

HKHS Quarter 4 Honor Roll for 2018-2019

GRADE 12 ~ HIGH HONORS

Anziano, Emma
Katherina
Bagnoli, Abigail Davis
Blodgett, Sally Elizabeth
Botteon, Troy William
Brown, Dalton Edward
Carlson, Nate Richard
Celano, Catherine Mary
Chute, Connor Anthony
Civiello, Jonathan Daniel
Coady, Autumn
Nettleton
Conti, Rebecca
Catherine
Crisuolo, Kyle J
Duval, Matthew Scott
Eckert, Jack William
Edwards, Amber Rose
Facey, Madeline
Ferguson, Trent Erik
Figurelli, Erin Rae
Figurelli, Kyra Lynn
Flaherty, Michaela
Elizabeth
Freeman, Seth Lakhan
Giambanis, Dimitrios
Georgios
Harry, Bridget Elizabeth
Herbst, Marianne K.
Insall, Emily Jane
Jennings, Emily Patricia
Johnson, Lindsey Anne
Knapp, Tyler David
Kubacka, Curtis J
Kuehn, Andrew
Jonathan
Kulmacz, Gabriella L
Lavoie, Colton Clay
Liptak, Jhenna Drew
Mack, Chase
Martino, James Robert
Martone, Daniel Martin
McGoey, Katherine E
McLeod, Hannah Rose

Nelson, Kyle
Christopher
Nuzzo, Sarah Grace
Peoples, Kerri Grace
Sasso, Juliette Anastasia
Serbent, Nolan Matthew
Sleight, Alicia Rose
Smith, Zoe Margaret
Statkiewicz, Sierra
Nicole
Strom, Sadie Ann
Tucker, Erin Kathleen
Tupay, Jordan Kayla
Williams, Thomas
Thesiger
Williamson, Spencer
James
Wright, Owen Thomas

GRADE 11 ~ HIGH HONORS

Adelberg, Jasmine Skyler
Andrews, Michelle
Jeanne
Badami, Arjun Vikram
Barrueta Azaola, Gorka
Biondi, Adelle Marie
Biondi, Anna Marie
Bobbi, James Peter
Callis, Julia Elizabeth
Champagne, Dylan
Thomas
Chase, Carter Jonathan
Chrzanowski, Teagan
Murphy
Clemente, James John
Conklin, Emersyn
Patricia
Corey, Phoebe Ngoc
Thao
Crandall, Kaitlin
Gillespie
D'Amico, Lauren
Mitchell
Dragoo, Schuyler Rae
Duncanson, Ashley E

Haddam Garden Club awards 2019 scholarship



Zachary Marciniac is the recipient of the Haddam Garden Club scholarship this year. He graduated from HKHS and will be attending the University of Vermont this fall to study Forestry.

The scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior from Haddam or Higganum who is pursuing an education in environmental, horticultural, agricultural science or landscape design. Grades and community involvement are factored into the decision as well.

Congratulations to Zach! We wish him great success in his educational endeavors.

Elkin, Matilyn Sage
Ellex, Jenna Marie
Erskine, Samuel James
Herrmann, Olivia
Christine
Houlton, Elijah Henry

Houlton, Zachary
Hobson
Jenkins, Reilly Margaret
Kaimoto, Hiroko
Kiely, Madalyn Rose
Lamontagne, Luke Jacob

Lamoureux, Jordan
Danielle
Leavitt, Hanna Rose
Lena, Dominic Anthony
Lindell, Ava Deanna
LiPuma, Maxwell Joseph
Luneau, Evelyn Ann
Miller, Lauren
Alexander
O'Brien, Colin James
O'Toole, Michael Patton
Overchuk, Elizabeth
Leia
Pagano, Hope Isabella
Petras, Nathan Henry
Plous, Fijare
Pontbriand, Natalie Joan
Purcell, Grace-Anne
Elizabeth
Robinson, Griffin Ellis
Ruocco, Corinne Marie
Sacchi, Julia Grace
Sevigny, Saige Emily
Tinker, David Taylor
Hansen
Whitehead, Shelby
Grace

GRADE 10 ~ HIGH HONORS

Berardino, Katja Haley
Bodak, Meara Shea
Bosco, John Thomas
Braren, Cal David
Bruder, John Albert
Byrne, Jasmine Ann
Carter, Timothy John
Celano, Elizabeth
Dwyere
Chester, Ethan Jay
Chute, Jonathan Gary
Coleman, Aidan D
Cozean, Maxwell
Daley, Kristen Carol
DiMauro, Luke Edward
Dinsmore, Tiel Shanning

Doxsee, Meghan
Christine
Esposito, Caitlyn Rose
Flaherty, Gabrielle Mae
Giambanis, Antonios
Georgios
Griffith, Jenna Rose
Gromala, Sophie Rose
Harris, Fisher Walker
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
Melgar, Katherine
Gissele
Mercier, Anna Sterling
Nystrom, Malin Claire
O'Linn, Chase
Alexander
O'Linn, Jordan Taylor
Parri, Kaitlyn Quinn
Pascucci, Michael
Anthony
Perry, Thomas Edward
Pizzuto, Sally Kathryn
Pray, Matthew Joseph
Rakowski, Kaleigh Ann
Reinhardt, Sophie
Rubino, Mia Angelina
Rutledge, Sean Edward

