

HOLIDAY SHOPPING WITH LOCAL FLAVOR



Delicious goodies from Oh Fudge and More. Photos courtesy of the vendors.

Shop local and handmade at Higganum pop-up market

By Kathy Brown

There was some chatter on Facebook about having a place for local crafters, but it didn't come to fruition, until Janet Verney saw that her friend Jane Huntington at Shearmatrix had a room for rent... so Janet asked Jane if she could rent it for a month for a Holiday Pop-Up Market, and Jane agreed. Janet then asked around and found four other local vendors and crafters to join her. Everything is local and handcrafted: CT River Glass pendants, Foxglove Soap Company, Oh Fudge and More, ROOTS2Wellness Books, The Higganum Company Candles, The Woman on the Edge, and Whimsical Wine Glasses.

The Market will be open Nov. 10 - Dec. 15. Hours: On Thursdays (except Thanksgiving) it will be open 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Fridays it will be open 3:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., and Saturdays & Sundays it will be open 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Cash or checks are preferred.

"I have such a passion for creative expression and I believe in supporting local," said Janet. "I want to live in an active, vibrant community that comes together to work, to play, and to give back to those in need."

One of the vendors, Deb Thomas, of The Woman on the Edge, said, "I'm excited to be a part of this winter market, and my hope for Janet's pop-up [is that] it acts like a catalyst for others. It's a truly creative way to use empty space. Why not?! I've wanted to have a shop in Higganum Center for years, but could not afford the rent. But sharing the rent for a month with other like-minded vendors is a way to achieve this. A new - even temporary - entity energizes all of us. It is everything positive about coming into a little town to do some shopping, unique to Higganum. TheWomanOnTheEdge hopes people will support



Items knit by Deb Thomas, of The Woman on the Edge.

us in doing this; there's something for everyone."

There will also be some special nights:

Ladies' Night: Thursday Nov. 15, and Thursday Dec. 6. Stop in from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. for some shopping and a cup of cheer!

Stroll in on Nov. 24 during Small Business Saturday

Guy's Night: Thursday, Dec. 13. Stop in from 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. to "shop for your special gal" and grab a brew!

Shop local! Help our community thrive and stay vibrant.

HKHS Football Team raises funds for Cancer Center

By Lisa Kauffman

In support of Breast Cancer awareness month (October), the Haddam Killingworth High School Football Team, with the help from the Touchdown Club, raised money for the Comprehensive Breast Center in Middletown. The pink socks worn at the last home game was a testament to the entire team's dedication to fight for a cure. On Oct. 17, the Seniors presented the check to the Breast Cancer Center. The Cougars, as always continue to support this worthy cause.



Top row left to right: Chase Mack, Wally Sample, Tobey Callender, Aiden Maher, Colton Lavoie, Zach Kauffman. Kneeling left to right: Dalton Brown, Parker Smith, Mike Barile, James Murphy. Missing from photo: Jordan Callahan, Mike Sonski. Photo by Lisa Kauffman.

H-K Players present It's A Wonderful Life

By Marcy Webster

The H-K Players at Haddam Killingworth High School begin their season (and christen their newly renovated auditorium) with a family friendly production of It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play on Nov. 2 and 3, at 7:00 p.m.

The play, written by Joe Landry, premiered in 1996 at Stamford Center for the Arts in Stamford, Connecticut, and has since been produced across the country. Hailed as "magical" by "The Boston Globe" and "fresh and inventive" by the "Chicago Sun-Times," It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play transposes the cinematic classic (and holiday television tradition) to the theater by staging the story as if it was a live radio broadcast in front of a studio audience. Five actors perform the voices of dozens of characters while creating "Foley" sound effects. Foley sound, named after sound-effects artist Jack Foley, is the reproduction of everyday sound effects that are added to film, video, and other media in post-production to enhance audio quality. These reproduced sounds can be anything from the swishing of clothing and footsteps to squeaky doors and breaking glass.

Tickets are \$10 each and are available for purchase at the HKHS Media Center, through a member of the cast and crew, and at the door. For more information please email Director Marcy Webster at: mwebster@rsd17.org or by calling 860-345-8541.

HKHS Field House dedicated to Patsy Kamercia

By Kathy Brown

Students, friends, alumni and family came together on Sunday, Oct. 7, to dedicate the Haddam Killingworth High School field house to Patsy Kamercia. A beautiful new sign bears the coach's name and reflects Patsy's contribution to the school community.

Patsy Kamercia passed away in November 2017 after a grueling battle with cancer. She led the HKHS Field Hockey team to a state championship in the Fall of 2016, her fortieth year of coaching. Patsy started as a physical education teacher in the H-K schools, and became the first woman to be named an athletic director in a public school system in Connecticut. Among her accomplishments: inducted into the Connecticut Athletic Director's Hall of Fame, Connecticut Field Hockey Hall of Fame, Connecticut State Coaches' Hall of Fame, and the HK Hall of Fame. Her teams won 461 games, including 16 Shoreline Conference championships. She was a role model as well as a coach, and several of her former students became coaches as well.

Donna Hayward, HKHS Principal, spoke at the event, "[Patsy] was a teacher, our first athletic director — and the first female athletic director in the state. A pioneer, Patsy is as legendary as any school figure can be as she started the athletic program here, tenaciously built a program that has served the kids of HK for decades, and continues to prosper today. . . It is only fitting that our field house, which is at the heart of our athletic facilities, bear Patsy's name. She built it, she built what goes in it, and she built thousands of happy memories, life lessons, and meaningful moments that student athletes, coaches and fans have enjoyed in this house for decades. Thank you, Patsy, for building a foundation so solid, for mentoring and raising our kids, especially our young women, to be strong and honorable, driven



Photo courtesy of RSD#17 Facebook page.

and successful. It is a source of pride today that our field house will bear your name and continue to be filled with the activities you intended."

