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## Region 17 School District Restructuring Plan FAQs

The updated FAQs for the Regional School District #17's Restructuring Plan, which includes the closing of Haddam Elementary School, put out by the Board of Education, were updated on Dec. 21, 2018. They are listed below for your convenience.

## District Restructuring Frequently Asked Questions Update

What will the Intermediate School program look like? Students will spend most of their core instructional time with one teacher and will switch together as a class for some subjects with other teachers. Stu-

dents will work with 2-3 teachers in core academic subjects. Instructional time will be similar to the minutes existing currently in 4th grade, which will increase core instructional time in 5th grade. This is very similar to the current 4th grade structure. Students will experience an enhanced art and music program throughout the year and physical education weekly. Students will also have classes in technology applications, computer coding, research, and design-build. Comprehensive health education, including social-emotional well-being, will also be part of the specials program. Foreign Language (Spanish or

French) is part of the program as of 5th grade. There will be a personalized learning block each day where students will participate in instruction or activities to match their needs and interests. In addition to small-group instruction, students will be able to access self-directed enrichment opportunities related to their interests. Recess will be 25 minutes daily, the amount of time that currently exists in the elementary schools. Based on a survey of students the recess field will be available for sports games such as soccer, kickball, and whiffle-ball. Recreational games such

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### A DOG'S LIFE: TRANSFER STATION - GOODBYE 2018, HELLO 2019!

By Editorial Staff

Apparently the folks around town like a little company when they head off to the Haddam Trans-

fer Station to drop off their weekly garbage and dispose of their recyclables. Many folks choose a dog to accompany them. Transfer station worker,

Sabine, kindly takes photos of some of those companions. Does your dog enjoy the weekly transfer station run?





















## January programs and events at the Brainerd library

By Marissa Lehmacher and Laurie Gardner

#### **Adult Programs**

An Evening with Poe

Saturday, January 19, 6:30 p.m.

Actor Campbell Harmon brings the Master of the Macabre, Edgar Allan Poe, to life on the writer's 210th birthday for an after-hours evening of thrills and chills at Brainerd Memorial Library. Hear stories and poems like the The Tell-Tale Heart and The Raven by Poe. Learn about the author's life, his tragic love, his mysterious death, and his profound influence on American literature. Campbell Harmon will dispel the myths that have surrounded his legacy to show how Poe's works continue to affect us today.

Connecticut 169 Book Talk with Marty Podskoch

Thursday, January 31, 6:30 p.m.

The Brainerd Library will host a book talk and signing by author and historian Marty Podskoch on his new book, The Connecticut 169 Club: Your Passport and Guide to Exploring Connecticut. The new travel book encourages travelers to visit all of the 169 towns and villages of our beautiful and unique state.

Marty has created the book to be a guide and a passport. Podskoch got someone from each town to write a short description highlighting their town's location, history, and interesting places to visit. Elizabeth Malloy, Executive Director of the Haddam Historical Society, has written the chapter on Haddam. Podskoch did this because local residents knew

more about their town than he. The book has a space for travelers to journal about their experiences and a place to get the book stamped or signed by a resident or business. Travelers will get to know the locals and perhaps learn about a good place to eat or an interesting local attraction. In this way they get to know a lot about Connecticut and its residents.

#### **Children's Programs**

#### **Preschool Storytime**

Preschool Storytime takes place every Tuesday at 10:30 a.m. Join us for themed stories, songs, finger plays, and crafts. Appropriate for children ages 2 to 5, but siblings are always welcome.

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#### TOWN AND COMMUNITY CALENDAR

#### Thursday, January 10

Regional District 17 Kindergarten Registration, 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (at all three elementary schools)

Please bring your child's birth certificate and proof of residency with you at the time of registration. A parent information night and an incoming student visitation day will be held in the spring. More information will follow. Children entering kindergarten must be five years old on or before January 1, 2020.

FOR ADDITIONAL DETAILS, PLEASE CON-

Killingworth Elementary School, Dennis Reed, Principal, 860-663-1121

Burr District Elementary School, Eric Larson, Prin-

cipal, 860-345-4584

Haddam Elementary School, Brienne Whidden, Principal, 860-345-4551

#### Tuesday, January 15

State Rep. "Listening Session," 9:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Christine Palm, State Representative for the 36th District, will begin meeting with constituents in various locations in her district soon after taking office. She intends to hold these "listening sessions" in coffee shops in each of the four towns in the 36th during the month of January. After that, she will hold at least one meeting per month, rotating times and locations throughout the district, including libraries, assisted living facilities and town halls. Residents of any town are always welcome to attend a meeting in another town. Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2019: The Nook, 1610 Saybrook Rd., Tylerville (Haddam), 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Annual Town Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall, 21 Field Park Drive

#### Wednesday, January 16

Registrar of Voters Office Hours, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Haddam Volunteer Fire Company Station #1, 439 Saybrook Road, Higganum

\*Please visit www.haddam.org or www.haddam-killingworthnow.com for the most current and complete information.

