGIVING — Thursday, Nov. 22**

***Just about everything is closed***, except stores that want to sell you early Christmas gifts, some supermarkets and pharmacies.

- Darien Public Schools are **closed**. They won't reopen until Monday.
- The Darien YMCA will be **open** only from 7 a.m. to 12 noon.
- YWCA Darien/Norwalk will be **closed**.
- Darien Library is **closed**.
- Local, state and national government offices **are all closed**.
- Darien Senior Center is **closed**.
- At Home In Darien is **closed**.
- The Post Office is **closed**.
- The Dump is **closed** (also known as the Darien Recycling Center and Darien transfer station).
- The Darien Community Association will be **closed**.
- Person-to-Person will be **closed**.
- Darien Thrift Shop is **closed**. It reopens on Saturday.

### ***FOOD***

- Costco will be **closed**.
- Palmer's Market will be **closed**.
- Stew Leonard's in Norwalk will be **open from 6:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**
- Stop and Shop will be **open until 5 p.m.**
- Trader Joe's will be **closed**.
- Whole Foods will be **open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

### ***PHARMACIES***

—The pharmacy at CVS in Darien will be **open** from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

—Walgreens store will be **open** Thanksgiving Day, but the **pharmacy will be closed** this day. The pharmacy is open until 9 p.m., Wednesday night and will open again at 9 a.m., Friday morning. The store is open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. all three days.

—Grieb's Pharmacy will be **open** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. ("We are open every day of the year, except Christmas Day.")

—Costco will be **closed**.

### ***TRANSPORTATION***

—CTTransit buses in Stamford and Darien are on a Sunday schedule. Buses between Stamford and White Plains, New York (971) and Norwalk (341) also will run on a Sunday schedule. (But you won't have a fixed-route bus to take in Norwalk this day.)

—Norwalk Transit District buses on fixed routes will **not be running**.

### ***Happening***

- [Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade](#) (9 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
- [Rowayton Turkey Trot: Fun Running on Thanksgiving Morning](#) starts at 9:30 a.m. (You'll need to register.)
- [Turkey Bowl: Blue Wave vs the Rams](#) begins at 10:30 a.m. at Boyle Stadium in Stamford.
- [Special Thanksgiving Day Service at First Church of Christ, Scientist in Darien](#) starting at 10:30 a.m. All are invited.

## **Black Friday, Nov. 23**

*The official start of the Christmas shopping season, with crowds looking for special bargains*

—Darien government offices are **closed**.

—Darien Senior Center is **closed**.

—At Home In Darien is **closed**.

—The Dump is **open** (also known as the Darien Recycling Center and Darien transfer station).

—Connecticut state offices will be **open**.

—U.S. federal offices will be **open**.

—The Post Office will be **open**.

—The Department of Motor Vehicles office at 540 Main Ave., Norwalk will be open for normal business hours: 7:45 a.m. to 4 p.m.

—The Darien YMCA will be **open**.

—YWCA Darien/Norwalk will be **closed**.

—The Darien Community Association will be **closed**.

—Person-to-Person will be **closed**.

—Darien Thrift Shop is **closed**. It reopens on Saturday.

## **TRANSPORTATION**

—CTTransit buses in Stamford and Darien will run on a **normal weekday schedule**, except for the 351 route between the Stamford train station and the rest of downtown Stamford, which won't run this day.

—Norwalk Transit District buses on fixed routes will run on a **normal weekday schedule**.

## ***Happening***

[Wilton Historical Society's Great Trains Holiday Show Opens with Special Events](#) (12 noon to 4 p.m.)

[Polar Express on the IMAX Screen at Maritime Aquarium](#) (5 p.m.)

['Puzzle' — Darien Library's Friday Night Feature](#) (two showings: 6:30 and 8:30 p.m.)

## **Shop Small Saturday, Nov. 24**

*The annual day that you're particularly urged to shop at a small, local store.*

—The Dump is **open** (also known as the Darien Recycling Center and Darien transfer station).

—The Department of Motor Vehicles office at 540 Main Ave., Norwalk will be **OPEN** for normal business hours: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

—The Darien YMCA will be **open**.

—YWCA Darien/Norwalk will be **closed**.

—Person-to-Person will be **closed**.

—Darien Library will be **open**.

### ***Happening***

- [Wilton Historical Society's Great Trains Holiday Show Opens with Special Events](#) (10 a.m. to 4 p.m.)
- [Thanksgiving Weekend Waddle at the New Canaan Nature Center](#) (10 a.m. to 12 noon)
- [Walk with Darien Land Trust Members at Selleck's Woods/Dunlap Nature Preserve](#) (11 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
- [Stamford Model Railroad Club Holiday Show](#) (1 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m.)
- [Polar Express on the IMAX Screen at Maritime Aquarium](#) (5 p.m.)

## **Sunday, Nov. 25**

—Darien YMCA will be **open**.

—Darien Library will be **open**.

—Person-to-Person will be **closed**.

### ***Happening***

- [Peterson Concert: Peter Serkin in Recital at Greenwich Library](#) (3:30 to 5 p.m.)
- ['Light Up Rowayton' Includes Caroling, Tree Lighting, Model Train Show, Holiday Bazaar](#) (4 to 7 p.m.)
- [Polar Express on the IMAX Screen at Maritime Aquarium](#) (5 p.m.)