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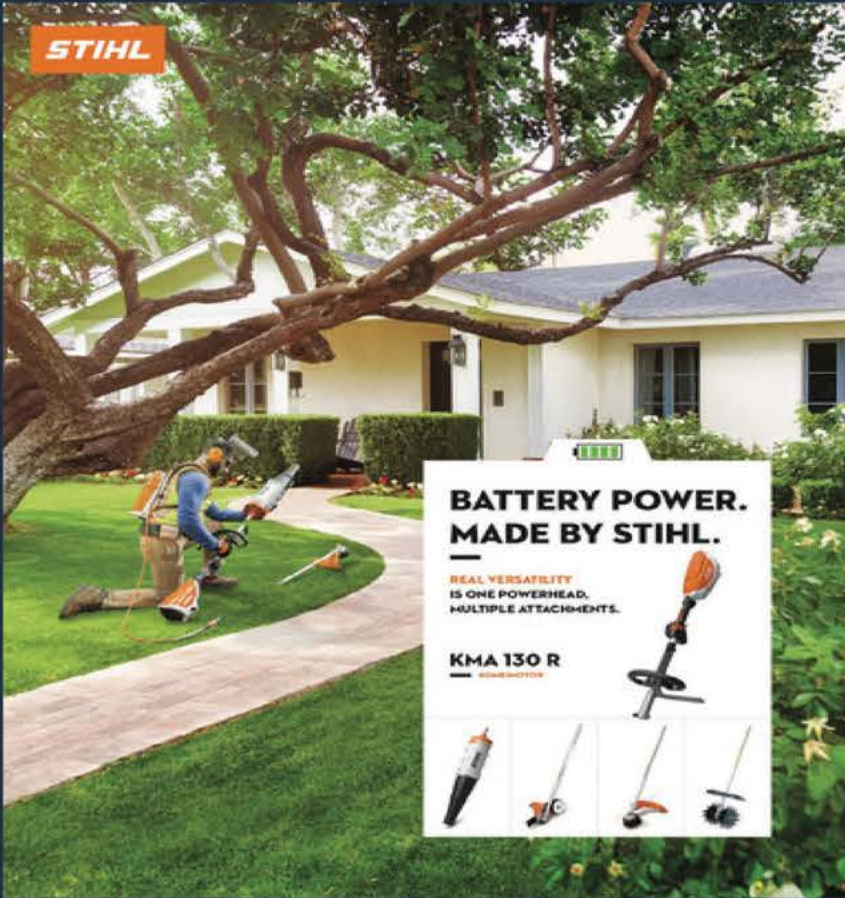
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June 26 Special Town Meeting

By Meghan Peterson, PhD

Editor's Note: Video of the Town Meeting will be available for viewing on valley shore community tv and its website: vsctv.com.

A Special Town Meeting was held on June 26, 2019 at the Haddam Volunteer Fire Company Station #1 for two central purposes: 1) vote on Town acceptance/spending of a \$225,000 state Brownfield Grant for remediation of the Scovil Hoe (old DOT Garage) in Higganum; 2) vote on transferring \$38,073 from operating to Capital Non-Recurring (CNR) for Capital Reval in 2020.

Tony Giamei was nominated moderator from the floor to preside over the meeting. Town Clerk Scott Brookes read the legal call for the meeting. First Selectwoman Lizz Milardo provided a brief synopsis

explaining the context for each item.

In terms of the Brownfield Grant, Milardo said that the Town had applied for a \$1 million grant but that state funding was short. To date, the Town has received \$200,000 for remediating Scovil Hoe, Milardo explained. Over the course of meetings with the Department of Economic and Community Development (DECD), Milardo said that the state indicated "great interest" in remediating the building and urged the Town to write a letter requesting additional monies. The state is now giving Haddam an additional \$225,000. Sally Haase inquired about the Brownfield grant. Milardo explained that there will be phases and steps for the remediation process. To this end, Milardo says she hopes that the money can go not only to the planning of remediation but actu-

al remediation as well.

In terms of transferring \$38,073 from operating budget to capital for 2020 Capital Reval, Milardo explained that the Town had planned to do the reval in-house, as the Tax Assessor at the time was confident in doing so. Milardo said, however, that the Town changed this process and recently accepted a bid from Equality Valuation Services to do the reval. Milardo emphasized that this is "a basic transfer from operating back to capital." This author asked whether the Town had previously done reval in-house. Milardo said no and that contracting for the reval is going to cost the same amount of money were the Town to do it in-house.

Both items passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned.

TOWN & COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Thursday, July 4

Happy Independence Day!

Monday, July 8

Board of Selectmen's Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, July 10

Registrar of Voters Office Hours, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Sunday, July 14

Rock & Ride

"ROCK & RIDE" REVS UP FOR 5TH ANNUAL MDA BENEFIT RIDE & CONCERT

On Sunday, July 14, 2019, Connecticut's largest one-

day charity motorcycle ride raises their kickstands for the 5th Annual MDA Benefit Ride & Concert, presented by Trantolo & Trantolo. Connecticut's largest one-day charity motorcycle ride returns to Sun Valley Beach Resort in Stafford Springs, Conn. and this year will headline rock icons BRET MICHAELS AND GRAND FUNK RAILROAD. All proceeds benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association of Connecticut.

More than 1,000 motorcycle riders from Connecticut and Massachusetts are expected.

"The MDA Benefit Ride & Concert is a summer event destination for motorcyclists and music fans from across the region. But most importantly, it is one of our largest annual fundraisers so we appreciate both the financial support and event organization from Trantolo & Trantolo," said Connecticut MDA Executive Director, Kevin Cassesse.

