

## Dominic Ferrie

Dominic Ferrie is among the most recognized faces in Wallingford, greeting friends and strangers with his welcoming smile that makes our town a better place. Dominic graduated from Lyman Hall in 2007. His work and community service vary widely including experience at All Pet's Club and Walgreens, and at Good Will and Master's Manna. There are two places, however, where he truly excelled – L.A. Hair and The Wallingford Public Library. Dom's job at L.A. Hair included keeping stations clean, folding towels, and sweeping floors. Dominic attended to his work with a positive attitude and enthusiasm. His positivity meant so much to clients that many began scheduling appointments based on which days Dominic would be working. Dominic's ability to see the beauty in all people made every customer **look** better because he made them **feel** better about themselves and the goodness of the world around them. Similar to his employment at L.A. Hair, Dominic approaches his volunteer work of shelving books, CD's, DVD's for the past 15 years at the Wallingford Public Library with diligence. He sees the value of his work knowing it makes other people's lives easier when materials are located exactly where they should be on the library shelves. As described by his former teacher Teresia O'Hala, Dominic has "a pure heart and soul that is of a child-like innocence, free from the world's impurities of greed, anger, and ego. He doesn't know how to harm or take advantage of another person because he is so full of love, kindness, and forgiveness." His mission in life is to spread joy, positivity, and kindness. Dominic follows his mission with laser precision never veering from the course.