The current HKHS Athletic Director, Lynne Flint, also spoke at the dedication (excerpts): "When I started here, I found myself very lucky to have an amazing coaching staff. The core of that staff is a group I affectionately refer to as my "starting five": Dennis O'Rourke, Richard Langer, Dick Dupuis, Mark Brookes, and Patsy Kamercia. As a new young athletic director, I was blessed to get to work alongside these pillars of the HK and CT Coaching community. These individuals are not only excellent coaches but exceptional people and Patsy was their captain. To those that never met Patsy she can be hard to describe. She is a force. Rarely wrong, and fiercely competitive, Patsy is someone opponents feared . . . She set high standards and demanded the best out of people, however, beyond her tough exterior was one of the most genuine, thoughtful people I have had the pleasure of meeting . . . I heard a quote recently that reminded me very much of Pat-

sy: "You want someone to run a four-minute mile, you don't chase them. You don't give them something to run from. You give them something to run to." Patsy gave her staff and her players someone to run to. I will think of her every time I enter this field house and will work hard to keep all that she built strong."

"If Patsy were here with us today, she would say, 'Why are you naming this Field House after me? All I did was spend 41 years doing something I loved,'" said her husband Mike, when he spoke at the dedication. He spoke of his supervisor at work, who has a locker next to his. Even though his supervisor had never met Patsy, she had attended Patsy's memorial service

last year. Recently Mike noticed that Patsy's picture and program from the memorial service were taped inside his supervisor's locker. He asked why, and she responded, "Patsy was so inspirational." Mike commented, "Here is a woman that Patsy had never met, but who had been inspired by her." He went on to say that the annual Field Hockey Alumni Game was Patsy's favorite day of the season. "She loved seeing her players and students when they returned to school. She took great pride in how they had grown, in their families, and in their careers. Although Patsy inspired them as students, their successes later in life were Patsy's inspiration." He concluded by thanking the school for giving Patsy the opportunity to continue inspiring people. "Years from now," he said, "people will see her name on this building and they won't know who she was. They will ask about her, and the story of her life and accomplishments will inspire them."

Below are some of the people inspired by Patsy's coaching:

"Deciding to play field hockey in middle school was one of the best decisions I've ever made in life. Having Patsy Kamercia (Coach Lemley back then) was the icing on the cake," said Joan Bragoni, HKHS '78. "Coach Kamercia shaped her players to believe in teamwork, kindness, togetherness, being positive thinkers and to believe in themselves. She created strong women. My daughter Stella played for Coach Kamercia and graduated in 2018. I couldn't

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Registration information about Nov. 6 election

By Raymond Skarsten and Saralyn Twomey, Haddam Certified Registrar of Voters

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Monday, Nov. 5

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HADDAM VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

HVFCo participates in motor vehicle accident drill



Photo by Olivia Drake.

By Olivia Drake, Public Information Officer, HVFCo.

At 6:45 p.m. on Oct. 22, Haddam Volunteer Fire Company was dispatched to a two-car motor vehicle accident with entrapment on Killingworth Road. Although this was a mock accident set up for training purposes, firefighters treated it as a real scenario.

Upon arrival, crews encountered a trapped patient in each vehicle. Firefighters first worked to stabilize the vehicles. Once secured, firefighters used Hurst hydraulic tools to cut open the bottom vehicle and extricate the patient. Firefighters then removed the windshield of the second vehicle and

extracted that patient.

Following the drill, firefighters gathered with their officers and discussed the overall outcome. Monday's drill was third in a three-part training series on vehicle extrication, stabilization and patient care.

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be more thankful for her role in shaping my daughter to be a strong, kind, positive young woman. Both Stella and I looked up to Patsy in awe. I am thrilled to have the HKHS gymnasium dedicated to this wonderful woman. It is well deserved."

"Patsy was an amazing coach and role model," said Marci Marciniac (HKHS '93). "She supported her students and players on and off the field. When I came back to the high school with my son it was not uncommon to see her at his lacrosse games supporting the HK team and my son! She would always check in to see what number he was and was there to cheer

him on! Patsy was an amazing woman!" Marci played Field Hockey for Coach Kamerica 1989-1993.

"Coach Kamerica will forever hold a place in my heart," said Amy Struzinski, HK Field Hockey Alumni, HKHS '02. "I learned so much more from her than how to play field hockey. She taught me and many other woman to value the importance of supporting each other. Coach had a strength-with-grace kind of attitude I will aspire to duplicate."

Brinley Anderson, HKHS '17, said, "Coach Kamerica gave so much to Haddam-Killingworth High School and the athletic program, that it seems fitting the field house is now named

after her. I believe that students and players who never got the chance to meet Coach Kamerica can now know her story and feel her impact whenever they enter the field house. Personally, Coach Kamerica had a tremendous

impact on me as both an athlete and a person. I was honored to get the chance to witness this incredible moment for not only HK field hockey and the athletic department but the entire HK community."



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Candidate statements: 36th District state representative

Haddam News reached out to candidates for the 33rd District open seat (State Senate: Democratic candidate Norm Needleman, Republican candidate Melissa Ziobron) and the 36th District seat (State Representative: incumbent Republican candidate Bob Siegrist and Democratic candidate Christine Palm) and asked them specific questions. Their responses are as follows.

Christine Palm (D)

HN: What are the top 3 issues you see facing Connecticut residents?

Palm: The top three priorities are:

- 1) Kick-starting our economy so it is robust and equitable for all working families;
- 2) Making healthcare affordable for everyone; and
- 3) Retaining compassionate, sensible protections, including those for the environment, students, women, and older adults.

HN: What are you proposing to do about those issues, should you win the State Rep. seat?

Palm: The Connecticut I grew up in had a wonderfully diversified economy that stood on five strong "legs": Manufacturing, Insurance, Defense, Retail/Commercial and Tourism. Many of the companies woven into this fabric were locally owned and run. We have become over-reliant on Fairfield Country hedge funds, have cut tourism spending, and have allowed our once-robust manufacturing sector to falter.

I'm in favor of investing in vocational and technical schools and apprenticeship programs which, when working in concert with corporations and businesses, will provide a pipeline to employment.