"New this year we are also selling reserved tent seating tickets at \$50 per person. These seats will

be under a big tent which will provide welcomed shade," said event coordinator, Norm LeBlanc. These tickets can be purchased at Old School Harley-Davidson in Ellington (formerly TSI Harley-Davidson) or Yankee Harley-Davidson in Bristol. Before the entertainment begins, enter to win amazing raffles prizes, including a brand-new Harley-Davidson Motorcycle. The lucky winner will be selected on stage at the concert!

"We look forward to seeing you on July 14th for the MDA Benefit Ride & Concert. Let's RIDE, ROCK AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE," said Scott Trantolo, Executive Director at Trantolo & Trantolo, a Connecticut personal injury law firm.

Tickets purchased in advanced starting at \$30 per person and include the motorcycle ride and concert. To purchase general admission tickets online visit www.MDARideCT.com. Both general admission and reserved tent seating tickets can be purchased in-person at the Trantolo & Trantolo offices, Old School Harley-Davidson in Ellington (formerly TSI Harley-Davidson), Yankee Harley-Davidson in Bristol, Sheldon's Harley-Davidson in Auburn, MA or the law offices of Trantolo & Trantolo and Four Seasons By the Lake at Sun Valley. This event will take place rain or shine. If you have any questions, please reach out to Ride Coordinator Norm LeBlanc at (860) 830-1256.

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Jesus Forgives Sin! He Said, "GO AND SIN NO MORE"


The religious police arrested a woman caught in the act of adultery. The Law required the death penalty by stoning, and her accusers wanted Jesus to condemn her. Jesus said, "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her..."⁹ When the accusers heard this, they slipped away one by one...until only Jesus was left in the middle of the crowd with the woman.¹⁰ Then Jesus stood up again and said to the woman, "Woman, where are those accusers of yours? Has no one condemned you?"¹¹ She said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said to her, "Neither do I condemn you; go and sin no more" (John 8:7-11).

Jesus healed the sick. "Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years."⁶ When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be made well?" After Christ healed the man, "Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, 'See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you'" (John 5:5-6, 14).

What could be worse than to perish in hell? Jesus said, "God so loved the world that He gave His only

begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."¹⁷ God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.¹⁸ 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... (John 3:16-19). "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).

Jesus said, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me...No one, having put his hand to the plow, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God" (Luke 9:23, 62). "We should no longer be slaves of sin..."¹⁴ For sin shall not have dominion over you...²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 6:6-23).

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Tucker, Emma Rose
Walton, Autumn Marie
Williams, Kaylee Reese
Wills, Tessa Ann

GRADE 9 ~ HIGH HONORS

Ackerman, Nikki Lynn
Beauchamp, Duncan Paul
Bredfeld, Alyssa Rose
Byrum, Kaitlyn Nicole
Carlson, Tori Lynn
Ceplenski, Eve Elizabeth
Conti, Andrew Thomas
Criscuolo, Ly-Linh Anh
Duncanson, Ryan Scott
Flaherty, Jacqueline Grace
Fleig, Andrew Steven
Freibauer, Valleri Elizabeth
Goosen, Nicole Ann
Hedges, Andrew Vincent
Imai, Yumiko Lillian
Keithan-Resnick, Madeline May
Lamy, Caitlin Elizabeth
Mack, Riley James
Manley, Melissa Lynn

Mazzotta, Kyla Reese
Merola, Greyson Matthew
Minervino, Brianna Marie
Narducci, Kameron Shea
Nelligan, Lillianne Irene
Riggs, Libby
Smith, Hayden Phoenix
Snyder, Audrey Catherine
Sosnowski, Leah Grace
Studzinski, Kylie Ann
Swanson, Olivia Lee
Thelen, Julia Florence
Timothy, Jessica
Vaughn, Michael Francesco
Virgulto, Isabella Ann
Welsch, Shelby Ann
Wettemann, Alexis Lori
Wettemann, Olivia Elaine
Williams, Benjamin Andrew
Zaitoun, Jayden Michael

GRADE 12 ~ HONORS

Averill, Hannah Rose
Beecher, Caleigh
Bell, Jane Sabina
Bowles, Morgan Leigh
Bragdon, Kiera Grace
Bruder, James Joseph
Cassidy, Hailey Elizabeth
Chapman, Gracy Raye

DiMatteo, Grace Lila
Diotaiuto, Ryan Michael
DiStasio, Chloe Louise
Evarts, Sarah Deborah
Forte, Leah Marie
Freeman, Jonah Ram
Hamilton, Ashley Rose
Hinds, Eleanor Rebecca
Izzo, Griffin Alexander
Livingston, Brianna Lynn
Maher, Aiden Burke
Manley, Abigail Marie
Marciniec, Zachary Robert
McNiell, Summer Grace
Mednick, Jordyn Nicole
Minervino, Amanda Marie
Murray, Carter Lee
Nelson, Shannon Elizabeth
Nuhn, Mikayla Elisabeth
O'Sullivan, Siobhan Caitlin
Ouellette, Nicholas Ryan
Rich, Victoria Rose
Rogers, Spencer Michael
Sabovic, Fatima
Sample, Bryan Wallace
Sisti, Joseph Michael
Sonski, Michael Peter
Wilson, Katharine Laine
Yantosh, Grace Catherine
Yepes, Briana Lyn
Zanelli, Jared Alan