#### **HKHS GYMNASTICS**

#### HKHS opens season, competes against Mercy, Valley, Law, Stonington

By Brianna Livingston, Team Captain, HKHS Gymnastics

On Dec. 27, 2018, the Haddam Killingworth High School Gymnastics team attended their first meet of the season against Mercy, Law, and Valley at Flip Flop Gymnastics.

Vault:

Brianna Livingston, 8.2 Anastasia Intell, 7.3 Chloe Totman, 7.2

Bars

Brianna Livingston, 7.4 Chloe Totman, 3.9

Brianna Livingston, 7.0 Chloe Totman, 5.5 Anastasia Intell, 4.3

Floor

Brianna Livingston, 6.8 Anastasia Intell, 5.4

Mercy placed first with 132.2, Law placed second with 125.95, Valley placed third with 124.05, and HK placed last with 63.0.

On Dec. 29, 2018, the HKHS team attended their second meet of the season against Stonington, Mercy, and Valley at Flip Flop Gymnastics.

Vault:

Brianna Livingston, 7.5 Emily Sorrentino, 7.2 Chloe Totman, 6.7 Anastasia Intell, 6.5

Bars

Brianna Livingston, 6.8 Emily Sorrentino, 4.6 Chloe Totman, 3.5

Beam

Brianna Livingston, 6.7 Chloe Totman, 6.4 Anastasia Intell, 5.6

Floor

Brianna Livingston, 6.9 Anastasia Intell, 6.0

Mercy placed first with 130.3, Stonington placed second with 118.2, Valley placed third with 97.75, and HK placed last with 74.40.

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## **HKHS Honor Roll** 2018-19 **Quarter 1**

Submitted by Christine Smith, HKHS

High honors is awarded to students with a quarter Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.7 or higher; Honors is awarded to students with a quarter GPA of 3.3 or higher (both refer to weighted GPAs, where AP/Honors level courses have an added point value over college prep courses). Due to a computer glitch at the high school, which left out students' names, this entire list is being reprinted.

#### **GRADE 12 ~ HIGH HONORS**

Anziano, Emma Katherina Bagnoli, Abigail Davis Blodgett, Sally Elizabeth Botteon, Troy William Bowles, Morgan Leigh Brown, Dalton Edward Bruder, James Joseph Carlson, Nate Richard Celano, Catherine Mary Chan, Esmee Lin Chute, Connor Anthony Civiello, Devin Michael Civiello, Jonathan Daniel Conti, Rebecca Catherine Criscuolo, Kyle J Duval, Matthew Scott Ferguson, Trent Erik Figurelli, Erin Rae Flaherty, Michaela Elizabeth Freeman, Jonah Ram Giambanis, Dimitrios Georgios Goosen, Jacques Maurice Herbst, Marianne K. Hinds, Eleanor Rebecca Insall, Emily Jane Izzo, Griffin Alexander

Knapp, Tyler David Kubacka, Curtis J Kuehn, Andrew Jonathan Kulmacz, Gabriella L Lavoie, Colton Clay Martone, Daniel Martin McGoey, Katherine E McLeod, Hannah Rose McManus, Elizabeth Anne Murray, Carter Lee Nelson, Kyle Christopher Nuhn, Mikayla Elisabeth Ouellette, Nicholas Ryan Peoples, Kerri Grace Serbent, Nolan Matthew Sleight, Alicia Rose Snyder, Noah Andrew Strom, Sadie Ann Therrien, Sydni Grace Tucker, Erin Kathleen Tupay, Jordan Kayla Wettemann, Karina Marie Williams, Thomas Thesiger Williamson, Spencer James Wills, Matthew David Wright, Owen Thomas Yantosh, Grace Catherine

#### **GRADE 11 ~ HIGH HONORS**

Adelberg, Jasmine Skyler Andrews, Michelle Jeanne Badami, Arjun Vikram Barrueta Azaola, Gorka Biondi, Adelle Marie Bobbi, James Peter Bredefeld, Nicole Marie Bucko, Lily Yates Callis, Julia Elizabeth Carini, Benjamin T Carini, Isabelle L. Champagne, Dylan Thomas Chase, Carter Jonathan Clemente, James John Corey, Phoebe Ngoc Thao Crandall, Kaitlin Gillespie Danaher, Nicholas John Dragoo, Schuyler Rae Duncanson, Ashley E Elkin, Matilyn Sage Ellex, Jenna Marie

Frohlich, Peyton Richard Giblin, Alexander Chi-Hoon Giulini, Kevin Michael Herrmann, Olivia Christine Houlton, Elijah Henry Houlton, Zachary Hobson Jenkins, Reilly Margaret Lamb, Tara Anne Lamontagne, Luke Jacob Lamoureux, Jordan Danielle Lena, Dominic Anthony Lentz, Crystal Marie Lindell, Ava Deanna Miller, Lauren Alexander O'Toole, Michael Patton Pattavina, Lillian Rose Petras, Nathan Henry Phelps, Haley Margaret Plous, Fijare Pontbriand, Natalie Joan Regan, Seth Kyle Robinson, Griffin Ellis Ruocco, Corinne Marie Sacchi, Julia Grace Sevigny, Saige Emily Tinker, David Taylor Hansen West, Brian Thomas Whitehead, Shelby Grace

