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#### HK/Morgan/Hale-Ray Gymnastics Co-op vs Mercy, Valley Regional, Old Lyme, & East Lyme/Waterford/Norwich Tech Co-op

By Juliana Gagliardi, Captain of HKHS/Morgan/Hale Ray Co-op Gymnastics Team

The HK/Morgan/Hale-Ray Gymnastics Coop had a meet on Wednesday, Jan. 29 against Mercy, Valley Regional, Old Lyme, and the



East Lyme/Waterford/Norwich Tech Co-op held at Flip Flop Gymnastics.

First Place: Mercy: 128.85

Second Place: East Lyme/Waterford/Norwich Tech

Co-op: 120.3

Third Place: Valley Regional: 114.75 Fourth Place: Lyme-Old Lyme: 100.2 HK did not qualify as a team.

#### **Individual results**

#### Vault

Juliana Gagliardi (HK) 9.15

Mia Lawrence (Mercy) 9.0

Emma Pfau (Mercy)

8.55

Grace Jacarusso (Valley) 8.5

Charlie Weaver (Mercy)

8.5

Maria Denya (LOL) 8.4 Erin Ward (Valley) 8.35 Annie Berger (Mercy)

8.3 Avery Sulman (EL/W/

NT) 8.3

Kaitlyn Abbey (EL/W/

NT) 8.3

Katherine Bergman (HK) 8.25

Isabella Giuliano (Valley) 8.2

Grace Arnold (LOL) 8.2 Kendra Cika (Valley) 8.15

Julie Hartt (Valley) 8.05 Summer Siefken (LOL)

8.05 Lauren Turner (Mercy)

8.0 Anjali Runa (EL/W/NT)

8.0 Nicole Karns (EL/W/

NT) 7.7

Sami Olson (LOL) 5.8

#### Bars

Juliana Gagliardi (HK) 8.3

Mia Lawrence (Mercy) 8.2

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Photos by Olivia Drake.





# Crews respond to report of house fire

By Olivia Drake, HVFC Public Information Officer

Haddam Volunteer Fire Company and Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company responded to a reported structure fire at 5:20 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, on Hidden Lake Road. Upon arrival, firefighters encountered heavy smoke billowing from an attic window.

The residents had already evacuated the home.

Crews removed all burning debris from a wood boiler, located in the home's basement and investigated the chimney for blockage. After all burning material was removed, fire-fighters vented the home with fans and checked for any hot spots in the walls. They also metered the home for unusual carbon monoxide levels.

Firefighters encouraged the homeowners to have their chimney and appliances inspected by a professional company.

Several other mutual aid companies were dispatched and canceled en route.

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### Killingworth Library improvements update

We asked, you answered, we listened! Thank you!
Change is welcome at the Killingworth Library, which is striving to meet the needs of the community. A community survey was distributed in November 2019 asking Killingworth Library users to give us their opinions about library services. Over 260 people responded with thoughtful, constructive suggestions. The survey was done as part of a wide-ranging strategic planning process begun last

April by the KLA Board of Directors. This stage of the process followed in-depth discussions with staff, volunteers and board members using a technique to identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats (SWOT). Further community input obtained through key informant interviews and focus groups will lead to the development of a strategic plan to guide in the growth and development of the library.

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#### **Immediate Concerns Tackled**

1. One message came across loud and clear - the Killingworth Library needed to adjust its hours to better serve the needs of the community. As of Jan. 3, 2020, this issue was tackled. The library is now open until at least 6 PM every weekday and continues to have its extended evening hours on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We also open one hour earlier on Mon., Wed., and Fri.

• Mon., Wed., Fri. 9:00 am - 6:00 pm

• Tues. and Thurs. 10:00 am - 8:00 pm

• Saturday 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

2. Patrons also mentioned that they would like us to offer more daytime programming. We have jumped right in with a series of periodic Sunday afternoon programs beginning on Feb. 2. Details on this afternoon series on the fight for women's right to vote, during this centennial celebration year are on our website, www.killingworthlibrary.org.

3. Many patrons noted that more programming is needed to draw in tweens and teens. In addition to our ongoing Readers and Eaters series we are launching a tween Anime film series. Anime is a popular style of Japanese comic book and cartoon animation. The series starts Friday, Feb. 7, from 4:30 to 6 PM, with pizza and beverages provided. Also new is our Dungeons and Dragons program, on the second and fourth Fridays of each month from 4-6 pm, as well as an introduction to the new Board game, Wingspan, which has a multigenerational appeal.

4. Survey respondents also suggested improvements to access to print and electronic downloadable materials. These improvements were already in the works and we've modified our website to clarify patron access to browse collections. Our new memberships to Bibliomation has improved the access and timeliness to interlibrary loan immensely for print materials. We also now have Libby/Overdrive, Bookflix, and Hoopla for electronic material access. One immediate challenge is to get the word out, so our patrons know how to use these new resources. Fortunately, in addition to our library staff, our young tech experts from the Haddam-Killingworth Leos club (junior Lions Club affiliated members) are stepping up to help, with the first Tech Time session set for Jan. 27, 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

5. We also noted that patrons find the library to be a little too noisy. While acknowledging and celebrating that we are a friendly community gathering spot and have never been a "shush" library, this issue can be annoying. We are trying to be more sensitive to this issue as well as looking into noise-baffling options and possibly longer-term solutions.

We just wanted to let you know what we've been up to since we asked for your input. We appreciate your support of our library.

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# Haddam's hidden homeless: taking care of those in need

By Kathy Brown

In a town like Haddam, we don't see the homeless on the street asking for money, we don't see them in the center of town, huddled in the doorway of a store. So there must not be a problem. In fact, we do have homeless people here in town. Jessica Condil, Haddam Social Services Director, has one homeless person in Haddam who she is working with right now. Jessica is also working with five individual men and one woman who are facing foreclosure, with the possibility of homelessness in the near future. It could be due to job loss, the death of a family member, domestic violence, or mental illness. Since she has been working at Social Services, she has dealt with six families, some with children, who have become homeless. "When we have homeless in Haddam, they stay in abandoned properties, or they sleep in their vehicle in our forest if they have one," explained Jessica. "Or they sleep in a tent or some sort of shelter in the woods. If they have friends in town they go from one couch to the other until someone takes them in."

For those facing homelessness, Jessica recommends them to Youth and Family Services of Haddam Killingworth for the opportunity to receive counseling, and finds resources to assist them in their needs.