GRADE 11 ~ HONORS


Callender, Trey Robert
Carini, Benjamin T
Danaher, Nicholas John
Fisher, Rebecca Ashley
Fleig, Evan James
Formica, Joseph Celestino
Gagliardi, Alyssa Ruth-Elyana
Gallant, Devin Elise
Giulini, Kevin Michael
Gyrog, Catalina Grace
Hill, Andrew Warner
Lamb, Tara Anne
Laudano, Garrison John
Lentz, Crystal Marie
LiDonni, Kaylie Nicole
Luneau, Nicholas Avery
Luneau, Timothy Owen
Mallon, Dmytri
Marinero, Tea' Francesca
Melgar, Steven R.
Morman, Brooke Frances
Morrell, Maranda Elizabeth
Pattavina, Lillian Rose
Pavlou, Jason William
Phelps, Haley Margaret
Regan, Seth Kyle
Reinhardt, Lauryn
Rosa, Carmelo John
Talbot, Maisy Alanah
Uzwiak, Christian Jeffrey
West, Brian Thomas
Williams, Damaris Victoria
Wyzykowski, Gabriella Dorothea
Zupan, Alexandra Elizabeth

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Antonelli, Elizabeth Rose
Bernier, Brandon William
Blair, Alexander J
Byrum, Cody Alexander
Criscuolo, Mai-Ly Minh
Dattilo, Julia
DelVecchio, Rachel Elizabeth
Duffield, Jessica Elizabeth
Fialkoff, Spencer F.
Garrelts, Christopher Matthew
Grasso, Ashley Kate
Guarino, Sofia Rose
Hall, Kaitlin Elizabeth
Hiatt, Kayla Marie
Houde, Jackson David
Huebner, Etienne TC
Lenois, Violet Rose
Lewis, Kedarjah
Martino, Charles Matthew
McGlynn, Ella Rose
Murray, Hunter James
Nielsen, Brett William
Perras, Marc Brendan
Revis, Malone Jacob Lee
Scarpa, Ronald John
Sodergren, Audrey Mae
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Civiello, Caden Emmanuel
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McCarthy, James Walker
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Miller, Jaden Rose
Norman, Grayson William
Rankin, Emily Gail
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Reddy, Leeward
Reinhardt, Sage Jillian
Sample, Avery Amelia
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Seeing Red-

We are getting to that time of year when the red eyes are out! When associated with sneezing or discharges, it usually something that is a momentary attack of allergies or a dip in the not fully chlorinated swimming pool, a quick trip to the doctor is in order. But, because this symptom can be severe it takes a doctor to make that differential diagnosis. Many of the most serious occurrences of red eye do not have a discharge, and typically the presence of a discharge is more an indication of conjunctivitis, which is not life threatening.

Some serious Red Eye Conditions-

- 1) **Corneal Ulcers-** most commonly occurs in patients who sleep overnight with their contact lenses, but not necessarily. Patients present with blurred vision, pain, and sensitivity to light.
- 2) **Herpetic Eye-** This occurs mainly in patients with a history of cold sores, lid vesicles, or in patients on immunosuppressant therapy. The doctor will inquire as to presence of symptoms prior to red eye forming, such as pain, numbness or tingling of the eye.
- 3) **Acute Angle Closure-** This is a very severe condition that results in very high intra-ocular pressure, which has potential to threaten vision. You might notice that eye feels hard when pressing against it with lid closed.

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ADULT PROGRAMS

Bluegrass with Jeff Blaney

Wednesday, July 17th 6:30 p.m.

Our outdoor concerts are back for the summer. Bring your chair and a picnic dinner to enjoy some bluegrass. As a genuine modern day troubadour, Hartford native, Jeff Blaney returns to his Connecticut roots after years on the Nashville music scene. A singer, songwriter and multi-instrumentalist, Jeff Blaney has diverse influences such as bluegrass, country and blues, jazz and classical music.

"Jeff Blaney is a hidden treasure in a sea of musicians in the Nashville scene" says Sarah Bourque of Show The Show. This concert will be held outside weather permitting, if not join us inside for an evening of music.

String Art

Wednesday, July 17, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Create a piece of dimensional art to give your walls a pop! Come learn the retro craft of string art. We will teach you how to create the outline with hammer and nails and then weave embroidery floss to fill it in. All supplies will be provided. This is a buddy program: parents and grandparents, older siblings, and caregivers work paired to help younger learners (ages 8 and up) complete the craft. Please note that space is limited for this program and registration is required. Please sign up via www.brainerdlibrary.org or call us at 860-345-2204.

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.

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.

Music with Margie

Margie takes a break for the summer but will return in September. Stay tuned!

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. Tuba Kelly brings a different musical instrument each week. Get ready to hear the guitar, saxophone, trombone and, of course, her signature tuba! In July, Toddler Tunes will meet every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. Appropriate for children ages 1 to 3, but siblings are always welcome.

LEGO™ Club

Like playing with Legos? Come build with us! Each month will feature one unique theme and one free build. Lego creations will be put on display until the next session. Lego Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of every month from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. Appropriate for children ages 5 and up.

Puzzle Club

NEW PROGRAM! Come put your skills to the test with challenges such as tangrams, pentominoes, and word puzzles. Stimulate your brain, sharpen your problem-solving skills, and learn effective strategies to impress your friends in Tetris. Puzzle club meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Appropriate for ages 8 -12.

String Art

Create an original piece of dimensional art to give your walls a pop! On Wednesday, July 17th from 1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., come learn the retro craft of string art. We will teach you how to create the outline with hammer and nails and then weave embroidery floss to fill it in. All supplies will be provided. This is a buddy program: parents and grandparents, older siblings, and caregivers work paired to help younger learners (ages 8 and up) complete the craft. Please note that space is limited for this program and registration is required. Please sign up via www.brainerdlibrary.org or call us at 860-345-2204.