We need to invest in innovative, diversified start-ups. For this, I'd also like to see us reapportion the money currently being spent through the "First Five" program (\$322 million on 15 companies) in two ways:

First, rather than give millions to a few large companies, we should be giving smaller (but still critical) seed money to a wider swath of entrepreneurs, and small and mid-sized businesses, rather than huge corporations. Imagine what 320 grants of \$500,000 each could do! I would require that an affordable housing component be required, as well as retail activity. These are the two largest drivers of what makes cities and towns attractive to a young, educated workforce.

Secondly, I would use the other half (around \$160 million) to defray college debt. With an average debt of \$35,000, Connecticut's young workforce has the third highest burden in the nation. If the State gave that \$160 million to 320 companies to help pay off employees' student loans, nearly 5,000 workers would have a large expense taken care of (and could therefore stay longer at the jobs), and the employer would not have to raise wages in order to compete.

HN: Why should Haddam residents vote for you?

Palm: From knocking on Haddam residents' doors this summer and fall, I heard a constant refrain: the town lacks interesting retail opportunities and taxes are too high. Since the Yankee Nuclear Power Plant was decommissioned, residents have been



Christine Palm.

bearing the brunt of the taxes needed to maintain services. We need to bring businesses to town, which an eye that they 1) pay a living wage and 2) honor the small-town character of Haddam while being robust enough to serve the residents' needs and interesting enough to draw people here from out of town.

I consider Haddam an important part of the 36th district, not the "fourth town after Tri-Town" (Chester, Essex and Deep River). Let's work together to make a seamless Connecticut River tourism district.

HN: What are specific actions you will take/bills you will propose to improve and better the quality of life for Haddam residents?

Palm: First, we need to retain robust and fair Educational Cost Sharing (ECS) funding to keep our schools strong. I am in favor of the Constitutional Amendment requiring the State to hold public hearings before selling or bartering with public lands – we never want to go back to the days of the infamous Haddam Land Swap. And we need an overarching state economic plan that includes small towns as both drivers and beneficiaries of robust new economic activity.

HN: What is your position on sanctuary cities in our state?

Palm: I am in favor of them. We need to protect the most vulnerable among us or we all become vulnerable. While not as big an issue here as it is in the state's cities, there are families with school children living among us at risk of being deported, and we need to ensure their civil rights. We must remember the vast majority of them are productive, tax-paying people, not criminals.

HN: Would you support the granting of voting rights to green-card holders in our state?

Palm: Yes. I am in favor of having more, not fewer, people engaged in our civic life. So-called "green card hold-

Bob Siegrist (R)

HN: What are the top three issues you see facing Connecticut residents?

Siegrist: High cost of living, Connecticut's stagnant economy, and quality of life.

HN: What have you done thus far about those issues during your time as a State Rep.?

Siegrist:

A. High Cost of Living – I have made keeping money in your pocket a top priority of mine in Hartford. In May of this year, I voted for the bipartisan budget that did not raise taxes one cent. I negotiated with colleagues on the other side of the aisle to get rid of a proposed tax on tires and on cell phones. I also voted against implementing tolls and implementing a mileage tax, because I don't think you should be taxed for driving to work.

B. Connecticut's Stagnant Economy – Specifically our job market, is dragging behind our neighbors like Massachusetts and Rhode Island. This is do to the need to make significant reforms to Connecticut's fiscal structures. I was proud to support the implementation of a Spending Cap, a Bonding Cap, and a Revenue Cap in the past session. These measures will place limits on how much the state can spend and borrow, and will also provide built in savings for years to come. The Revenue Cap will prevent the legislature from spending all the revenue that comes in during a given year, a portion which will automatically go towards paying down unfunded pension liabilities.

C. Ensuring Quality of Life for All – With an improving economy, we also need to take steps to improve quality of life for the residents here in Haddam. I have already worked hard to make significant improvements to our community. I worked with the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, the Department of Public Health, and Haddam First Selectwoman Lizz Milardo to secure funding for critical water infrastructure improvements in the Tylerville section of Haddam ensuring clean, safe drinking water to hundreds of residents.

HN: What are you proposing to do about those issues, should you win re-election?

Siegrist: I think we begin to examine all of state government and take steps to address waste and redundancies. Overall, I think many state agencies, like DMV, or the Department of Social Services can run more efficiently and in a manner that is easier and more accessible to constituents. Additionally, I feel we simply spend too much as a state. Re-tuning our Government to



Bob Siegrist

encourage growth of our economy is essential.

I will also vote against tax increases, new taxes, and toll proposals. I think money is better left in your pocket than in the State's coffers.

We live in a beautiful part of the state, and we have many attractive, small businesses. I think an effective means of growing this area's economy is increasing tourism. I will continue to advocate for funding for development that makes it easier for our town to attract tourism through improved transportation and support for small businesses. I also consider it very important that any such development would not jeopardize the area's serene natural environment.

HN: Why should Haddam residents vote for you?

Siegrist: I am the local, experienced voice that can best advocate for them in Hartford. I've lived in Haddam since I was 12 years old and graduated from Haddam Killingworth High School in 2001; I understand the issues facing residents because they are also my issues.

I participated in every vote in the House Chamber the past two years. If I am re-elected, I will strive to retain my 100% voting record. I take my position in Hartford very seriously and since the legislature only meets for part of the year, I don't think I should miss anything that may affect our community.

I will always focus on what truly impacts your day-to-day lives, as well as continuing to work in a bipartisan manner committed to common sense policies aimed at building a better future for the residents of Haddam. Most importantly, I will always be your local voice supporting your best interests.

HN: What are specific actions you will take/bills you will propose to improve and better the quality of life for Haddam residents in your district?

Siegrist: Should I be fortunate enough

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Candidate statements: 33rd District state senator

Norm Needleman (D)

HN: What are the top 3 issues you see facing Connecticut residents?

Needleman: The towns in our district do not receive their fair share of support from the state. Every year, our district sends tens of millions of dollars to Hartford. And every year, we get less and less state support in return. I will work to eliminate inequities in state funding, and make certain that every town in our district gets its fair share of support. As importantly, I will support procedures that result in stable state budgets, so our towns can develop municipal budgets with the certainty that support will not fluctuate in mid-course.