#### **GRADE 10 ~ HIGH HONORS**

Berardino, Katja Haley Blair, Alexander J Bodak, Meara Shea Boots, Patrick Lawrence Bosco, John Thomas Braren, Cal David Bruder, John Albert Byrne, Jasmine Ann Carter, Timothy John

Celano, Elizabeth Dwyere Chester, Ethan Jay Chute, Jonathan Gary Cozean, Maxwell Daley, Kristen Carol DiMauro, Luke Edward Dinsmore, Tiel Shanning Doxsee, Meghan Christine Dragoo, Sidney Paul Duffield, Jessica Elizabeth Esposito, Caitlyn Rose Flaherty, Gabrielle Mae Giambanis, Antonios Georgios Gromala, Sophie Rose Harris, Fisher Walker Huebner, Etienne TC Jennings, Matthew Jonathan Jensen, Julia Rose Kelsey, Spencer William Klein, Abigail Elizabeth Laird-Hoover, Hannah Maureen Lawrence, Hayley Lester, Gabrielle Lonergan, Kelsey Faith Luther, Ryan Christopher Luther, Samuel Christopher Lynskey, Gregory Charles Mack, Jaden Alistair Mazziotti, Kyle Joseph McGoey, James Francis Mercier, Anna Sterling Murray, Hunter James Nystrom, Malin Claire O'Linn, Chase Alexander O'Linn, Jordan Taylor Parri, Kaitlyn Quinn Pascucci, Michael Anthony Perry, Thomas Edward Petrus-Chapman, Hannah Paige Pizzuto, Sally Kathryn

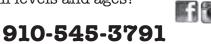
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## What You Eat And How Much Does Matter. (Diet Part I) While there are those lucky individuals who can eat whatever they like

and as much as they like, these fortunate individuals still need to take notice of what they consume. There have recently been a few major studies that have analyzed how our daily food consumption, amount of exercise, and social interaction protects us against Alzheimers Disease. To provide the Reader's Digest conclusion- A diet good for your cardiovascular system is advantageous in helping you prevent Alzheimer's, but you also have to exercise, and stay socially active.

We have the Mediterranean Diet, the Atkins- high protein, low carb diet, and now the Canadian Medical Society and the Rush Medical Center in Chicago have come up with suggested diets that help in the prevention of Alzheimer's Disease. Cornell University physicians have focused on trying identify the early inflammatory conditions that are important in the control and prevention of heart and Alzheimer's Disease.

Over the next couple of weeks I am going to discuss each of these diets, and the impact on our cellular processes that stimulate unwanted inflammation. But, it is not just about what we eat, lifestyle changes that are helpful in the prevention of Alzheimer's include exercise of all our muscles daily including our mind.

Exercise does not have to be intense and requiring massive amounts of gym equipment, but it does to be consistent and for a period of time, and not just limited to when it is sunny, not too hot, not too cold, and even when rainy. So get on the treadmill, walk Haddam Meadows, and stay in contact with friends- make the phone calls.

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## RSD #17 restructuring plan: Frequently asked questions

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as four square, hopscotch, and beanbag toss can be played on the adjacent black-top. Students can also enjoy basketball and jump rope. Based upon student interest, plans are underway to have swings, a climbing structure, and a ga-ga ball pit. The extracurricular program will include a robust offering, based on student surveys, of clubs including but not limited to running, cooking, crafting, robotics, maker-space, drama, student council, science, and book clubs.

Will class sizes change from what they have been for grades four and five due to the restructuring? Class sizes will not exceed the maximum class sizes that have existed in Region 17 over the past ten years. This has typically been a maximum of 20 students in grades K-3 and 22 students in grades 4-5.

Can all Intermediate and Middle School students fit in the current middle school facility? Yes, the middle school has a capacity of 880 students. The projected 2019-20 enrollment for the Intermediate School (grades 4-5) is 259 and 491 for the middle school (grades 6-8) for a total of 750 students. Projected enrollment for 2020-21 is 257 in grades 4-5

and 455 in 6-8 for a total of 712. The total projected enrollment for 2021-22 is 690 with 270 in grades 4-5 and 420 in grades 6-8.

Where will fourth and fifth grade classrooms be located? The Middle School has four wings and eight instructional pods. Core classrooms for the Intermediate School will be located within pod areas that will be designated for 4th and 5th grade. The specific location of classrooms is being finalized in December and will be communicated to the public in January. There will be opportunities for students and parents to tour the facility.

Will there be an orientation program for students who will enter the Intermediate School next year? Yes, during the winter months the Intermediate School Planning Committee will be crafting orientation and visitation activities. Activities will take place throughout the spring, summer, and up until the start of school. Future updates and district communications will provide details.