Tuba Kelly's Space Spectacular Concert

On Wednesday, July 24th at 6 p.m. join Tuba Kelly

for an evening of exciting space adventures! We'll embark on a musical journey through the solar system and explore the planets through the sounds of different instruments, including tuba, saxophone, trombone, and more. Come learn about everything from our Sun to Neptune, with a potential guest appearance from everyone's favorite dwarf planet, Pluto. Audience members are welcome to look at and touch the instruments at the end of the program. All ages welcome.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Advisory Board

What can your library do for you? Join BML's Teen Advisory Board to find out! 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.

Summer Activities- A Universe of Stories

Don't forget to stop in the NEW Teen Lounge, downstairs off the Community Room this summer for activities and crafts based on our Summer Reading Theme- "A Universe of Stories"! Check our website and social media for the most up to date info.

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July events at the Buttonwood Tree

By Anne-Marie Cannata McEwen, Executive Director, The Buttonwood Tree

Buttonwood Tree July Art Show

“Barbara Newton Hahn: A Retrospective”

July 3rd-July 31st (Free)

This month's gallery features a retrospective exhibit of oils on canvas by self-taught local artist Barbara Hahn, formerly of Portland, CT. The show is created by Tom Hahn, a long-time volunteer of the Buttonwood Tree, and his siblings to honor their mother's work created over five decades from landscapes to portraits, depicting true-life events.

Story City Troupe

July 5, 8-10 pm, \$10

Story City Troupe uses The Moth Formula: all are true, personal stories, often funny, sometimes amazing, poignant or ironic and based on a single theme for the evening. The troupe members range in age from their 20's to their 70's, proving you can come up with a good story at any age. This group is led by Sue Huggans and welcomes new members. New topics every month.

Letitia VanSant

July 6, 8-10 pm, \$15

From sparse indie folk ballads to hard-hitting Americana anthems, Letitia VanSant's distinctly intimate voice delivers songs that are both deeply personal and politically relevant. She is a finalist for the 2019 Baker Artist Awards and listeners of 89.7 WTMD voted one of her songs among the top 10 of the year.

Hahn Family Art Reception

July 7, 2-4 pm

Barbara Newton Hahn (b. 1925 – 2014, USA) originally from West Hartford, Connecticut was a 55-

year resident of Portland, CT. Her paintings have the feel of impressionism with an interplay of color and texture within a realistic framework. The Buttonwood Tree's exhibit Barbara Newton Hahn, A RETROSPECTIVE on July 3 – July 31, 2019 honors the painters' life's work. Exhibit organized by Thomas Hahn of Middletown, CT. Paintings courtesy of the children of Barbara Hahn.

After The Fall

July 12, 8-10 pm, \$10

If you like long tracks with wonderful vocals and lyrics, tasty and muscular guitar work, lots of vintage keyboards, sinewy bass playing and complex, nimble drum work, AFTER THE FALL is definitely the band for you. Their modern progressive style is predominantly art rock but combines elements of symphonic and neo with a tinge of prog metal yet pays homage to the greats of the past.

Teen Visual Art Camp

July 13, 9:00-10:30am, Free

Thanks to a grant from the Middletown Commission on the Arts, The Buttonwood Tree is able to offer a free arts program for TEENS this summer. Teens sign up if interested – we will make the date accessible Monday, July 15, 1 pm – subject to change due to sign ups – if interested in the program – PLEASE let us know. This will feature a class in WATERCOLORS and DIY Framing (offered by Middletown Framing).

Lara Herscovitch & the Highway Philosophers

July 13, 7:30pm-9:30pm, \$20 (door)

“Pure musical poetry” (The Courier), Lara Herscovitch's music is an original blend of modern folk with blues, jazz & pop influences. With a voice “clear and smooth like expensive liquor” (Northeast Performer). Former Connecticut State Troubadour, Lara brings a charm, authenticity, and love of performing that resonates with diverse audiences. Admission for students is \$14 and in advance admission is \$17.

Crystal Bowl Sound Healing w/ Lou Sorrentino

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Shaking the Tree – Gong and Sound Meditation

July 18, 7-9 pm, (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.

Indigo Soul

July 19, 8-10 pm, \$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.

Teen Open Mic

July 20, 3-5 pm, \$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 and Middletown's MCA. Caroline Sechrist hosts.

Joe White & Friends

July 20, 8-10 pm, \$20

Joseph White is a composer and performer based in New York City. Joseph has served as guitarist, vocalist, and keyboardist for various experimental bands and ensembles in NYC, and has performed songs and electronic music in the streets and parks of Quito, Ecuador, and Mexico City. He will be joined by experimental musicians Gelsey Bell and Paul Pinto.

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July events at the Buttonwood Tree

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Middlesex Drum Circle

July 25, 7-9 pm (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.

Epic Order Band

July 26, 8-10 pm, \$10

Music is the language of our souls – Epic Order! a three-member band of extraordinary abilities. Their individual and unique style sets them apart. Epic Order Band has been in the reggae industry for years, playing for top names like Damian Marley, Chaka Demus and Pliers, Jah Cure, Toots, and many others.

Badslax Jazz

July 27, 8-10 pm, \$12

BadSlax brings diverse players together for sound that's always funky, swinging, or somewhere in between. One of the area's premier jazz quartets, their eclectic repertoire runs a wide gamut from vintage gems by Monk, Mingus, to modern classics by Scofield, Metheny, as well some cookin' originals by guitarist, Dave.