The state's finances are a mess. Partisan bickering, shortsighted legislators, and knee-jerk reactions to profound economic challenges are what got us into our current fiscal mess. That has to change. We need realistic revenue projections, hard decisions about spending priorities need to be reality-based, and the budget development process needs to be inclusive, not exclusionary. In Essex, Republicans, Democrats, and Independents work together to focus on doing more with less. The result: our taxes are lower than 90% of the municipalities in our state. **Economic development and job creation must be a priority.** Re-building the economic vitality of our state and our district is key to almost every element of the quality of life, including infrastructure maintenance, education, the environment, and everyone's favorite, lower taxes. I will use my experience as a job creator to build a reality-based economic development plan that will make it easier for small and large business to operate and prosper.

HN: What have you done thus far about those issues in your capacity as First Selectman in Essex?

Needleman: Essex is an example of how to successfully address many of the problems facing the state.

Operating Budgets: Every year I have been in office (currently serving my fourth term as First Selectman), town budgets have been balanced. We saw the state's budget crisis happening, and made provisions for it by installing strict budget disciplines. Among the steps we took was streamlining town operations to make them more efficient. The result: unanimous agreement on town budgets in town meetings. And, despite evaporating state support, we have continually improved services.

Taxes: Our focus on budget discipline and efficient delivery of services has kept Essex taxes lower than 90% of the towns in our state. This year, we lowered the mil rate.

Economic Development: Careful planning has made Essex an over-achiever in job creation and economic development. Our small town is now home to over 700 businesses.

Nonpartisan cooperation: Republicans, Democrats, and Independents



Norm Needleman.

work side by side in Essex to find ways to do more with less. We have created an inclusive atmosphere that values cooperation and mutual support for good ideas more than anything else. Essex municipal government is free from partisan bickering and decision based on politics.

HN: What are you proposing to do about those issues, should you win the State Sen. seat?

Needleman:

1. Stop the blame game. We need cooperation, not finger-pointing. The way out of the financial mess is to stop the political gamesmanship that cripples any real chance for cooperation. We must embrace inclusion as the way to forge the dialogue that can resolve difficult issues. No tractable solution to the financial crisis will result without meaningful participation from all stakeholders.
2. Start with reliable revenue projections. The state has to live within its means. The budget process should begin with revenue projections that are both reasonable and reliable. Overly optimistic revenue projections have caused budget instability, knee-jerk fixes, and fluctuating funding for our towns, making local budgets unstable and compromising delivery of services.
3. Recognize that shared sacrifice is required. Interest groups, legislators, and the administration must come to the table recognizing an unavoidable reality: we can't always get what we want. Not everyone will leave the table happy, but all stakeholders have to share the responsibility for putting the state on the road to financial stability.
4. Start on the road to a proven long-term solution. Job creation through aggressive economic development is the permanent solution to the state's financial crisis. We need a comprehensive, long-term plan that will define the path to attracting businesses of all sizes and the high paying jobs that come with them. Those businesses want certainty, not a constant refrain of gloom and doom. When a long-term plan is implemented, our state

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Melissa Ziobron (R)

HN: What are the top 3 issues you see facing Connecticut residents?

Ziobron: We have several problems: large budget deficits (built over decades of mismanagement, mainly by not funding pension payments) a stagnant state economy (fueled by uncertainty in the legislature's ability to live within its means) and an atmosphere of extreme partisanship that makes collaboration difficult.

Many Connecticut business owners view the State as hostile to business; this needs to change. Our regulatory system and slow-moving bureaucracies continue to drive many of our businesses out of the state and discourage new businesses from being started here.

Connecticut has become unaffordable for many of its residents. The high cost of living discourages many young adults from returning to the state after they complete their educations. In addition, our parents and grandparents are forced to move away from their families after they retire because the simply cannot afford to live in state.

What have you done thus far about those issues during your time as State Rep.?

As a State Representative, I have consistently opposed wasteful and unnecessary spending by our State's government. I have been one of the leaders in developing alternative budget plans that reduced state spending instead of relying on additional tax increases.

I have worked to make Connecticut more affordable for seniors by supporting legislation to phase out the tax on social security and pensions. The Republican budget plan, that I helped to write, also instituted constitutional spending and statutory borrowing caps. It also made substantial contributions to the State's Rainy-Day Fund.

My efforts helped stop Governor Malloy's plan to shift millions of dollars on teacher pension costs on to local property taxpayers. I also worked with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to reinstate Education Cost Sharing grants to all 169 towns and to create a new formula that removes much of the politics from the process.

HN: What are you proposing to do about those issues, should you win the State Sen. seat?

Ziobron: We need to work towards a model that changes the way we budget at the Capitol. Democrats have been content to develop a spending package without consideration of revenue. Reorganizing the budget process should be a priority; waiting to vote on a budget until the last few days of session is unacceptable. A Ways and Means Committee would be a possible solution that could be immediately implemented.

HN: Why should Haddam residents vote for you?

Ziobron: As a lifelong resident of East Haddam and as a State Representative for the past six years, I am very familiar with the concerns of Haddam and



Melissa Ziobron.

all of the town in the lower Connecticut River Valley.

The beauty of this region is one of our greatest assets; many of our local businesses depend on tourism and the natural beauty of this area is vital for the quality of life for residents. For this reason, I have made environmental conservation a major focus of my time in Hartford.

In addition, the long-term fiscal stability of the State should be important to every resident of Connecticut. I have a consistent track record of opposing wasteful State spending and have fought all of the Governor's tax increase proposals. I also worked to restore Educational Cost Sharing funds that Governor Malloy and the democrat leadership cut from Haddam's students.

HN: What are specific actions you will take/bills you will propose to improve and better the quality of life for Haddam residents?

Ziobron: Environmental conservation is vitally important. I will continue to propose legislation that encourages investment in and promotion of tourism in our region. This sort of commerce supports thousands of business across the 33rd district. Our state and local municipalities have done great work in protecting open space, the lower Connecticut River valley and the shoreline.