Will the K-3 Program change at all? If so, how? The Primary Program will not change in any large manner. The Primary Program Committee will be

taking the opportunity during this restructuring process to review the program and make any adjustments that make sense for this age group of learners.

Will students and families from HES and BES have opportunities to meet one another before next year? Yes, the Primary Program Committee will be planning merger activities to take place throughout the spring that will be for faculty, staff, students and parents. Stay tuned for future updates on details.

Can the BES building fit all K-3 students from Haddam? Yes, BES has 28 classrooms, 22 can be grade level classrooms and 6 are other classrooms for specials (Art/Music/Computer Lab) and instructional support (Special Education and Instructional Intervention). Maintaining historical class sizes, BES has the capacity for approximately 440 students. The enrollment at BES (with HES and BES K-3 merged) for 2019-20 is 300 students. The projected number of grade level classrooms needed for 2019-20 is 16.

Will the Middle School (6-8) Program change at all? If so, how? The Middle School Program will not change in any significant manner as a result of this restructuring.

## January programs and events at Brainerd Memorial Library

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#### **Saturday Storytime**

Can't make preschool storytime during the week? Join us on the first Saturday of every month at 10:30 a.m. for stories, songs, finger plays, and crafts. Appropriate for children ages 2 to 5, but siblings are always welcome.



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#### Music with Margie

Music with Margie will meet on the following Thursdays in January: the 10th, 24th, and the 31st at 10:30 a.m. The theme for January is "Rhymes and Circle Dances." 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.

#### **Toddler Tunes**

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. Ms. Kelly brings musical instruments. In January, Toddler Tunes will take place on the following Thursdays at 10:30 a.m.: the 3rd and the 17th. Appropriate for children ages 1 to 3, but siblings are

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#### Young Adult Programs

#### **Teen Advisory Board**

Is back for the school year! What can your library do for you? Join BML's Teen Advisory Board to find out! The TAB will meet on Thursday, January 17th from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Voice your ideas for improved young adult (YA) services, help plan YA events and activities, help develop the YA collection, and assist with Children's programming. Participation counts toward community services hours and looks great on college and job applications! Contact Kristen at kcarpentier@brainerdlibrary.org or call us at 860-345-2204. It's your library... make a difference! For tweens and teens grades 6 to 12.

#### Cupcake Lab

No competition, just fun! We provide the cupcakes and decorating supplies, and you decorate them to create unique cupcakes. Each month has a new science based theme! This month's theme is Entomology (the study of Insects)! Cupcake Lab will take place on Thursday, January 24th from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. For tweens and teens grades 6 through 12.



## January events at the Buttonwood Tree

The Buttonwood Tree Performing Arts & Cultural Center

605 Main Street, Middletown, CT 06457 www. buttonwood.org

Contact: Anne-Marie 860-347-4957

#### Sharp 5

January 11, 8-10pm, \$15

Sharp 5 is an ensemble of musicians brought together through the love of jazz. The band has a repertoire that includes many styles of jazz from Swing to Latin, Bebop to Cool, Blues to Funk. The five members of the ensemble create a warm and enticing sound and are not afraid to push the limits.

#### Indigo Soul

January 12, 8-10pm, \$10

Indigo Soul is a stripped-down rhythm and voice trio serving up a tasteful repertoire of R&B, soul and light pop. This tidy little trio hails from the vibrant artists village of Chester in the beautiful CT River Valley. Featuring Carol Piro on lead vocals and shakers, Jeremy Coster on bass and Steve Fava on percussion and supporting vocals.

#### Crystal Bowl Sound Healing w/ Lou Sorrentino

January 15, 7:30-8:30pm (3rd Tuesdays)

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## Shaking the Tree – Gong and Sound Meditation

January 17, 7-9pm, (3rd Thursdays)

\$10 Suggested Donation

Andrew does his practice with many different sound tools and percussion affects including but not limited to: gongs, bells, ocarinas, drums, horns,

shakers, and singing bowls. This will indeed be a night to remember! So tell a friend, bring the family, bring a blanket and pillow to lay down on.

#### **Ashley Hamel**

January 18, 8-10pm, \$10

Ashley Hamel is a singer-songwriter, improviser, and wizard rock star. Hamel writes and plays songs that tell all sorts of different stories. Come listen to her beautiful voice and honest lyrics!

#### **Teen Open Mic**

January 19, 3-5pm, \$5 (3rd Saturdays)

Be a part of Buttonwood's first open mic specifically for performers ages 12-18. Perform any type of art and bands are welcome. Call for details. Whether it is your first time performing or you are an experienced musician, poet, or artist, The Buttonwood Tree is a positive, supporting environment for teens to perform. Funded in part by the Community Foundation of Middlesex County.

# 14th Annual Composer and Improvisors Festival ft. bassist Joe Fonda

January 19, 8-10pm, \$15

Save the date! The 14th Annual Composers Festival is coming to town, featuring bassist Joe Fonda, percussionist Kevin Norton, and trumpet player Taylor Ho Bynum Joe Fonda. Joe Fonda is a composer, bassist, recording artist, interdisciplinary performer, producer and educator. The festival will present three solo sets and a final set of the trio performing together.