Other Repeating Events

Anything Goes Open Mic and Moments of Gratitude

Mondays, 7-10 pm, \$5

Sign up opens at 6:30pm, and the open mic starts at 7:00pm. From 8:00pm-8:15pm, we host Moments of Gratitude: Sharing our gratitude to build positive energy and encouragement! PIZZA included in ad-

mission.

Laughter Yoga

Tuesdays, 6-7 pm (Hosted by Myléne on 1st Tuesdays; Dawn on 3rd Tuesdays)

Laughter Yoga enables you to practice laughing so that when life gets difficult, you can laugh and change your state of mind. It involves child-like play with meditation and breathing exercises. Laughter has proven to decrease anxiety, blood pressure, and stress. Anyone can laugh without relying on humor. Laughter Yoga is the only technique that allows adults to achieve sustained hearty laughter without involving cognitive thought. This powerful experience often leads to a healthy emotional catharsis and a feeling of release and joyfulness that can last for days.

Aligned with Source "Personal Development Workshop"

Saturdays, 10:30am-12pm, \$10 Suggested donation

Explore simple concepts of living in awareness that: open you up to the wonders of life; discover who you are; let go of fear and all that keeps you stuck. You create your reality and as co-creator of this world, find out how you can bring to it and you, peace, harmony, health and abundance. Each session ends in a powerful guided meditation. New topics every week.

Saturday July 6: Open Questions

Saturday July 13: Through Kindness. Beyond Self

Saturday July 20: Walking the Golden Path

Saturday July 27: Tapping into Higher Frequencies

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Haddam Scholarship Fund announces 2019 award winners

The Board of Directors and Selection Committee of the Haddam Scholarship Fund, Inc. are very proud to announce this year's winners of our awards. They are Connor Chute, Sierra Statkewicz, Caleigh Beecher, Quincy Platt, Zachary Marciniac, and Daniel Martone. Troy Botteon was the recipient of the Gary Courtright Award. These scholarship awards are available to residents of Haddam, Higganum, and Haddam Neck continuing their education after graduation from Haddam Killingworth High School, Xavier High School, Mercy High School, and Vinal Technical High School.

The Haddam Scholarship Fund, Inc. also awarded the John Bertolini Memorial Scholarship to Sierra Statkewicz and Dr. Kate Mead Award to Sadie Strom. Our awards are based upon the applicant's scholastic standing, financial need, contributions to the school and community activities as well as citizenship.

Thank you for your continued support which allows us the opportunity to help our Haddam graduates further their education. We welcome your donations to The Haddam Scholarship Fund, Inc., PO Box 177, Higganum CT 06441; should you wish to honor someone with a memorial gift, a check may be sent at any time throughout the year to the above address. All donations to the Fund are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. Congratulations to the Class of 2019!

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Haddam News will print free classified ads for individuals and non-profit organizations.

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July activities and events

By Shannon Morrison Buganski,
Director, Haddam Senior Center

Summer Schedule:

As of June 1, 2019 the Senior Center has returned to a 3 day/week schedule for the summertime. Meals through the Elderly Nutrition program will only be served when the center is open. Hours are as follows:

Monday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Tuesday: CLOSED (with exception to afternoon Tai Chi courses)

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Thursday: CLOSED

Friday: 9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Fun in the Summer Sun

After a long, rain-filled spring, who isn't excited to feel the heat of the summer sun?! We encourage you to get out there and enjoy it, but while having fun in the sun, keep these summer safety tips in mind:

Stay Hydrated– Drink up and don't wait until you feel thirsty to do so; your body won't always let you know when it's time to rehydrate. As a general rule of thumb, it is suggested that you drink a minimum of 8 eight ounce glasses of water a day. Thirst quenchers such as Gatorade provide health benefits as well. Avoid drinks containing caffeine or alcohol.

Beat the Heat– Don't overdo it with outdoor activities on excessively hot days. Considering spending a couple of hours outdoors in the morning or evening hours, but find indoor activities to enjoy mid-day when the sun is at its hottest. Hit the library for some good books, walk the mall, catch a movie, and enjoy the a/c. If you find yourself overheating, cool off with a luke warm shower, or place cool, wet washcloths on your wrists, ankles, and/or neck.

Stay Protected– Limit direct sun exposure. Keep sunscreen handy, and don't be shy to reapply! Accessorize with hats and shades for added protection from the summer sun.

Be Aware– Don't underestimate the sun's effects on your health. Know the warning signs of heat related illnesses (i.e. dehydration, heatstroke, heat exhaustion). Dizziness, confusion, headaches, and nausea are all symptoms to be aware of. Don't forget to check the side effects of any prescriptions as some are known to create higher sensitivity to the sun.

Follow these summer safety tips to maximize your fun in the summer sun! Enjoy!

Regularly Scheduled Programming/Activities:

Weekly Tai Chi Classes: Do you want to improve your balance, loosen joints, tone muscles, and promote your overall well-being? Tai Chi will do just that! Class schedule as follows: Tai Chi (for Seniors) – Tuesdays @ 1:30 p.m. (\$6/class)

Tai Chi (for Adults) – Tuesdays @ 3:00 p.m. (\$15/class)

Modified Tai Chi – Wednesdays @ 11:00 a.m. (\$6/class)

*check The Senior Scoop summer newsletter for class savings

"Sit & Be Fit" Fitness: We've recently introduced a series of seated workout videos to our monthly activities. Come try out our "Sit & Be Fit" DVD series. These exercises are designed to improve core strength, flexibility, balance, coordination and circulation. There is no instructor, no pressure, and no cost. Guaranteed to make you feel good and put a smile on your face! Held Fridays at 10:00am.