Jessica gives the homeless food, blankets, and clothing from the social service department. "Due to the limited amount of resources we have, I look to outside resources not in our community," said Jessica. "In some instances I am able to get the state social services involved to assist. In many cases the state is not able to assist. I then find them resources in Middletown, such as behavioral health services, shelters, and soup kitchens, homeless ministry's, women shelters, and any service I think can be of service to them."

Over the holidays, Jessica volunteered with the Brown Bag Angels, and learned even more about the homeless in our area. The Brown Bag Angels was started by Brynn Nelson, who lives in East Haddam, and is a member of Valley Bible here in Haddam. When asked about her group, Brynn said, "God put it on my heart 10 months ago to go hand out brown bag lunches to the homeless in Middletown. In time we have grown to become an unofficial group who have affectionately been called The Brown Bag Angels; a name we have proudly adopted."

She quickly learned that homelessness isn't what she expected. She went on to explain, "There are several forms of homelessness such as people living from friend to friend's houses, in abandoned properties, cars, shelters, tents, under bridges, and directly on the street. There are many reasons they have encountered this situation. For some, it is due to substance abuse; however, there are many other reasons we have encountered. Some were evicted, foreclosed on, major medical issues resulting in large bills, family discourse, loss of a family member, es caping abuse, mental illness, job loss, etc."

If you are homeless in our area (Haddam, East Haddam, and other rural areas), there are limited to no resources. "Once you have officially become



Lunches ready for delivery. Photo by Brynn Nelson.

homeless, without an address, many of the state and town funded assistance no longer applies to you as you must provide a local address," explained Brynn. "This forces many to have to go to Middletown. This means that people who have lived their entire lives in these towns relocate to a place where there are shelters, soup kitchens, public transportation, medical care, and any other assistance they can get."

And in winter, it can be especially dangerous to be homeless. "The subfreezing temperatures cause those who don't have a permanent home to be put in the elements. Those who are lucky enough to get into a shelter typically are not allowed in during the day; it is for sleeping and bathing only," explained Brynn. "On a cold day, they would have to find other options to stay warm. They are typically only allowed to stay for 30 nights in the shelters, and then they must leave. If you don't stay in a shelter, you may go to a warming center. These warming centers are not open every evening in the winter, but rather during the coldest of temperatures. If they are lucky enough to get a bus pass, an option not all have, it is common to ride the bus the entire day just to stay warm."

We asked Brynn for examples of some of the homeless that she encounters in Middletown, so we could get a better sense of the individuals:

Sarah, 52, gave up her job to care for a family member with a debilitating illness. Although she didn't get paid for this she did get her needs met by the spouse of the family member working to support the household. After a few years the spouse began to abuse Sarah, by the tenth year she finally decided to escape. She took whatever she could fit in her bag and went to the streets. She is in a shelter at night and her case worker is working on helping her get an apartment. She struggles to find work due to the ten year gap in employment on her resume. She volunteers at a local facility while trying to find work. She is kind, gentle, and appreciates good conversation

and a good lunch on Tuesdays with The Brown Bag Angels. She prays with them and she prays for them.

Mark, 67, approaches the group for a lunch. When he is offered prayer he is surprised, drops to his knees and weeps. After the prayer, I helped him up and he told me he planned to take his own life that night, but now he wasn't sure. Ten months later, he shows up faithfully every week and even helps out from time to time. In time we learned that Mark was a Vietnam veteran who suffered a brain injury in the war. Due to the injury he has been considered disabled. He has a small apartment but not much else. Ends don't quite meet right now and he gets lonely. He comes for food, prayer, and lunch.

Joseph, 72, left his meager life in Delaware to come live with his adult son in Connecticut. Joseph had COPD and breathing is a struggle. His son committed to caring for him. Joseph and his son had an argument resulting in his son kicking him out of the house. He is now on the street in the winter, in a state he is unfamiliar with. Joseph ran into The Brown Bag Angels on the street. He is thankful for the prayer, food, and toiletries provided to him. He is looking for a safe place to rest his head.

One of the struggles the homeless face is keeping your feet and clothes warm, clean and dry. Brynn explains, "Those who live in a shelter or on the street have nowhere to keep items like groceries or extra clothing except what they can carry with them. If they are lucky enough to get SNAP or canned goods, there really isn't a place to keep the items. They aren't able to prepare meals and most eat the processed prepared items or what they can fit in their backpack. This sometimes means choosing between your gloves and socks for another day and something to eat for later. While at the shelter, someone may take everything you own; then you have to start over, collecting clothing, etc. Another struggle is finding a place to go to the bathroom or take a shower. In Middletown there is a health clinic open during the day and restrooms are open to the public, but there isn't a good option here in Haddam.

St. Vincent and other soup kitchens help feed people as much as they can. "Our group gives a brown bag lunch once a week for them to carry in their bag or to wherever they end up," said Brynn. "We also provide a hot beverage to help them warm up in the winter, and a frozen treat to cool off in the summer. Thanks to the help of donations, we have been able to assist in providing warm layers, coats, socks, hats, gloves, hand warmers, toiletries, bags, Bibles, and food to help whenever we can."

If you would like to donate items for the Brown Bag Angels, donations can be brought to the Haddam Social Services (11 Jail Hill Road, Haddam). Items needed are: napkins, brown paper bags, plastic sandwich bags, plastic spoons, individually wrapped snacks such as potato chips and granola bars, mayonnaise, mustard, grocery store giftcards, hand

If you would like more information or would like to donate your time, please contact Brynn at thebrownbagangels@gmail.com.

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# The Inspiring & Tragic Saga of the Four Chaplains

# Their Remarkable Heroism & Interfaith Cooperation during WWII Continues to move a nation every February

By Philip R. Devlin

The torpedo struck the Dorchester at 12:55 a.m. on Feb. 3, 1943, near the coast of Greenland in the North Atlantic. Within 27 minutes, the ship had disappeared beneath the waves into the cold water. Of the 902 people on board, only 230 survived — the third worst sea disaster of the war. Among the dead were four Army chaplains: Two Protestant ministers, a Jewish rabbi, and a Catholic priest.