I will continue my work to support and bolster small business, particularly light manufacturing, regional farming and cottage foods by identifying and seeking to remove burdensome and unnecessary regulations.

HN: What is your position on sanctuary cities in Connecticut?

Ziobron: I believe that all members of the law enforcement community should work together and that state and local governments should not "pick and choose" the federal laws they will and won't enforce.

Providing a "safe haven" for illegal aliens, and releasing law breakers back into our communities to shield them from federal immigration authorities, is unfair to immigrants who respect our nation's laws. In addition to waiting months or years to come here, legal im-

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Above: Line forms for the tour. *Photo by Amy Roper.* **Right:** Pictured is Susie Avery, real name Susan Trafton (portrayed by HK High School Student Maranda Morrell) was arrested and imprisoned for horse theft at the age of 17 in 1912. At the time of her arrest she was nine months pregnant and she gave birth to her daughter Eleanor in the jail while awaiting trial. Her case was dismissed and she returned to Maine to her family. Eleanor is the only known child to have been born in the jail. *Photo by Lisa Malloy.*

Tour of Haddam Jail a resounding success

By Lisa Malloy, Executive Director, Haddam Historical Society

On Saturday, Oct. 20, the Haddam Historical Society hosted a Cell Block Tour of the Haddam Jail featuring former inmates who served time in jail in the 19th and 20th centuries.

Featured were the Notorious Widow McIntosh jailed for arson and burglary and released after four months to her little house



Photo by Amy Roper.

on Candlewood Hill Road. She later was washed away in the famous 1869 Higganum flood, the only local casualty of that storm. Also jailed was Fred Henderson for stealing a car. He married his very pregnant girlfriend, Dorothy Cooper while behind bars in 1921. Visitors also met the famous forger Mrs. Harper who had more aliases than the Haddam phone book. Other prisoners included bigamist Thomas Moran and sweet Susie Avery while former State Trooper Jack Calhoun told the story of murderer Emil Schutte of Cremation Hill fame.

Over 300 people attended the event and the Haddam Historical Society would like to thank the Town of Haddam, Chris Corsa, Amy Roper, Joanne Nesti, Bill Schneider, Laura Schneider, Marijean Conrad, Dianne and Anne McHutchison, Ron and Mary Alice Matulevich, Sarah and David Neal, Jack Calhoun, Gerry Matthews, Arjun Badami, Valleri Freibauer, and Maranda Morrell.



Pictured is prisoner Thomas Henry Moran (portrayed by actor, Haddam resident Gerry Matthews), jailed for bigamy in 1931 at the 59. He married two women, one at the north end of Main Street in Middletown and one at the south end of Main Street in Middletown and unfortunately their paths crossed. Thomas served a one-year sentence. *Photo by Lisa Malloy.*

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City Bench

By Kathy Brown

Is there a tree that you love on your property, but it must be taken down either because it sustained storm damage, or a beetle is destroying it? Do you wish there were a way to immortalize that tree? There is. And the solution is right here in Higganum.

City Bench was started by Zeb and Ted Esselstyn in Higganum in 2010 "as a niche furniture company dedicated to repurposing urban trees that are felled in Connecticut cities." Trees come down in urban areas due to blight or pests, storm damage, or to make way for new buildings. Prior to City Bench, the trees were just thrown into landfills. Now those trees are given new life as various pieces of furniture.

When I visited the workshop recently, there were various pieces of furniture in process: a beautiful mantel, a table for a residence, a bench, and a 12' long table that was going to go in a public building. Most of the wood comes from the "urban forest," which simply means trees that grow in cities.

People often take a circuitous route to arrive at their present vocation, including Ted and his brother Zeb. Ted Esselstyn moved to Connecticut with his wife Anne in 1995, with their two small children. He started medical training at Middlesex Family Physicians while Anne began work at Crescent Street OB/GYN where she has worked as an OB/GYN ever since. After his internship, however, he left to begin building furniture and working all over the state as an artist, painting murals and building exhibits at children's museums, libraries, schools, hospitals, and nature centers. In 2008, Zeb had finished his degree from Columbia in Journalism. The stars aligned when Zeb was looking for work in a "very tight job market" and Ted was inspired "to create an artistic business that was both sustainable and creatively inspired." Thus, City Bench was born.

Though their primary source of wood is the City



(l to r) Sam Bonnie, Ben Komola, Ted Esselstyn. Photo by Kathy Brown.



One of their available products on the website – a white oak entry table. Photo from City Bench website.

of New Haven, they also use trees from customers. Their mill is set up at the Parks & Recreation Maintenance Facility in

New Haven so that they can "show kids how we re-use the urban trees." They also provide lumber for the city, and have made furniture for New Haven public schools. According to Ted, "All in all it has become a win-win relationship for both New Haven and City Bench."


"The furniture we make can be found in homes across the state as well as board room tables and universities," explained Ted. "At the moment we are processing some reclaimed wood for Harvard University, building benches for a river walk in Stamford, and we recently finished renovation of a totem pole for Newman's Own Foundation's Headquarters in Westport. The work is incredibly varied and full of rich story telling."

When I toured their Higganum facility, I was amazed at the detail of their work, from markings on the

wood to record the provenance, to the kiln to dry the wood, to detailed drawings of a work in progress, and a bench that was awaiting delivery to a customer. The amount and variety of wood they had at the shop was awe inspiring. Ted said, "We love working out of the two barns in our Higganum backyard. We primarily fabricate the furniture here in Higganum."

He went on to say that "[customers] love driving to town and seeing us working on their pieces and showing off beautiful slabs of wood from all over. Most of our clients have never been to Higganum and remark on how beautiful the surroundings are."

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Above: A squad cheerleaders Anadalay Garcia and Carly Rosa react as the A squad players break through the banner after pre-game introductions. *Photos by Eric Anderson.*

Left: Michael Seward (31) of the B squad attempts a 2 point kick as Chase Smalley (32) holds during the second half of the Berlin game.