#### **Middlesex Drum Circle**

January 24, 7-9pm (4th Thursday)

\$5 suggested donation

Andrew Prue leads a fun and exhilarating session. Extra percussion instruments will be available, though you are encouraged to bring your own. No reservations necessary.

#### Gary Oleyar Soft Jazz Violin

January 25, 8-10pm, \$15

GARY OLEYAR has been making music since he was a young child. Inspired to pick up a guitar by Duane Allman, OLEYAR can now play "anything with strings." A veteran of many musical adventures, OLEYAR has toured with well-known musicians like Kenny Chesney, Bob Seger, and most recently the legendary Jim Messina and Kenny Loggins. Join us for a smooth night of jazz at The Buttonwood Tree!

## Carolyn Brodinski – Mountain dulcimer concert & class

January 26, 8-10pm, \$15

Learn to play the dulcimer and hear about its history at this "string side up" workshop given by local musician and singer/songwriter Carolyn Brodginski. (Dulcimers provided for participants.) Then stay for a concert afterwards to hear the many voices of this original American instrument.

#### **COMMUNITY / FAITH**

# HUMC coffee house, open mic to take place Jan. 26

There will be a coffee house at Higganum United Methodist Church(located at 248 Saybrook Road, Higganum) on Saturday, Jan. 26, 6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Open Mic: sing, play an instrument, tell a joke or recite a poem, OR just come! FUN for all ages! And FREE FOOD.

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## January events & activities

By Shannon Morrison Buganski, Director, Haddam Senior Center

#### **Winter Hours:**

The Senior Center will be open as follows:

Mondays/Wednesdays/Fridays: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Tuesdays/Thursdays: 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Tai Chi on Tuesdays until 2:30 p.m.)

January Closings: 1/1/19 (New Year's Day); 1/21/19 (Martin Luther King Jr. Day)

Phone: 860-345-2480

Happy New Year! Just a quick reminder, if you find yourself needing assistance this winter, please contact one of your Senior Services team members.

\*\*\*In the event of inclement weather, it is helpful to remember that the Senior Center follows the Regional School District 17 closing schedule- when they have a snow day, we do too; schools have a delay, we may as well. When in doubt, call first!\*\*\*

#### **Activity Highlights**

1/11/19 (Fri) – Free Blood Pressure Screenings & Continental Breakfast, 9:30am-11:00am

1/18/19 (Fri) – BINGO @ 1:00 p.m.

1/24/19 (Thursday) – Monthly Craft @ 12:30p.m. – Snowman Mason Jar Candleholder

1/25/19 (Fri) - Pizza & A Movie @ 12:00 p.m. -

"Winchester" (2018) Starring Helen Mirren as heiress Sarah Winchester

1/30/19 (Wed) – CRT Celebrates January Birthdays 2/6/19 (Wed) – Painting Event with Christine Miller @ 12:30 p.m. – Flower Filled Vase

Don't forget about our regularly scheduled programming (i.e. Ukuladies, Silver Threads Recorder Group, Setback, Tai Chi, Needlework Club, Card Crafting Club, etc).

#### **Nutrition Program**

The Haddam Senior Center is fortunate to offer the Elderly Nutrition Program by serving as a Community Café through Community Renewal Team (CRT). This program is a federally funded Title III grant that is administered by Senior Resources. As the grant does not cover all of the costs involved (i.e. product, preparation, distribution, service), a donation of \$2.50 per meal is requested. Please note we may see an increase to the suggested donation in the new year. If you are able to contribute \$3.00 per meal, we ask that you consider doing so at this time.

Please remember to reserve your meal a minimum of 24 hours in advance (by noon the day before the requested meal). You may do so by calling the Center's main phone line or by signing up at the Center ahead of time.

Homebound seniors can receive healthy meals delivered right to their door through the Meals on Wheels program. If you are interested in learning

rate of speed, getting off at exit 9. The Infiniti collid-

more about this program or you believe you may be eligible, please contact the Senior Center or the Social Services office.

CRT is pleased to announce that beginning January 2019, they will be sponsoring a monthly raffle. The goal is to help generate enthusiasm and bring in new patrons for the Senior Lunch Program. The prize will be food in nature, and will vary each month to go along with the monthly themed meal. Each day that a participant comes to lunch, their name will be entered into a "hat" for a drawing. The drawing will be held the last lunch service of the month. The more you attend, the greater your chances are of winning!

January 14, 2019 (Mon) National Strawberry Ice Cream Day

PRIZE DRAWING: Half Gallon popular brand Strawberry Ice Cream

February 20, 2019 (Wed) National Cherry Pie Day

PRIZE DRAWING: Homemade Cherry Pie

The prize will be delivered on the next service day following the end of the month according to each site's schedule of service.