After the explosion, the four chaplains spread out among the men onboard, calming the frightened, leading men to safety, and handing out life vests. Each eventually gave his life vest to a soldier onboard the Dorchester, thereby ensuring his own death. Survivors saw the four chaplains on the foredeck of the ship — arms locked together and praying — as the ship went under. It was an unforgettable sight and has become a symbol of interfaith cooperation and heroism. One of the chaplains — Clark V. Poling — had strong connections to Connecti-

cut. At age 32, Poling was the youngest of the four chaplains. Born in Ohio in 1910, Poling spent much of his youth in Auburndale, MA, and later moved to Poughkeepsie, NY, where he graduated from Oakwood, a Quaker high school. Poling was a very good student and athlete at Oakwood.

After graduating from Rutgers in 1933, Clark Poling spent three years in New Haven, graduating from Yale Divinity School in 1936. His first assignment as a minister was with the First Church of Christ in New London.

After the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in 1941, Poling felt the need to serve his country as a chaplain, just as his father, the Rev. Daniel Poling, had once served in World War I. His father warned him of the high casualty rate for chaplains during wartime, but Clark remained undeterred and joined the U.S. Army as a chaplain in June of 1942

He soon attended chaplain school at Harvard University. It was at Harvard that Poling was to meet the three other chaplains perished with him on the Dorchester: a Catholic priest from New Jersey named John P. Washington; a rabbi from Washington, D.C., named Alex Goode; and a Methodist minister from Pennsylvania named George L. Fox — the oldest of the group at 42 and a decorated veteran of World War I, where he had served as a medic.

One survivor who witnessed the chaplains giving up their own vests described it this way: "It was the finest thing I have seen or hope to see this side of heaven." Another survivor, Sgt. Ernest Heaton spent nearly five hours in the water before he was rescued. Heaton had visited Connecticut in November of 2008 to tell the story of the four chaplains to a synagogue in Orange.

On Heaton's 89th birthday on Valentine's Day of 2012, an interfaith memorial service for the four chaplains was celebrated at St. Sebastian Catholic Church in Heaton's hometown of Vero Beach, FL. More than 150 people attended the service where Heaton spoke, saying that he clearly remembers seeing the four chaplains - arms locked together on the foredeck — disappear into the sea. He added, "They gave up their life jackets to men without them, knowing they would go down with the ship." As part of the ceremony, a new memorial for the chaplains was unveiled.

Clark Poling's father, the Rev. Daniel Poling, began "The Four Chaplains Memorial Foundation" on Feb. 3, 1951, the eighth anniversary of the sinking of the Dorchester and three years after the United States Postal Service had issued a commemorative stamp in their honor.

President Harry S. Truman assisted in the dedication of the foundation, whose mission it is to further the cause of "unity without uniformity" by urging goodwill and cooperation among people with diverse beliefs. The foundation's headquarters is located at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. The foundation annually hosts an awards ceremony in Philadelphia in memory of the four chaplains to honor those who exemplify their selfless service.

Yet another event commemorating the selflessness of the four chaplains occurred in Congress on Feb. 7, 2012. Rabbi Jeffrey Astrachan from Chaplain Goode's synagogue in York, PA, offered the opening prayer to the House of Representatives. Rep. Todd Platts, a congressman from York, then spoke about the contributions of the four chaplains.

On February 14, 2002, a reconciliation ceremony was held in Washing-

ton, D.C., between the survivors of the Dorchester and the surviving members of German U-Boat 233, the submarine that had sunk the Dorchester. First Officer of U-233, Gerhard Buske, had this to say to the Dorchester survivors and their families: "We, the sailors of U-Boat 233, regret the deep sorrow and pain caused by our torpedo. Never again should be such a murderous war ... We should all live as these Immortal Four Chaplains — to love where others hate."

During World War II, the United States lost 182 members of its chaplain corps — a casualty rate only exceeded in percentage by both the infantry and the Army Air Corps. The selfless and courageous manner in which the four chaplains of the Dorchester met their death has inspired millions throughout the world. Many monuments to their memory have been dedicated over the years in states such as Florida, Pennsylvania, Vermont, New York, Virginia, and Arizona.

At the Belmont Park racetrack in Elmont, NY, a memorial plaque dedicated to the four chaplains sits on a large rock between the racing secretary's office and the clubhouse, placed there by World War II veterans who worked at the track. A small group of veterans still gathers at the Belmont rock each Memorial Day for a brief service. In New Jersey, the first southbound exit on the New Jersey Turnpike has a 5 foot bronze marker dedicated to the memory of Chaplain Goode. Ironically, Goode's only daughter, Rosalie, was killed in an auto accident on the New Jersey Turnpike long after the memorial had been placed there.

During World War II, approximately 100 Allied ships per month were sunk — that's more than three per day. Traveling by ship, particularly in the North Atlantic, was very dangerous. Evening blackouts of ship lights was a common practice; unfortunately, on the evening of May 3, 1943, the blackout cover on a door leading to the main lobby on the Dorchester became dislodged, causing light to be emitted each time the door was opened and closed. That was sufficient for German U-boat 233 to draw a bead on the

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#### By Attorney Sylvia K. Rutkowska

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#### TO THE EDITOR

# One-sided opinions about Higganum Center

Reading the *Haddam Bulletin*. Pretty one sided opinions about Higganum Center. The posted opinions I think need to be looked at and I hope they give an opportunity to the other side to post their opinion.

The charrettes had about 180 people that is not by any means a majority with a town of over 8000 plus. These things aren't supposed to be majority rule and it's up to residents at a town meeting or in a vote. So counting tables is a waste of time...but regardless each of the tables may of had a few people that kind of took charge. Each person didn't get to actually vote. I know many that are in favor of the garage at Rossi and heard several tables say so, including mine. The 10 people at my table don't matter?

The people hired for it were there to find the

best and most cost efficient way to fix up the center while solving a few issues. They gave their opinion. Bill Warner is an expert in this stuff so I am not surprised they agreed with his idea. It makes sense.

Let's take a look at their opinions. They are concerned about contamination and then talk about putting the Town Garage at East Coast Salvage yard. The contamination at Rossi's has been remediated (of course it will have to be checked again and confirmed). East Coast was taken off the table, due to contamination and the owner made it clear to me it wasn't for sale. But it keeps coming back up. Do you want our town responsible for another problem piece of land? Plus look at the location: is that centralized to our town? Then you have Rutty Ferry: again, not centralized to the town, impacting neighbors, somewhere in the \$8 million range to build. plus or plus. Then we have Rossi's. It is profitable to

the Rossis just the way it is and has been for a very long time. They have no need to change anything. They did want to put in 2 bedroom apartments at the expense of the town providing sewers for around \$12 million plus. Or we can buy Rossi's and for around 4 million, have a new town garage, make it attractive with landscaping as well as develop the front to create store fronts and apartments above.