Musical Groups: The Haddam Senior Center has a couple of opportunities for music lovers to play, sing, and just make some noise!

Our ukulele group (formerly the "Ukuladies") meets Monday mornings at 9:30am. All are welcomed, men and women, beginners or skilled players. It's not a hard instrument to learn- learn to play two or three chords and you'll be impressed with how many

songs you can play! Great opportunity to sing along while you learn. For more info please call 860-345-4474.

The "Silver Threads" Recorder Group is a small group with big sound. It's not the recorders you remember from elementary school! Check out a practice and give this woodwind instrument a try. This group meets Wednesday mornings at 9:30am. Please see Alma Zyko for more info.

Please note that both groups graciously welcome new members. They even have instruments to share for first-timers. Don't be shy, come give it a try!

Needlework Club: This club will continue to meet on select Mondays throughout the summer months. Join us as we share ideas, patterns, company and conversation. Anything goes! Bring your project from home, or we'll give you the supplies to get you started.

*We have Patriotic Flag String Art kits available. Though it's not needlework per se, it's a great way to be involved in this club, especially since we've learned that this craft requires a bit more time than a typical craft activity. Reserve your kit today as kits are limited!

Activity Highlights:

NEW!! Introducing Mahjong for Beginners: Of Chinese origin, this game is popular among senior centers worldwide. Players must collect combinations of tiles, ultimately to get all of their tiles into sets, or melds. **Beginners Play on:** Wednesday, July 10, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m.; Wednesday, July 31st

Monthly Craft – "Recycled Bottle Bird Feeders": Join us on Friday, July 12th @ 10:30 a.m. Note this craft will continue after lunch as the project will require some drying time. Please sign up at the Senior Center in advance.

William Berloni Theatrical Animals presents "Broadway Tails": Monday, July 15th @ 1:00 p.m.

William Berloni Theatrical Animals has trained animals of all species and sizes, found in shelters and humane societies, for Broadway, off-Broadway, motion pictures, television and commercials. Join us as Bill presents on his professional experiences, and have the opportunity to meet some of his pup-ils!

FIELD TRIP: Submarine Force Museum & Lunch @ Abbott's Lobster in the Rough: Thursday, July 18, 2019

The Submarine Force Museum, located on the Thames River in Groton, boasts the world's finest collection of submarine artifacts, and is also home to the historic ship Nautilus. Admission is free. Visitors may enjoy a self-guided tour of the museum, visit the library, catch a short film, visit the gift shop, and tour the Nautilus submarine (note: visitors with certain physical limitation may not be able to tour the ship). Following our short visit to the museum, we'll enjoy lunch at Abbott's Lobster in the Rough (Noank, CT) for its water views and fresh, mouth-watering seafood. **DEPARTURE:** 9:15 a.m./ **EST. RETURN:** 1:15-2:00 p.m.

A \$5.00 fee is collected to reserve your spot and will be returned to attendees the day of the trip. Space is limited so reserve early! If you need to be picked up and dropped off, please advise when registering. Register with Shannon at the Senior Center.

Pizza & A Movie "The Upside" (PG-13): Friday, July 26, 2019 @ 12:00 p.m.

(2019) Based on a true story, this comedic drama is about two strangers who form one unlikely friendship, as an ex-con is hired to care for an affluent quadriplegic. Starring Kevin Hart, Bryan Cranston, and Nicole Kidman.

Suggested donation of \$3.00/pp. In lieu of CRT lunch.

Craft: Beaded Bracelets with Judy: Wednesday, July 24, 2019 @ 1:00 p.m.

Please sign up at the Senior Center in advance.

AARP Driver Safety Course: Tuesday, July 30, 2019 @ 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

Instructor: Donna Dupuis; **Fee:** \$15.00 for AARP members and \$20.00 for non-members. Please call (860)345-2480 for more info or to register. Fees are requested at the time of registration.

You may qualify for an insurance discount. Check with your agent today!

Make sure you check out our monthly activity calendar and our quarterly newsletter The Senior Scoop. Pick up your copy at the Senior Center or visit us online at www.haddam.org (Departments} Seniors). As always, we encourage you to check in at the Senior Center regularly for updates and additions to programming, as well as to sign up for special events.

Elderly 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; however, no senior will be denied a meal if they are unable to pay. To participate in the nutrition program, you must be 60+ and have a current Consumer Registration Form (Form 5) on file. Meal reservations should be called in to the Center's main phone line, or you may sign up at the Center in advance. Registering early will guarantee your meal, as we are not always able to accommodate last-minute requests. Please note that the nutrition program will be modified for the summer months, beginning June 1st through August 31st. Meals will be served only when the Center is open (Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays); therefore all meal requests must be made a minimum of 48 hours in advance.

Meals on Wheels: Homebound seniors can receive healthy meals delivered right to their door. If you are interested in learning more about this program or you believe you may be eligible, please contact the Senior Center or the Social Services office.

Senior Van Transportation

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. In addition to weekly shopping trips, the service provides door to door transportation to medical appointments. Please note that we have expanded our services to include transportation beyond Middlesex County.