#### **Senior Van Services**

If you have difficulty driving or limited transportation available, we encourage you to take advantage of the Senior Van Services. The Senior Van is available to those 60 and older, residing in Haddam and Higganum. In addition to weekly shopping trips and occasional field trips, the service provides door to door transportation to medical appointments within Middlesex County, as well as provides rides to and from the Senior Center. Call Diane Gondek for more information or to schedule a ride (860-682-3301).

#### **Haddam CLUB 60**

Please see Club President Mary Lou Pierce or contact the Senior Center for more info. Meetings are generally held the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month (September through June) at 1:00 p.m. The first meeting of the month is a business meeting while the second meeting provides programming and entertainment. Upcoming schedule as follows:

Monday, January 28, 2019 – Diane Andrews "Taxes" Monday, February 4, 2019 – Business Meeting Monday, February 25, 2019 – Entertainment by Jon Condie

#### POLICE NEWS

# New Haven man arrested after chase ends in crash

Editors Note: Trooper reports reflect arrests, not convictions.

On Dec. 27, 2018 at approximately 3:30 p.m., the Connecticut State Police were conducting motor vehicle enforcement on Route 9 southbound between exit 10 and 9 just South of the Christian Hill overpass. A silver Infiniti coupe was observed traveling at a high rate of speed in the left lane. The vehicle was found to be traveling 89 miles per hour in a posted 65 mile per hour zone. Connecticut State Police attempted to stop the vehicle utilizing emergency lights and siren but the Infiniti accelerated at a high

ed with a blue Hyundai at the intersection of Route 81 and exit 9 off ramp, causing the Hyundai to roll onto its roof. The occupant of the Hyundai suffered substantial injuries and was transported to Hartford Hospital. The occupant of the Infiniti attempted to flee the scene on foot but was apprehended shortly after. The male operator of the Infiniti, identified as, Christopher Lanham, 30, of New Haven, was arrested and charged with, reckless driving ,operating under suspension, failure to have minimum insurance, engaging in pursuit, evading responsibility, interfering with a police officer, reckless endangerment, possession of less than 1/2 ounce of marijuana, assault 2nd degree and assault 3rd degree. Lanham posted a \$50,000 cash surety bond and was scheduled to appear at Middlesex superior court on Jan. 2, 2019.









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## Needleman appointed to leadership roles on State Senate Committees

By Norm Needleman, State Senator-Elect, 33rd District

State Senator Elect Norm Needleman (D-Essex) announced that he has been appointed Senate Chair of the Energy & Technology Committee, and Senate Vice Chair of the Banking Committee.

"The towns in our district have gained a leadership presence in policy development for finance, technology, and energy infrastructure," said Needleman.

"My experience in government and business financial management, and my years of working with major utilities and energy providers directly applies to the work of both committees. I look forward to bringing common sense ideas to these important issues."

The Energy and Technology Committee formulates policies relating to the Department of Energy

and Environmental Protection, energy-related planning, and technology issues. The committee works closely with energy and technology services and utilities, which include electric utilities and cable TV

The Banking Committee develops policies relating to consumer credit and lending, business finance, the Department of Banking, all banks, credit unions, securities sales, fraternal benefit societies and secured and unsecured lending.

Needleman expects additional committee assignments to be announced in the near future. He officially began his State Senate term on Jan. 9.

## Palm to hold January 'listening sessions' for constituents

By Christine Palm, State Representative-Elect, 36th District

Christine Palm, State Representative-Elect for the 36th District (covering the towns of Chester, Deep River, Essex and Haddam) will take the Oath of Office on Wed., Jan. 9, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the State Capitol. Palm is one of 151 members of the House (the lower chamber of the General Assembly), each of whom represents approximately 23,000 people. Palm ran as a progressive Democrat who was cross-endorsed by the Working Families Party, and stood for economic security for all workers, affordable healthcare, school excellence, gun safety, enhanced women's rights and environmental protections.

Palm will begin meeting with constituents in various locations in her district soon after taking office. She intends to hold these "listening sessions" in coffee shops in each of the four towns in the 36th during the month of January. After that, she will hold at least one meeting per month, rotating times and locations throughout the district, including libraries, assisted living facilities and town halls. Residents of any town are always welcome to attend a meeting in another town. For the month of January meetings are as follows:

Friday, Jan. 11, 2019: The Villager, Downtown Chester, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. https://www.thevillagerchester.

Tuesday, Jan. 15, 2019: The Nook, 1610 Saybrook Rd., Tylerville (Haddam), 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 22, 2019: Savour, Spencer's Corners,

Centerbrook (Essex), 10:00-11:00 a.m. http://www. thesavourcafe.com/

Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2019: Whistle Stop Café, Main Street, Deep River, noon to 1:00 p.m. https://www. facebook.com/whistlestopcafect/

"It's very important to me to hear from the residents - both those who voted for me and those who did not," Palm said. "Too many people feel government is out of touch with them – that it's an inaccessible monolith. That's not the kind of government I want to serve in and I intend to be as responsive as possi-

Once Palm is sworn in, her official State of Connecticut email, phone number, website and Facebook page will go live and she will make them public. For now, residents of any of the towns she serves are welcomed to call her on her cell phone, which is 860-836-2145.