If we don't do something with the Rossi property it will stay just like it is for another 20 years and the town garage will stay right where it is. Residents aren't going to vote to spend \$8 million for a garage somewhere else. We don't need a sewer system to sustain the Rossi property. If we do a little less, the community septic will work providing enough for many years.

Daniel Luisi Haddam Planning & Zoning Board Member

#### **MEMORIAL DAY 2020**

### Veterans' personalized bricks: order deadline is April 1

By Rick Annino

Each Memorial Day, the Museum places an order for  $4 \times 8$  inch red engraved bricks to be placed in the Memorial Walk in front of the Museum. These bricks are to honor any Veteran that has been honorably discharged from any branch of the Armed Services. They

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### The inspiring and tragic saga of the four chaplains

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Dorchester and fire a fan of three torpedoes, one of which fatally struck the troop transport.

Prior to boarding the Dorchester, Clark V. Poling asked his father to pray for him to be strong enough to do his duty and to be "adequate" to the job at hand. He and his three fellow chaplains were more than adequate in meeting their responsibilities onboard the ill-fated ship by giving heroic service to others without regard for race, ethnicity, or religious beliefs. In fact, in one of his last acts as President, Dwight Eisenhower presided over a ceremony in which the Four Chaplains Medal was awarded to the families of the Four Chaplains at Fort Meyer, Virginia. The medal shows the Star of David, the tablets of Moses, and the Christian cross in relief along with the names of each of the Four Chaplains.

Dan Kurzman, prolific writer of military non-fiction—especially dealing with World War II— wrote a terrific book in 2005 dealing with the story of the four chaplains. It is entitled No Greater Glory: The Four Immortal Chaplains and the Sinking of the Dorchester in World War II. It is one of the sources for this





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May 2018- The FDA approved Aimovig (erenumab-aooe) the first calcitoningene-related, (CGRP) antagonist treatment for adult migraine treatment, which is injected monthly

Sept 2018- The FDA approved a humanized monoclonal antibody Ajovy (fremanezumab-vfrm) for migraine prevention in adults, which is also a CGRP antagonist. These are injectable products, which can be administered at home or in the doctor's office. Ajovy injections can be given quarterly or monthly.

These treatments are not for every migraine sufferer, but for those with consistent chronic migraines, as the goal is to increase the number of headache free days per month.

The American Headache Society recently released papers presented in 2017, that show the results of two Phase III studies, those involving humans, with greater than 1000 patients, and the net result was the average person with these treatments were able to obtain 2 additional headache free days per month

Adverse Reactions- The most common was injection site reactions with patients showing hypersensitivity, rash, or itching. The Society reported that these reactions were mostly mild to moderate, and a few required discontinuation of the treatment, along with some corticosteroid treatment, and these reactions were apparent within hours of the first dose. There was also mention of infection at the injection site which highlights the need for sterile technique.

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Nothing says comfort-food-on-a-moon and starlit-winter-evening quite like barbeque food. And I am not talking food doused in a bottle of BBQ sauce from the store. Full disclaimer: I am a fan of bottled BBQ sauce...convenience, hello! But I am MORE of a fan of local, house-made conjures of all things BBQ.

Well, this is a tale of amazing BBQ food at an delightful local establishment in our lovely sister town across the River: Moodus BBQ. You take a relaxing, approximately 15-minute drive along the scenic route, which takes you beyond the Goodspeed Bridge, past the beautiful and historic Goodspeed Opera House. You will find your destination atop a hill on Rae Palmer Road. The parking lot is spacious and well-lit. The signage for the restaurant is clear. Light and sounds of laughter, music and conversation filter outside. We have arrived.

Moodus BBQ is one of those places where you instantly feel like you are a regular. There is no such thing as strangers at this restaurant. The wait staff immediately made us feel welcome, as did fellow customers – with smiles and friendly "hellos" and "welcome!" There were various families and couples sprinkled throughout. There is also a full-service bar.

Our order consisted of a several IPAs, a glass of house merlot, a pulled chicken dinner with all the fixins' (choice of two house-made sides; cornbread); a combo platter (essentially, a sampler of Moodus BBO's divinely yummy meats) with a choice of two or three meats. For our party, it was a choice of three: the sliced brisket, which was absolutely out-of-this-world and melted into your mouth like butter, baby back ribs, and St. Louis ribs. As our kind waitress explained, the meats come as they are - without an imposition of BBQ sauces; no, that is left to the discretion of the customer! And then, a moment later, our waitress came over with a generous tray of individual BBQ sauces. There was a sweet one, there was a spicy one, there was a "regular" BBQ sauce (although, there was nothing "regular"

about this sauce; if I could have just eaten the sauce, I would have!), there was vinegar, and finally, there was a wide array of hot sauces to add as desired. The sauces are proudly made in-house, as are most of the sides available – the baked beans, potatoes, collard greens. Everything was wholesome-tasting, fresh and at the table in a timely manner. The service is genuinely inviting. The food we ordered was absolutely, without exception, delicious.

We are definitely returning. On that note, I ought amend my beginning: it does not need to be a winter evening to be a perfect time for BBQ. You just need it to be a day... or night...and have an appetite. Moodus BBQ will be there for you.

#### **Moodus BBQ Details**

Location: 12 Rae Palmer Road, Moodus, Conn.

\*Hours: Sunday-Thursday, 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday, 11:00 a.m.-midnight

\*Kitchen Hours: Kitchen closes at 9:00 p.m. Sunday-Thursday; 10:00 p.m. Friday & Saturday

Website: moodusbbq.com

#### **ARTS**

# Stage company presents Evening of Inappropriate Song

By Rebecca Degnan, President, Blue Fire Stage Company

Blue Fire Stage Company, Haddam's newest nonprofit theatre company, proudly presents its first performance – Another Evening of Inappropriate Song!

Another Evening of Inappropriate Song is an adult cabaret filled with Broadway songs...and absolutely no censoring! This cabaret is a fundraiser for Blue Fire Stage Company, and all proceeds will go to fund their startup costs and the production of their first mainstage musical in July.

General admission, table seating. Bring your own food and adult beverages and enjoy it while being entertained by hysterical songs from Mean Girls, The Great American Trailer Park Musical, Avenue Q, Crazy Ex-Girlfriend, Tenacious D and more.