Week 6 highlights: Squads successful in all contests

By Eric Anderson, Public Relations Director, HKYFA

The Haddam Killingworth Youth Football and Cheer A, B and C squads hosted the Berlin Bears on Sunday, Oct. 14, at Eric Auer Field at KRP and were successful in all contests. The HK squads will be preparing extra hard for the final 2 weeks of the regular season as teams across the league fight for a spot in post season play which begins on Nov. 4.

The A squad won their third game in a row to improve to 4-2 on the season with a convincing 32-6 victory over the visiting Bears of Berlin. HK doubled its 16-0 halftime advantage in the second half and with relentless defensive pressure throttled any chance of a Berlin comeback. The Cougars scored maximum points on 4 possessions with their strong extra point kicking game.

The defensive mark was set early as Lee and Cary Harwood stopped Berlin runners for no gain in their first 2 snaps and Orion Inkel blocked Berlin's first punt. Tate Callender would recover a fumble and rush for 2 scores and Kevin Harrison had an interception to thwart Berlin's only scoring chance of the half.

HK received the ball first in the second half and mounted an 11 play drive that ended with quarterback Alex Phipps rushing in from the 1 yard line. Orion Inkel outran a Berlin defender and dove across the goal line after a 15 yard run to cap off HK's second half scoring. HK allowed Berlin only 1

net yard of offense in their first 2 possessions of the second half while recording 3 tackles for a loss and a sack. Berlin scored a touchdown as time expired for the final margin of victory.

Tackle leaders for the game included Nick Fox (5), Aiden Griswold (3), Lee Harwood (3), Carey Harwood (2), Inkel (2), Callender (2), Jacob Maier (1.5), Harrison (1), Caleb Dias (1), Jayden Fulton (1, 1 sack), Ben Cozean (1) and Bryce Anderson (0.5). Callender rushed for 77 yards with Inkel and Lee Harwood contributing 43 and 19 yards respectively. Cavin Napoletano was a perfect 4 for 4 on extra-point kicks for HK.

The Cougars traveled to Cromwell on Sunday, Oct. 21 to take on the Lions (4-1).

In the first game of the day the HK B squad beat Berlin by a score of 50-20 to remain undefeated at 6-0 on the season. The Cougars are one of only 2 undefeated teams in the CTYFL B division and will travel to Cromwell to play the Lions (3-3) on Sunday.

Cougars C Squad Outlast Bears 13-7 in Epic Battle: The HK Cougars hosted the Berlin Bears in a match-up for the ages. Coming into the game, both teams sported identical 4-1 records, with both having fallen to the same opponent (East Hartford Hornets). The game did not disappoint as both squads played hard and executed well – 80+ plays with no turnovers and only 5 penalties.

The game started with the Cougars taking posses-

sion near midfield and earning two quick first downs on runs from Josiah Bourne, Josh Frith and Axel Kolcio. The team opened up the scoring on a 29-yard completion from Owen Jones to Axel Kolcio, capped off by a successful PAT, again Jones throwing to Kolcio.

After a long kickoff return to the Cougar 25-yard line, the H-K defense was stout – returning the ball to the offense 4 plays later. The Cougar offense collected two more first downs before stalling and punting back to the Bears. Three plays later (after great tackles from Jake McGrath and Lucas Norko and a pass break-up from Garrett Whitmer and Owen Jones), the Cougars took possession on their 31-yard line. Josiah Bourne again powered through for solid gains while Axel Kolcio had a long run negated by a holding penalty. Bourne converted a 4th-and-1 at midfield and Tyler Napierkowski took some carries to move the ball deeper into Bear territory. Bourne broke free for a 20-yard gain, John Moyher added a carry and Jones connected with Bourne on a pass to bring the ball to the 2 yard line. Moyher plunged in behind great blocks from Kyle House and Eli Hamman-Shay and the Cougars took a 13-0 lead into halftime.

Undeterred, Berlin took possession in the second half and advanced the ball 39 yards on 11 plays before stalling on the Cougar 20. The HK offense

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TO THE EDITOR

Editors Note: The views stated here are those of the individual contributors and do not necessarily reflect those of the staff of Haddam-KillingworthNow.com or Haddam News.

In Support of Norm Needleman

A mailer arrived at my house this past week that was so full of erroneous implications and information about Norm Needleman that I am compelled to publicly correct some of it.

First, the truth about taxes in Essex: in Norm's four terms as First Selectman in Essex, taxes have remained lower than 90% of all other municipalities in the state. And, this year the property tax rate in Essex was lowered.

Second, the truth about Norm Needleman's salary: when state support evaporated, he reduced his salary by 75% and donated the remaining 25% to area charities. To call it 'wasteful spending' is more than misleading ... it is an outright lie.

Norm Needleman is as much an "honest Abe" character as I have seen in politics. He is totally committed to public service. He has solved Essex's problems with probity, ingenuity and intelligence and now he wants to bring these character traits and skills to Hartford where, by the way, he will not accept a salary.

Melissa's Ziobron's long-term reputation will depend on her taking a stand against "dark money" slurs against her opponent. I hope she does.

Sincerely,

Claire K. Matthews
Essex

Terenzi supports Siegrist

It is with a strong sense of pride that I write this letter in support of Representative Bob Siegrist for the position in the 36th District for the State of Connecticut. As a registered Democrat for almost all my life supporting a Republican Representative is something that certainly is worthy of note. I've known Representative Siegrist for a number of years now and have worked with him on Public Safety Issues. His extreme dedication, integrity and professionalism along with an overwhelming commitment to the people in the 36th District is certainly worth bringing forward to the people that he serves. As a retired Lt. Col. from the Connecticut State Police, working with Mr. Siegrist on several issues has demonstrated to me that he regularly seeks professional opinions as to how better to serve and protect each and every one of his constituents in our district. Whether he is seeking ideas for the most recent car breaks or out securing hundreds of thousands of dollars in a bond for our 9/11 system, he constantly keeps the best

interest of his constituents in mind. In this day and age is appreciated that Representative Siegrist is not another self-serving politician.

