

# Troopers from Troop B and Troop L Participate in Annual Soccer Match

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(left to right) TFC Ken Dillon, Trooper Christopher Barone, Trooper Justin Rheiner, TFC Thomas Burke, Trooper Kevin Connolly, Trooper Anthony Sciarretto, Trooper Alessandro Giannone, Trooper Robert Olechowski, Detective Dan Jewiss, Trooper Jao Dos Santos, Trooper Joshua Holcombe, Trooper Domenic Goguen, TFC James Bonnetti, TFC Timothy Loomis, Trooper Peter Leacu, TFC Art Walkley, TFC Tim McAlpin, Detective Richard Covello, TFC Richard Binkowski, TFC Shawn Swarz, Sergeant Greg Kenney.

On Thursday, November 1, 2007 the Varsity and Junior Varsity boys' soccer team of Oliver Wolcott Technical School in Torrington hosted the 7th annual soccer match against State Troopers of Troop B, Canaan and Troop L, Litchfield.

The match was hard fought, with the Oliver Wolcott Technical scoring the only goal of the first half with five minutes to go. **TFC Shawn Swarz** had the opportunity to take the game into a tie with a penalty kick only to shoot the ball right at the goal keeper. The students were ecstatic as **TFC Swarz** prior to

being deployed in his military assignment was assigned to the school as the school resource officer. Needless to say he took some ribbing from both sides.

The students and troopers continued to fight through the second half. Every ball was contested with at least one player from each side, at times more than one player. Opportunities came and went. Head balls, slide tackles, throw ins, break-a-ways, corner kicks and yes, open nets.

When the final whistle was blown by the referee, the Oliver Wolcott Technical School Varsity and Junior Varsity boys' soccer team had secured a much needed win for the season with a 5-1 victory.

We all attended the after party held at the field and reminisced about the



TFC Ken Dillon, Trooper Alessandro Giannone, Trooper Robert Olechowski, TFC Michael Trotman.



game. Taking the time out to interact with the youth of the community in a positive light and listening to their take on the war stories of the game.

The students of the Varsity and Junior Varsity boys' soc-

cer team are a model for the athletic program of Oliver Wolcott Technical representing their coach, school and team with pride and sportsmanship. Great job and we will see you next year! □

# Troop L Takes Part in Touch-A-Truck

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On October 20, 2007 People's United Bank in Conjunction with the local businesses, sponsored a local area Touch-a-Truck at the Torrington Stop & Shop located at 211 High Street in Torrington. State Police Troop L, Litchfield, Emergency Services Unit and the Litchfield Police Explorer Post #074 assisted with the event. This community service event benefited the American Cancer Society through donations. The event was well attended by the local area youth and the community.

The big hit of the day was "Trooper One" flying over and landing in the parking lot of the Stop & Shop, bringing area youth and parents from all around the area to the parking lot to see what was going on.

The overall event was a big hit. Those of us who stood in the parking lot speaking with people who attended watching the community families young and old, crawling and playing with the various trucks and vehicles which were provided by state, local agencies and businesses within the community. There were fire trucks, cement mixers, dump trucks, dare cars, police vehicles, bomb squad, and a racing car to mention a few.

Numerous pictures were taken, questions asked and answered by those sponsoring the vehicles. Handouts, giveaways, keepsakes, hotdogs, popcorn and free drawings just made the event a special day for such a worthy cause as the American Cancer Society. □



*DJ Mr. Harold Prout.*



*Various vehicles at the touch-a-truck.*



*Trooper One with TFC Steve Samson.*



*Sergeant Gregory J. Kenney (Union Treasurer), Police Explorer Matt Sulek, Police Explorer Anthony Dominici, Police Explorer Greg Kenney.*