This year's event will include a themed basket raffle, with items ranging from naughty to salacious.

Performances are Feb. 28 and 29, at the former Haddam Elementary School. There is a snow date of March 1, 2020. Doors open at 6:15. Performance starts at 7:00 p.m.

Strongly recommended for ages 18 and up. Leave the kids at home! Purchase tickets at bluefirestage. ticketleap.com/eois2020/

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State Project No. 60-162 BRIDGE ROAD SIDEWALK PROJECT

To be held Thursday, February 27th, 2020 at 6:30 PM Old Haddam Town Hall

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Residents, business owners and other interested individuals are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to discuss this project in the Town of Haddam.

This Town sponsored project is proposing the construction of a sidewalk along Route 82 (Bridge Road) beginning at Route 154 and ending at Eagle Landing State Park. The project also includes traffic signal improvements, minor drainage modifications, curbing, lighting, landscaping and an ADA compliant crosswalks with rectangular rapid flashing beacons.

Pursuant to Section 13b-31d of the General Statutes of the State of Connecticut regarding scenic roads, written comments regarding the proposed improvements along Route 82 which is a State designated scenic route will be received until March 14, 2020.

For more information, contact Bill Warner at (860) 345-8531 ext. 219 email: wwarner@haddam.org

> Location is ADA accessible PLEASE JOIN US ON February 27th, 2020 at 6:30 PM

Haddam Land Use Office

#### PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Hearing at the Haddam Town Hall, 21 Field Park Dr., Haddam, CT on March 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following item(s):

- Request for a special permit to change a non-conforming use to allow for a Fitness Gym in existing facility at 66 Killingworth Rd. Map 14 Lot 29-1 Applicant: Polke Grace Associates
- 2. Request for special permit to convert a commercial office building to a residential therapeutic and wellness center at 7 Island Dock Rd. Map 26 Lot 007A Applicant: West Wind LLC

Said applications are on file in the Land Use Office of the Town of Haddam.

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

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"...They are all under sin. <sup>10</sup> As it is written: "There is none righteous, no, not one... <sup>12</sup> They have together become unprofitable; there is none who does good, no, not one... <sup>17</sup> and the way of peace they have not known. <sup>18</sup> There is no fear of God before their eyes" (Romans 3:9-18). "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

Only Christ Can Save You From Sin: "I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day" (1Corinthians 15:3-4). "...Even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, [crucified] <sup>15</sup> that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. <sup>17</sup> ...That the

world through Him might be saved" (John 3:14-17). "...In His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed" (Romans 3:25).

Rejecting Christ is Itself a Great Sin: "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 19 And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil" (John 3:19-21). "Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent" (Acts 17:30). "Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out..." (Acts 3:19). "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved..." (Acts 16:30-31)

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## **HVFC** holds Firefighters' Appreciation Banquet

By Olivia Drake, HVFC Public Information Officer

Higganum resident Richard Zanelli was named the 2019 Firefighter of the Year during Haddam Volunteer Fire Company's Firefighters' Appreciation Banquet Feb. 1. Captain Zanelli also was named the 2019 Top Responder.

The annual banquet, held at the Riverhouse at Goodspeed Station, brought together members, town officials, firefighters from neighboring towns, and guests for an evening of camaraderie, dinner, awards, and raffle prizes, many of which were donated by local businesses.

HVFC Chief Sam Baber credited members for responding to 555 calls for emergency services in 2019. Haddam's total response time totaled 2,700 man hours. Members also spent 3,070 man hours training.

"Know that each and every one of you in this room plays an integral role in providing support to the Haddam community," Baber said. "Whether you're a top responding firefighter, EMT, or even our company treasurer, you are crucial to this organization."

Chief Baber awarded the company's top five responders with a framed certificate. They include: Zanelli with 268; Deputy Chief Peter Brown with 188; Firefighter Ronald Annino with 155; Firefighter Charlie Rourke with 150; and EMT Chuck Kowal with 147.

He also honored Firefighters Mike Miller and Bob Kadrle with Special Recognition Awards for their efforts completing the Haddam Fire Training Facility, which is now fully operational, and Firefighter and Radio Engineer Scott Larson for his efforts updating the company's radio system.

Chief Baber recognized individuals



Richard Zanelli, Firefighter of the year, with Sam Baber. Photos by Olivia Drake.



Junior Company.

who received Years of Service pins in 2019. They include: Firefighter Chet Crocco, 5 years; EMT Rose Eberl, 10 years; Lieutenant Scott Kuchyt, 40 years; and Firefighter Bob Kadrle, 50 years.

Zanelli received the Firefighter of the Year Award for making almost 50 percent of all calls, for which he volunteered 168 hours on these calls. He serves on the Forestry, Crisis, and Training Facility Committee, and stepped up to be a captain, filling in a much-needed void. He's also the oldest interior firefighter in the membership.

Prior to a blessing by HVFC Chaplain Seth Nuzum, Chief Baber offered appreciation to the member's families.

"Between meetings, training, drills, committees and calls, we realize the fire company is a huge commitment and that it can have an impact on personal and family time," he said. "So thank you to the spouses and significant others for being so understanding. Without your support, we couldn't do our job as well as we do."









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#### **GETTING TO KNOW YOUR LIBRARY:**

# A conversation with the teen/young adult librarian

By Meghan Peterson, Ph.D.

Located at 920 Saybrook Road (Rt. 154) in Haddam, the Brainerd Memorial Library provides a variety of adult, adolescent, family, and children's literary resources, educational programming, and cultural arts events. As such, it serves as a dynamic hub for people to learn, gather and experience community together.

We recently contacted Kristen Carpentier, Teen Services Coordinator and overseer of Technical Instruction at Brainerd Memorial Library here in Haddam, to speak more about the role BML plays in the lives of Haddam (as well as surrounding area) residents and library patrons.

#### How did you come to call Haddam Brainerd Memorial Library your home?

Carpentier: After making the switch to the Library Science field and graduating with my Bachelor's Degree in 2014, I was looking for a position in a library that matched my existing skill set, but where I could also grow within the profession. BML had an opening, and it turned out to be the perfect fit.