#### LEGAL NOTICES

#### **LEGAL NOTICE** ANNUAL TOWN MEETING TOWN OF HADDAM

The electors and citizens qualified to vote at Town Meetings are hereby warned and notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held at the Town Hall, 21 Field Park Drive, Haddam, CT on Tuesday, January 15, 2019 at 6:30 P.M. for the following

To Consider and accept the Annual Town Report for the fiscal year July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Dated in Haddam, Connecticut this 10th day of January.

Board of Selectmen: Lizz Milardo, Larry Maggi and Melissa

#### **OBITUARIES**

#### Robert Beauton

According to Legacy.com and The New Haven Register, Robert Beauton, age 82, of Killingworth, passed away on Dec. 19, 2018.

#### Jo-Anne Gamberdella

According to Legacy.com and The New Haven Register, Jo-Anne Matusovich Gamberdella, age 71, formerly of Killingworth, passed away on Friday, Dec. 21, 2018.

#### John McMeekin

According to Legacy.com and The Hartford Courant,

John McMeekin, age 61, formerly of Killingworth, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 23, 2018.

#### **Catherine Serino**

According to Legacy.com and The Hartford Courant, Catherine Serino, age 77, of Middletown, passed away on Monday, Dec. 24, 2018. According to the obituary, Cathy "enjoyed cooking for and entertaining family and friends at her cottage in Higganum."

#### **David Modine**

According to Legacy.com and The New Haven Register, David Modine, age 50, of Killingworth, passed away on Sunday, Dec. 30, 2018.

#### 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 January 17, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following item (s):

#### **Public Hearing and Meeting:**

A modification to an existing half story one bedroom with bathroom, of an additional kitchenette located at 15 Hidden Lake Road, Haddam CT.

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

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

The Town of Haddam shall endeavor to post its Legal Notices with the Haddam News publication. In the event that the weekly publication cannot meet the Town's statutory requirements, the Middletown Press or Hartford Courant shall be utilized to meet said statutory deadlines. Courtesy copies will be published to Haddam News that may or may not be timely. The Town's website is: www.haddam.org.

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Rubino, Mia Angelina
Rutledge, Sean Edward
Seward, Jenna Michelle
Spector, Julian Kyan
Thiel, Matthew Preston
Tucker, Emma Rose
Walton, Autumn Marie
Williams, Kaylee Reese
Wills, Tessa Ann

#### GRADE 9 ~ HIGH HONORS

Beauchamp, Duncan Paul Bredefeld, Alyssa Rose Byrum, Kaitlyn Nicole Cardarelli, Michael Joseph Carlson, Tori Lynn Ceplenski, Eve Elizabeth Civiello, Caden Emmanuel Conti, Andrew Thomas Duncanson, Ryan Scott Flaherty, Jacqueline Grace Fleig, Andrew Steven Freibauer, Valleri Elizabeth Frith, Jared Thomas Glynn, Nicholas Michael Goosen, Nicole Ann Haas, Daniel Dillon Haase, Megan Elizabeth Hedges, Andrew Vincent Imai, Yumiko Lillian Izzo, Trevor Anthony Keithan-Resnick, Madeline May Ketchedjian, Tobias Nathaniel Kowalski, Andrea Lamy, Caitlin Elizabeth Manley, Melissa Lynn Mazzotta, Kyla Reese McCarthy, James Walker Merola, Greyson Matthew Minervino, Brianna Marie Norman, Grayson William Pacyna, Izabela Marta Reinhardt, Sage Jillian Riggs, Libby Smith, Hayden Phoenix Snyder, Audrey Catherine Sosnowski, Leah Grace Studzinski, Kylie Ann Swanson, Olivia Lee Tassmer, Ava Rose Thelen, Julia Florence Vaughn, Michael Francesco Welsch, Shelby Ann Wettemann, Alexis Lori Wettemann, Olivia Elaine Williams, Benjamin Andrew Wilson, Katrin Delaney Young, Samuel Michael

#### **GRADE 12 ~ HONORS**

Averill, Hannah Rose Barile, Michael Keith Barragan, Cristina Beecher, Caleigh Bell, Jane Sabina