It is not often that someone such as Mr. Siegrist is able to work across party lines and get whatever is necessary done to serve the best interest of us in our district. It is evident that his growing up here and working in the district is a huge plus for all of us. To know what our needs are and work to gain them is a commendable undertaking. His accessibility at the coffee hours that he holds to speak with his constituents, his budget hours in town hall meetings, and his constant availability even when the Legislature is in session has made him one of the most approachable and understanding politicians that we've had in our district in a very long time.

I can only recommend that each and every one of us that lives in the 36th District consider casting a vote for Mr. Siegrist and re-electing him to continue representing all of us. We can no longer have the progressive Democratic agenda which has released far too many convicted criminals back into our society without proper vetting. Those convicted and early released persons have stolen our property and taken away our sense of security in our own homes. I can only say thank you to Bob for being there for this district when we needed him most and for having a complete and thorough understanding of the issues that surround us in our small towns.

Sincerely,

Peter Terenzi
Deep River

Bob Siegrist – Skills, Attitude, and Personality for The Job

I typically do not write letters like this but, our state is at a pivotal inflection point. While the business climate is harsh, it has a lot of room for improvement provided that we have the right individuals in Hart-

ford. Bob Siegrist is that individual. I believe that the right candidates can be categorized in the following manners: Do they have the right skill sets, the right attitude, and of course the right personality. I believe Bob has these skills. We need Bob Siegrist and his consistency in Hartford.

I've known Bob both before and after he was elected to serve as our State Representative. One of Bob's most significant skills is that he knows how to work with people, and find compromises that do not violate his principles. In this next legislative session, these skills are going to be critical. I believe Bob to be an honest, compassionate, and ethical public servant. I know he works tirelessly to improve the quality of life for all residents of our district and state. Bob also has another unique skill. He has the uncanny ability to read other people and has the self-awareness to understand how they see him. While most people think of self-awareness as introspection, in his case its essence is other-awareness; that is, knowing how other people see you and how his actions in Hartford impacts all of us. Bob is a worker and not a political hack, his actions show that he is willing to fight fiscal mismanagement, and hold our government accountable which is precisely what is needed now. Bob can help bring sanity back to Hartford. I hope you will vote for Bob Siegrist for State Representative this November.

Peter Decker
Essex

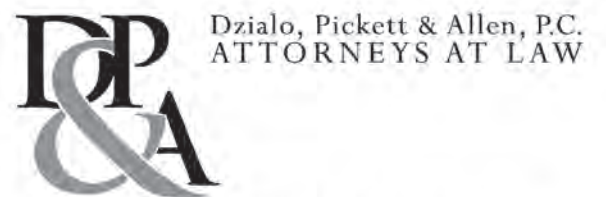
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Bob Siegrist

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to earn re-election, I will have three pieces of legislation I would like to propose from the outset. The first is to remove the business entity tax. In Connecticut, a business is taxed \$250 annually simply for existing. This hinders new business development and I believe this type of law hurts Connecticut's economic recovery. I will also propose a bill to establish term limits for elected officials. I would propose a limit of six terms for legislators, and two terms for executive branch officials. Additionally, I would re-submit a proposal I made this past session for a bill that would allow volunteer fire departments to provide traffic control on a state highway or municipal road during a special event of limited duration that is sponsored by a municipality or civic or religious organization. Our volunteer firefighters are highly trained and skilled, so I support allowing them to assist our communities in non-emergency situations.

HN: What is your position on sanctuary cities in our state?

Siegrist: I am opposed to sanctuary cities because I think that in order to achieve the safest society possible, it is essential that law enforcement agencies on the federal, state, and local level all have a collaborative relationship regardless of who is in the White House.

HN: Would you support the granting of voting rights to green-card holders in our state?

Siegrist:

I believe that voting in Federal and State Elections is a right reserved for naturalized or natural born citizens of the United States. If green card holders desire the right to vote, they should go through the naturalization process. The naturalization process could certainly be improved, but that is up to Connecticut's Congressional Delegation in Washington.

Norm Needleman

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will regain its status as a place where businesses can grow and prosper.

HN: Why should Haddam residents vote for you?

Needleman: I have the direct experience, the attitude and the credibility to be the voice our district badly needs in the state senate. We're not getting our fair share of state support, knee jerk budget cuts result in higher property taxes, and the Hartford politicians have no idea how to create jobs and restore the economic vitality of our state. I have a proven track record of successfully addressing the tough issues that have a negative impact on our district. I believe I can become a leader in reversing those negative trends. I ask for your support in giving me that opportunity.

HN: What are specific actions you will take/bills you will propose to improve and better the quality of life for Haddam residents in your district?

Needleman:

1. Reduce unfunded mandates in all areas of educa-

tion and municipal government

2. Require the state to assume responsibility for special education funding
3. Allow Small businesses to deduct payroll taxes
4. Expand eligibility criteria for property tax relief for seniors
5. Make technical schools and job training classes more affordable
6. Institute education loan forgiveness programs for graduates who remain in the state

Christine Palm

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ers" are lawful permanent residents, so long as they don't commit crimes. Being able to vote is a central way of gaining purchase, or investment, in our American way of life.

WARNING NOVEMBER 6, 2018 STATE ELECTION

The Electors of the Town of Haddam are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said town on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, for the following purposes:

- To cast their votes for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, Secretary of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller, Attorney General, and Judge of Probate.
- To vote on the following questions for the approval or disapproval of a proposed AMENDMENT to the Constitution of Connecticut, a vote of "YES" being a vote for approval, and a vote of "NO" being a vote for disapproval:
 1. Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to ensure (1) that all moneys contained in the Special Transportation Fund be used solely for transportation purposes, including the payment of debts of the state incurred for transportation purposes, and (2) that sources of funds deposited in the Special Transportation Fund be deposited in said fund so long as such sources are authorized by statute to be collected or received by the state?
 2. Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to require (1) a public hearing and the enactment of legislation limited in subject matter to the transfer, sale or disposition of state-owned or state-controlled real property or interests in real property in order for the General Assembly to require a state agency to sell, transfer or dispose of any real property or interest in real property that is under the custody or control of the agency, and (2) if such property is under the custody or control of the Department of Agriculture or the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, that such enactment of legislation be passed by a two-thirds vote of the total membership of each house of the General Assembly?