#### What is your background? Please provide a bit of biographical as well as professional information.

Carpentier: I grew up in Clinton, graduating from The Morgan School in 2005. Throughout high school I worked as an assistant teacher at Back Stage Dance Center in Killingworth, where I began working with children of various ages and realized I had a talent for working with kids. In 2011 I completed

my Associate's Degree and had a difficult decision to make- what career path best suits my experience and interests? I've always loved books, really reading in general, and I realized I could mix my experience and interests together, while at the same time creating a sanctuary for creativity, safety and learning.

#### How do you see your role not only at the library but in the community?

Carpentier: My role, as I see it, is to be an advocate for the teens of our community, and as such I work to be able to provide that sanctuary for creativity, safety and learning I spoke about earlier. With the help of local teens, (shout out to my awesome Teen Advisory Board!) I'm able to make the Teen Lounge exactly what they want and need.

#### What are some of your favorite aspects of your job?

Carpentier: A really fun part of my job is developing the YA collection, and getting to read all the new books that come in before they hit the shelves, but I'd be lying if I said that was my favorite, or the most rewarding part of my job. My favorite part of being the Teen Services Coordinator is that I get to meet some really awesome tweens and teens in the community. Do you know how much talent and kindness exists within the youth of our community? They volunteer their time to make the community a better place; many have gone way beyond the required amount needed for graduation before they're even Sophomores. They're incredibly talented artists who share their talents to make the Teen Lounge a

beautiful place, and with younger children during events in the Children's Library. They all really make my job easy and allow me to focus on the good stuffgetting to know them and their needs.

#### What are some goals/objectives/vision(s) you have for the library Teen/Young Adult department?

Carpentier: I would love for the Young Adult department to become a community hub for tweens and teens. I've been working on some new programming for this year- keep an eye out for a new club for our artistically inclined teens, as well as a new monthly program centered on the culinary arts. We will definitely be having more college planning workshops for both parents and teens, as well as a new kind of book club. As we grow, I'd love to see more teens spend some time in our space!

We're in a unique position with the coming renovation of the Teen Lounge that we will be able to update the space to accommodate the needs and wants of our local teens. I'm hoping in the next year or two to have laptops and/or iPads available just for teens to do homework or to use for downtime after school.

#### Any other thoughts to share with residents, patrons?

Carpentier: The Teen Advisory Board meets every month during the school year, and always accepts new members. Each meeting counts as volunteer hours for school. Voice your ideas, share your opinions and have a part in the ever evolving Teen Lounge! Dates and times are listed on our website, or stop in and see me any time!

# A conversation with the youth/teen librarian

By Meghan Peterson, Ph.D.

Located at 301 Route 81 in Killingworth, the Killingworth Library provides a variety of adult, adolescent, family, and children's literary resources, educational programming, and cultural arts events. As such, it serves as a dynamic hub for people to learn, gather and experience community together.

We recently contact Joshua Leblanc, the recently-hired young adult/teen librarian here in Killingworth, to speak more about the role the Killingworth Library plays in the lives of Killingworth (as well as surrounding area) residents and library patrons.

Laurie Prichard, Director of Killingworth Library says, "Josh graduated from ECSU in May 2018 with a Bachelor's in English, a minor in communications. He was a teaching assistant in the English Department and was on the Dean's list his senior year. He plays guitar and frequently plays and sings during our Saturday morning storytimes. Other interesting tidbits from his resume include: 2017 World Cham-

pion in ISKA Creative Breaking (Martial Arts) as well as a Black belt in American Filipino Kun Tao."

#### How did you come to call Killingworth Library your home?

Leblanc: Laurie, the director, recruited me when the library was looking for a temporary hire to help out with the Tween and Teen programs for this semester. We have both taken some of the same courses at Southern together and she thought I would be a good fit.

#### What is your background? Please provide a bit of biographical as well as professional information.

Leblanc: I graduated Eastern Connecticut State University with a Bachelor's in English and am currently enrolled at Southern for my masters in Library and Information Science. Despite this being my first time officially working for a library, I have run children's and teen programming at summer camps, private schools, and other similar programs. I'm excited for

this opportunity to utilize what I've been learning with my classes at SCSU and combine it with my existing experience.

#### How do you see your role not only at the library but in the community?

Leblanc: I hope to build a place in the library where children, teens, and families can meet and enjoy some programming or even just hang out. I'm excited to work with the community to build the tween and teen programs and can't wait to have some fun with those who sign up.

#### What are some of your favorite aspects of your job?

Leblanc: I really enjoy meeting and interacting with all the awesome people who come into the library every day. I also have a lot of fun doing story time every Saturday morning at 10:30 and can't wait to start up some of our other programs like Anime Night and Dungeons and Dragons.

#### What are some goals/objectives/vision(s) you have for the library children's department?

Leblanc: One objective I really want to focus on is promoting a fun and open environment at our programming, and, obviously, growing the teen and tween programs into something truly spectacular.

#### Any other thoughts to share with residents, patrons?

Leblanc: I can't wait to get to know all of you in the coming months. Come sign up for Anime Night, Dungeons and Dragons, or drop by Storytime at 10:30 on Saturday and hang out!





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#### HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH TOWN & COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Please visit www.haddam.org, www.townofkilling-worth,com or haddam-killingworthnow.com for the most current information, including cancellations, location changes, time changes.

#### Thursday, February 13

Music with Margie – Brainerd Memorial Library, 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

The February theme is "Friendship". Margie's multi-sensory program builds skills on a bi-weekly basis, in order for children to reach the developmental goals they need to enter kindergarten. Margie brings items for children to play with such as beanbags, scarves, puppets, and instruments. Music with Margie is appropriate for children ages 2 to 6.

Killingworth Board of Selectmen meeting, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Teen Advisory Board – Brainerd Memorial Library, 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

What can your library do for YOU? Voice your ideas for improved YA services, help plan events and activities in the Teen Lounge, help develop the YA collection, assist with Children's programming and so much more! New members are always welcome! For more information please contact Kristen at kcarpentier@brainerdlibrary.org

Second Thursday Book Chat – Killingworth Library, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Love talking about books but don't want to be told what to read? Come join us for our newest monthly book program, "Book Chat" where we will share insights and recommendations over tea and light refreshments. Participants are invited to bring a book they've enjoyed to share with the group, or you can just sit in and soak up the suggestions. No obligation to speak, just a love of books required!

Killingworth Conservation Commission Meeting, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

#### Friday, February 14

Sit and be fit DVD exercise series. Friday mornings at 10:30 a.m. Haddam Senior Center.