Zaitoun, Jayden Michael

Boyington, Elena Grace Bragdon, Kiera Grace Cassidy, Hailey Elizabeth Chapman, Gracy Raye Coady, Autumn Nettleton Dansereau, Kristen Julia Diotaiuto, Ryan Michael DiStasio, Chloe Louise Eckert, Jack William Figurelli, Kyra Lynn Forte, Leah Marie Freeman, Seth Lakhan Hamilton, Ashley Rose Hansen, Christian David Harry, Bridget Elizabeth Hunt, Sean Douglas Jennings, Emily Patricia Johnson, Lindsey Anne Karam, Paul Robert Kim, Kevin S. Liptak, Jhenna Drew Mack, Chase Maggi, Nicholas Joseph Maher, Aiden Burke Manley, Abigail Marie Marciniec, Zachary Robert Martino, James Robert McHugh, Ian Michael Minervino, Amanda Marie Murphy, James Patrick Nuzzo, Sarah Grace O'Sullivan, Siobhan Caitlin Rich, Victoria Rose Rogers, Spencer Michael Sabovic, Fatima Sample, Bryan Wallace Santopietro, Andrew Michael Sasso, Juliette Anastasia Sisti, Joseph Michael Smith, Zoe Margaret Sonski, Michael Peter Statkiewicz, Sierra Nicole Teebagy, Juliana Diletta Wilson, Katharine Laine Wink, Tuckerman Jon Yepes, Briana Lyn

#### **GRADE 11 ~ HONORS**

Biondi, Anna Marie Bounphakdy, Kaisone Toby Burley, Lauren Elizabeth Chrzanowski, Teagan Murphy Cole, Michela Rose Conklin, Emersyn Patricia Coon, Devin Daniel D'Ambra, William Anthony D'Amico, Lauren Mitchell Erskine, Samuel James Fisher, Rebecca Ashley Fleig, Evan James Formica, Joseph Celestino Gagliardi, Alyssa Ruth-Elyana Gallant, Devin Elise Gyorog, Catalina Grace Hazlett, Colton Jeffrey Hill, Andrew Warner Hines, Zachary David Howes, Owen C Johnson, Harrison Doan Kaimoto, Hiroko

Kiely, Madalyn Rose Leavitt, Hanna Rose LiDonni, Kaylie Nicole LiPuma, Maxwell Joseph Luneau, Evelyn Ann Luneau, Nicholas Avery Mallon, Dmytri Marinaro, Tea' Francesca Modehn, Dalton Emil Moore, Christopher Ryan Morman, Brooke Frances Morrell, Maranda Elizabeth O'Brien, Colin James Overchuk, Elizabeth Leia Purcell, Grace-Anne Elizabeth Reinhardt, Lauryn Sutton, Mackenzie Nicole Talbot, Maisy Alanah Thomas, Robert James Trahan, Samuel Gabriel Walczak, Cody Robert Williams, Damaris Victoria Zupan, Alexandra Elizabeth

#### **GRADE 10 ~ HONORS**

Antonelli, Elizabeth Rose

Barile, Gavin Stone

Bernier, Brandon William Brown, Rory John Coleman, Aidan D Criscuolo, Mai-Ly Minh Danaher, Kayla Elizabeth DelVecchio, Rachel Elizabeth Duquette, Addison Rose Fialkoff, Spencer F. Garrelts, Christopher Matthew Grasso, Ashley Kate Griffith, Jenna Rose Guarino, Sofia Rose Hall, Kaitlin Elizabeth Hawkins, Adelaide Lennon Henry, Jillian Mary Hesselberg, Tristan Alexander Houde, Jackson David Leathers, Hunter Tylor Lewis, Kedarjah Madore, Morgan G. Martino, Charles Matthew Maziarz, John Patrick McGlynn, Ella Rose Nielsen, Brett William Pach, Nicholas Anthony Perras, Marc Brendan Pitts, Jackson William Rakowski, Kaleigh Ann Revis, Malone Jacob Lee Rice, James Dyson Scarpa, Ronald John Schultz, Morgan Elizabeth Singer, Maxwell Brennan Sodergren, Audrey Mae Stone, Grace Marie Williams, Candace Elizabeth Yazmer, Morgan Olivia Yepes, Nicholas Frank

#### **GRADE 9 ~ HONORS**

Ackerman, Nikki Lynn Baird, Evan Thomas Baucom, Wesley Marie

Butler, Megan Joy Cassidy, Grace Margaret Commerford, Hadley Grayce Connelly, Bryce Alexander Criscuolo, Ly-Linh Anh Daley, Joseph Philip Davis, Kayla Elizabeth DiMatteo, Ava James Freeman, Caleb Kanha Guarino, John Russell Hajek, Sierra Marie Height, Samantha Madison Kish, Colby James Koepke, Charles Armstrong Leslie, Bryan Parmelee Lopez, Emma Mykala Mack, Riley James Malone, Connor McGrath, Leah Mercier, Joseph A Mercier, Sean Keller Miller, Jaden Rose Mucciacciaro, Matthew Peter Mucciacciaro, Rvan Narducci, Kameron Shea Nelligan, Lilianne Irene Pastore, Christopher Michael Phipps, Corey James Phipps, Rhianna Marie Purdy, Andrew Rankin, Emily Gail Rauscher, Laura Jocelyn Rettberg, Carly Rose Sample, Avery Amelia Sekban, Evren Sefa Selmer, Charlotte George Sorrentino, Emily Maria Stall-Ryan, Jonathan Phillips Stanford, Julian Thomas Strom, Scarlett Grace Timothy, Jessica Torello, Sophia Catherine Tousignant, Elanna Teresa Twachtman, Alison Rose

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