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The vote on the proposed questions is taken pursuant to the Constitution of Connecticut.

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Voting machines will be used. The polls will be opened at six o'clock in the morning (6:00a.m.) And will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening (8:00p.m.).

Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following central location – Haddam Firehouse Complex, 439 Saybrook Road, Higganum.

Dated at Haddam, Connecticut, this 25th day of October, 2018.

Scott R. Brookes, Town Clerk
Town of Haddam

PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Hearing and Meeting at the Haddam Town Hall, 21 Field Park Dr., Haddam, CT on November 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following item (s):

Public Hearing and Meeting:

A modification to a previously approved site plan approval for 23 and 27 Killingworth Road, property location known as the Higganum Pharmacy and shown on Tax Map 15 Lot 138.

Said application is on file in the Land Use Office of the Town of Haddam.

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

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Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
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Youth football

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returned the favor by running 11 plays and moving the ball back into Bear territory. An unsuccessful 4th down play gave the Bears the ball back on their own 38 yard line. The resilient Berlin team reeled off a 12-play drive, capped off by a 4th-and-8 touch-down pass from the Cougar 15 yard line. After a successful PAT, the Bears attempted an onside kick with 1:49 to play. A big time play from Tyler Napierkowski thwarted the Berlin attempt to regain possession. However, the Cougars came up just short on 4th down and returned the ball to the Bears on the Berlin 46 yard line with 0:20 left in the game. With three "nailbiter" pass defense plays, the Cougars sealed the victory and moved to 5-1 on the season.

The offense was paced by an outstanding effort from Josiah Bourne (21 carries, 99 yards; 1 reception, 8 yards). The defense had many outstanding contributions – many from Josh Frith, Garrett Whitmer, Owen Jones, Josiah Bourne and Jake McGrath. The Cougars collected 193 yards on 44 plays and earned 11 first downs and the Bears tallied 108 yards on 36 plays and earned 6 first downs.

The Cougar D squad had a bye this week and will play Cromwell (5-0) in week 7.

Friday, November 2– Saturday, November 3

It's a Wonderful Life: A Live Radio Play, 7:00 p.m. each evening
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Sunday, November 4

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Tuesday, November 6

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OBITUARIES

Anthony Rigono

According to Legacy.com and The Hartford Courant, Anthony Rigono, age 87, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 23. Tony, born in 1931, was a resident of Higganum, and was the husband of Linda Rigono. He had retired to Higganum 20 years ago after working for the Board of Education in New York City. He was often seen in Higganum, and will be sorely missed.

Joan Costin

According to Legacy.com and The New Haven Register, Joan Costin, age 88, who lived at the Saybrook at Haddam, passed away on Sunday, Oct. 21.

Dennis Bengtson

According to Legacy.com and The Middletown Press, Dennis K. Bengtson Jr., age 37, of Higganum, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 20.

Eugene Veit

According to Legacy.com and The Middletown Press, Eugene "Gene" Veit, age 76, of Higganum, passed away on Saturday, Oct. 20.

Evelyn Hogan

According to Legacy.com and The New Haven Register, Evelyn Johnson Hogan, age 93, formerly of Killingworth, passed away on Tuesday, Oct. 16.

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Melissa Ziobron

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migrants abide by the entry, employment, health, and processing laws and regulations set by our government. Besides giving future prospective immigrants little incentive to follow the law, sanctuary policies are an affront to those who do it the right way.

HN: Would you support the granting of voting rights to green-card holders in Connecticut?

Ziobron: If a resident alien desires the privilege of voting, they should simply seek to apply for full citizenship.

COMMUNITY

Haddam-Killingworth Youth & Family Services: Stuff-A-Cruiser Toy Drives this Holiday Season

An opportunity for neighbors to give to neighbors and share the gift of holiday spirit, what is best about living where we live and what we do so well. Dates: Nov. 24 in Haddam and Dec. 2 in Killingworth. Details to follow.

2nd Annual Holiday Craft Fair at the Senior Center is November 18

By Paula Woodworth

The event was such a success last year, we are back again! It will feature handmade items and crafts from 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Haddam Senior Center (923 Saybrook Road, across from the Brainerd Memorial Library). Please support the Haddam Fuel Bank. Refreshments will also be available.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

State 33rd Senatorial Debates

The two candidates for the 33rd Senatorial District (Melissa Ziobron, Republican and Norm Needleman, Democrat) have had a couple of debates. The first occurred Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at the Colchester's Bacon Academy (High School). The second occurred Monday, October 22, 2018 at Deep River's Valley Regional High School. This district includes Haddam.

I attended the first. It was run by the high school students (moderators, time keepers & question askers), that is, with a little help from teachers. The questions were asked by members of the Young Republican and Democrat clubs at the school. The candidates didn't know the questions in advance so it was a real test of their knowledge of the subjects. The candidates took turns answering with one minute for the first, followed by one and a half minutes for the second and finally a half minute rebuttal.

Spoiler alert, opinion ... Mr. Needleman was

quick to point out every negative vote that Ms. Ziobron has made in her four years as State Representative of the 34th District. He also challenged her tendency to try and cut the cost of every bill that came up before the legislature.

I have two issues with Mr. Needleman's positions: First he does acknowledge that the State has a fiscal problem, but he doesn't seem to feel anything should be done about it. Second he feels the State Senator's job is a part time position and fully plans to keep his position as Essex First Selectman and management of a business he owns there. On the other hand, Ms. Ziobron has devoted herself full time to her current position. To me, any less deprives the voters of the district what they expect of their representative.

Sincerely,

*R. Thurston Clark
Haddam Neck*

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Vendor Fair set for Nov. 4

By Betty Cernan

Save the date and shop close to home! The Haddam Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary's 8th Annual Holiday Vendor Fundraiser will be held at the firehouse at 439 Saybrook Road on Sunday, Nov. 4, from noon to 3:00 p.m.

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