Dungeons and Dragons – Killingworth Library, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Teens: come play Dungeons and Dragons! Held on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month. Dungeon Master Josh will lead the way. Attendance is currently limited to six players, but if we get more interest, we will expand to more teams. So please register, even if you end up on the waiting list. Register online at: https://killingworthlibrary.org/

#### Saturday, February 15

Super Saturday Storytime – Killingworth Library,

10:15 – 10:45 a.m.

Weekly family fun for kids of all ages! Dropin format, no registration necessary. Adult must accompany child. NOTE new time for Storytime during the month of February, to accommodate Yoga for Kids. We will return to 10:30 a.m. storytimes in March.

Yoga for Kids – Killingworth Library, 10:45 – 11:30 a.m.

Learn to stretch, relax, and unwind in these sessions led by Amy de Lucia-Ferri of Well Yoga & Mindfulness Studio of Clinton. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited, so please register through the library.

https://killingworthlibrary.org/

Create an Indoor Succulent Garden, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Join Indigo Blooms at Barrelhouse 176 RT 81 Building 1, Unit 1.

We will be creating indoor succulent gardens using a gorgeous stone pot, perfect for any sunny nook in your home. Grab your friends and make it a galentines event, a glass of wine is included! All supplies and instruction are included in this class. We will be talking about plant care and troubleshooting as well. Tickets \$55, on sale via eventbrite link at the Facebook link below.

facebook.com/indigobloomsflower facebook.com/barrelhousect

Wine & Chocolate – Killingworth Congregational Church, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

We're kicking off our 2020 events in a sweet way with a Wine & Chocolate reception in Parish Hall on Saturday, February 15 from 4:00 – 6:00 pm. Area distributors and merchants will offer wine tastings, which we'll pair with chocolate samples and other treats. There will be children's activities as well.

#### Monday, February 17

Ukulele Group – Haddam Senior Center. Meets weekly on Mondays at 9:30 a.m.

#### Tuesday, February 18

Preschool Storytime takes place every Tuesday at Brainerd Mem. Library, 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Join us for themed stories, songs, finger plays, and crafts. Appropriate for children ages 2 to 5, but siblings are always welcome.

Lego Club – Brainerd Memorial Library, 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

The 1st Tuesday of the month will have a theme and the 3rd Tuesday will be a free build. Creations will be displayed until next session. For ages 5 & up. Registration is not necessary.

Killingworth Board of Selectmen meeting, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Killingworth Planning & Zoning meeting, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, February 19

Silver Threads (recorders) Haddam Senior Center. Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m.

Haddam BOF Regular meeting and budget review, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Killingworth Public Health Agency Meeting, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, February 20

Field Trip Day: Flower Show Hartford. – Haddam Senior Center, 9:15 am. Admission is \$16 for Seniors.

Toddler Tunes is back! – Brainerd Memorial Library, 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

Toddler Tunes is back! Mr. Dan will be leading this program along with his signature instrument, the keyboard! Toddler Tunes is a music and movement program for toddlers and their caregivers. Join us to sing nursery rhymes, dance, make music, and read a simple story. Appropriate for children ages 1 to 3, but siblings are always welcome. A music and movement program for toddlers and their caregivers. Sing, dance, make music, and read a simple story.

Card Angels – Brainerd Memorial Library, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Card Angels are a group of volunteers who meet at the Library once a month to make cards with happy messages for those in cancer treatment centers and rehab/nursing homes. Please come out and help! All materials will be provided. No card making experience required. Refreshments are provided. Donations of glue sticks/adhesive, bright/colorful scrapbook paper and embellishments are accepted and appreciated. For more information, please contact Jessie at cardangelsct@gmail.com

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Killingworth Board of Selectmen meeting, 6–8 p.m.

Killingworth Library Mystery Club, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Join us as we discuss Agatha Christie's The Murder of Roger Ackroyd. Extra copies will be available at the circulation desk. Newcomers always welcome! For more info: https://killingworthlibrary.org/

HKMS Winter Sports Awards, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Haddam Planning and Zoning meeting, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

HKHS Presents One Act Plays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. HKHS Auditorium. (Snow date: Feb. 21 7:00pm – 9:00pm)

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## HKHS defeats Lyman Hall

By Kristin Mazziotti

The Haddam Killingworth High School Varsity Boys Swim Team remains undefeated with a third win this week against Lyman Hall on Jan. 30. The final score was HK 98, Lyman Hall 83.

#### HK HIGHLIGHTS:

#### 200 Medley Relay

1st Kyle Mazziotti (HK), Zach Holton (HK), Jimmy Clemente (HK), Eli Houlton (HK) 1:47.00 2nd Matt Scowronek (Valley), Egan Rothrock (Valley), Connor Levy (Morgan), Colby Kish (HK) 1:57.90

#### 200 Freestyle

1st Jack Ferguson (HK) 2:00.78 2nd Connor Levy (Morgan) 2:07.20

200 Individual Medley

1st Eli Houlton (HK) 2:06.62 3rd Egan Rothrock (Valley) 2:18.83

#### 50 Freestyle

1st Jimmy Clemente (HK) 25.22 3rd AJ Campo de la Vera (HK) 25.64

#### 100 Butterfly

1st Eli Houlton (HK) 59.45

2nd Jimmy Clemente (HK) 1:00.82

#### 100 Freestyle

1st Kyle Mazziotti (HK) 52.59 2nd Egan Rothrock (Valley) 55.14 3rd Connor Levy (Morgan) 57.15

#### 500 Freestyle

1st Zach Houlton (HK) 5:02.60 3rd AJ Campo de la Vera (HK) 6:02.10

#### 200 Freestyle Relay

1st Jack Ferguson (HK), Colby Kish (HK),Egan Rothrock (Valley), Jimmy Clemente (HK) 1:41.19
3rd Connor Schipritt (HK), Matt Scowronek (Valley), Nolan Braren (HK), AJ Campo de la Vera (HK) 1:58.50

#### 100 Backstroke

1st Kyle Mazziotti (HK) 56.59

#### 100 Breaststroke

1st Jack Ferguson (HK) 1:07.47 2nd Zach Houlton (HK) 1:07.66

#### 400 Freestyle Relay

1st Eli Houlton (HK), Kyle Mazziotti (HK), Jack Ferguson (HK), Zach Houlton (HK) 3:37.35

2nd Matt Scowronek (Valley), Colby Kish (HK), Connor Levy (Morgan), AJ Campo de la Vera (HK) 3:59.50

\*The HK record is now 7-0.

\*at time of publication.

# HKHS wins at tri-meet

By Kristin Mazziotti

The Haddam Killingworth High School Boys Swim Team, which combined with Morgan High School and Valley Regional High School for the 2019-20 season, defeated Waterford High School and St. Bernard High School in a tri-meet on Tuesday, Jan. 28, at Waterford High School. The meet was held in their short course meter pool.

Final scores: HK 111 Waterford

HK 114 St. Bernard 24

HK HIGHLIGHTS:

#### 200m Medley Relay

1st Kyle Mazziotti (HK), Jack Ferguson (HK), James Clemente (HK), Zach Holton (HK) 2:00.90

2nd AJ Campo de la Vera (HK), Eagan Rothrock (Valley), Connor Levy (Morgan), Colby Kish (HK) 2:08.35

#### 200m Freestyle

1st Eli Houlton (HK) 2:11.75 2nd Connor Levy (Morgan) 2:19.16

#### 200m Individual Medley

1st Jack Ferguson (HK) 2:29.89

3rd Egan Rothrock (Valley) 2:30.65 50m Freestyle

1st Kyle Mazziotti (HK) 26.45

#### 100m Butterfly

2nd Jimmy Clemente (HK) 1:07.21 3rd Connor Levy (Morgan) 1:10.79

#### 100m Freestyle

1st Eli Houlton (HK) 101.48 2nd AJ Campo de La Vera (HK) 1:03.77

#### 400m Freestyle

1st Zach Houlton (HK) 4:31.27 3rd Jack Ferguson (HK) 4:43.97

#### 200m Freestyle Relay

2nd Egan Rothrock (Valley), AJ Campo de La Vera (HK) Connor Schipritt (HK), Eli Houlton (HK) 1:57.39
3rd Connor Levy (Morgan), Colby Kish (HK), Nolan Braren (HK), Jimmy Clemente (HK) 2:01.18

#### 100m Backstroke

1st Kyle Mazziotti (HK) 1:04.15

#### 100m Breaststroke

1st Zach Houlton (HK) 1:16.07 3rd Egan Rothrock (Valley) 1:20.60

#### 400m Freestyle Relay

1st Jack Ferguson (HK), Eli Houlton (HK), Kyle Mazziotti (HK), Zach Houlton (HK) 4:03.85

\*The HK record is now 6-0.

\*at time of publication.

#### **HKYFS**

### Healthy Communities Healthy Kids: Community impact grants available

By Laura Shipman

The Healthy Communities-Healthy Kids Coalition is pleased to announce that the 2020 Community Impact Mini Grants in the amount of \$250.00 each are available. These mini grants are made available through the Middlesex United Way Community Im-

pact Grant which is awarded to Youth & Family Services of Haddam-Killingworth, Inc., and distributed by the Healthy Communities-Healthy Kids Coalition.

The grants are for individuals or organizations that are implementing programs that will promote safe, healthy and drug free communities and utilize the developmental asset framework as the foundation for the program which serve members of the Haddam and Killingworth communities.

Grant applications are due April 17, 2020. Please email office@hkyfs.org for an application or call 860-345-7498.

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#### **CAMPUS CORNER**

# Local students shine at colleges, universities

WILLIMANTIC, CT (01/31/2020) – Eastern Connecticut State University recently released its fall 2019 Dean's List for full-time and part-time students. Among the students on the list

Connor Chute '24, a full-time student from Higganum who majors in Computer Science.

Matthew Duval '24, a full-time student from Haddam who majors in Pre-Secondary Education Certification.

Elizabeth Forsythe '20, a full-time student from Killingworth who majors in Accounting.

Olivia Harry '22, a full-time student from Higganum who majors in Business Administration.

Owen Marica '23, a full-time student from Haddam who majors in Psychology.

Clara Roby'23, a full-time student from Killingworth who majors in Exploratory Prof. Studies.

Emily St. Lawrence '20, a full-time student from Higganum who majors in Communication.

Recognition for the Dean's List is given at the end of each semester to matriculated students in good academic standing with a GPA of 3.50 or higher.

WILLIMANTIC, CT (01/31/2020) – Eastern Connecticut State University graduated 227 undergraduate and graduate students at the

conclusion of the fall 2019 semester. Among the graduates are:

Nicholas Afragola of Killingworth, who graduated with a Master of Science in Organizational Management.

Lena Ciborowski of Haddam, who graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology.

BURLINGTON, VT (01/28/2020) – The following student has been named to the Champlain College Dean's List for achieving a grade point average of 3.5 or higher in the Fall 2019 semester

Benjamin Nicholas of Haddam, CT

HEMPSTEAD, NY (01/28/2020) – Hofstra University congratulates the students named to the Fall 2019 Dean's List for their outstanding academic achievement. Students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 during the semester to make the Dean's List. The following local students earned this academic honor:

Annemarie LePard of Higganum, CT Jackson Mirmina of Higganum, CT Briana Vertucci of Killingworth, CT

WEST HARTFORD, CT (01/28/2020) – The University of Hartford is pleased to announce the following students have been named to the Dean's List for Fall 2019.

Evan Stock of Haddam Gabriella Kulmacz of Higganum Katharine Wilson of Higganum Hattie Hall of Killingworth

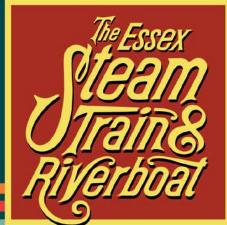




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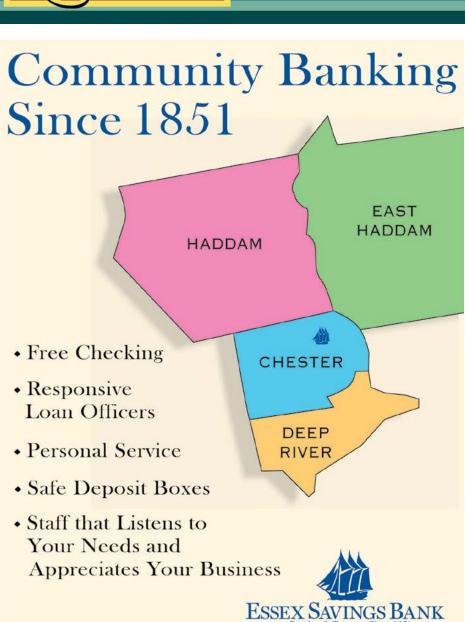
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