For more information or to schedule a ride, please call Jessica Condil at the Social Services Office (860-345-4621). Rides must be booked no later than Friday the week prior, though keep in mind that availability is first-come, first-served, so we encourage you to call well in advance. Last minute cancellations, please call 860-682-3301.

Volunteers Needed

Tax-Aide Volunteers Needed Now!!!

We are so close to becoming a satellite site for the AARP Foundation Tax Aide Program. Unfortunately, due to lack of volunteers, we weren't quite able to get the program up and running this year, though we do hope to make it available to our seniors in 2020. If you think you might be interested in becoming a tax-aide volunteer, please don't wait. Note that AARP trains all program volunteers- no previous experience required.

We always have a need for volunteers. Whether you have a gift you'd like to share or even a little time to spare, we welcome it all! Stop by the Senior Center to complete a Volunteer Information Form which will help us identify your interests and availability. Thank you for your consideration!

Haddam, Killingworth students graduate, earn honors

SMITHFIELD, RI (06/27/2019)– Bryant University is committed to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence. The University is pleased to recognize the students who have been named to the Deans' List for the spring 2019 semester. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement!

Ethan Gromala, class of 2022, from Killingworth, CT
Cade Webster, class of 2019, from Killingworth, CT

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WATERVILLE, ME (06/26/2019)– Annelise E. Walsh of Killingworth was recently named to the highly selective Dean's List at Colby College in Waterville, Maine, for outstanding academic achievement during the spring semester of the 2018-19 academic year. Walsh is one of 443 Colby students-or 23 percent of the qualified student body-to have earned a spot on the Dean's List last semester.

Walsh, a member of the Class of 2020, attended Haddam Killingworth High School and is the daughter of Sean and Diane Walsh of Killingworth, Conn. Walsh earned a semester grade point average of 3.78 or higher this spring to be included on Colby's Dean's List.

WILLIMANTIC, CT (06/24/2019)– Eastern Connecticut State University's economics department held its annual Omicron Delta Epsilon International Honor Society for Economics induction on April 17.

Among the inductees were:

Elizabeth Forsythe '20 of Killingworth, who majors in Accounting. Omicron Delta Epsilon is one of the world's largest academic honor societies. It was established in 1963 through the merger of two honor societies, Omicron Delta Gamma and Omicron Chi Epsilon. The objectives of Omicron Delta Epsilon is to recognize outstanding scholastic achievements in

economics. Today, Omicron Delta Epsilon has more than 696 chapters around the world. To qualify for Omicron Delta Epsilon, students must have at least a 3.25 GPA in economic courses and an overall GPA of 3.25

EAST HARTFORD, CT (06/24/2019)– Goodwin College announces that 992 students achieved Dean's List status for the Spring 2019 session.

Brendan Donnelly of Haddam
Kaitlin Hickey of Haddam
Elizabeth Kavanaugh of Killingworth

EAST HARTFORD, CT (06/24/2019)– The following students earned a place on Goodwin College's President's List for the Spring 2019 Session. The Spring 2019 President's List includes 353 students, all of whom scored a perfect 4.0 GPA.

Kaitlin Hickey of Haddam, CT

Goodwin College is a nonprofit institution of higher learning located on the Connecticut River in East Hartford, Connecticut. The college specializes in extending educational access to underserved groups, including minority and first-generation college students, and offers career-focused degree programs designed to promote workforce readiness. For more information, please visit www.goodwin.edu.

DURHAM, NH (06/24/2019)– The following students have been named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire for the spring 2019 semester.

Jessica Kasper of Killingworth, CT earning High Honors

Emily Roth of Killingworth, CT earning Highest Honors

Maura Dooley of Killingworth, CT earning High Honors

Darren Chon of Higganum, CT earning High Honors

Students named to the Dean's List at the University of New Hampshire are students who have earned recognition through their superior scholastic performance during a semester enrolled in a full-time course load (12 or more graded credits). Highest honors are awarded to students who earn a semester grade point average of 3.85 or better out of a possible 4.0. Students with a 3.65 to 3.84 average are awarded high honors and students whose grade point average is 3.5 through 3.64 are awarded honors.

WEST HARTFORD, CT (06/24/2019)– The University of Hartford is pleased to announce the following students have been named to the Dean's List for Spring 2019.

Taylor Herrington of Higganum
Hattie Hall of Killingworth
Clayton Moore of Killingworth
Tyler Saari of Killingworth

Spread across seven dynamic schools and colleges, the University of Hartford has been guiding the purpose and passion of students for over six decades. On our 350-acre campus alongside Connecticut's capital city, approximately 5,000 undergraduate and 1,500 graduate students from 48 states and countries come together for a common purpose: to collaborate across different disciplines, diversify perspectives, and broaden worldviews. We're a four-year private university focused on advancing the public good through meaningful connections within our communities. Our unique approach to comprehensive education gives us the critical perspectives that lead to impactful change, regionally and beyond. With degree programs spanning the arts, humanities, business, engineering and technology, education, and health professions, we focus on doing the work that matters. Visit www.hartford.edu for more information.

WORCESTER, MA (06/24/2019)– Melissa Mau, of Haddam, graduated with a Associate Degree in Veterinary Science, Animal Care Concentration from Becker College.

Becker College is an undergraduate and graduate, career-focused private college, providing a supportive and inclusive learning community that prepares graduates for their first to last careers. Nearly 1,800 students from the United States and around the world live and learn on the College's Worcester and Leicester campuses. With nationally recognized programs in nursing, game design and animal studies, Becker has been consistently ranked as a "Best College" for undergraduate education by The Princeton Review.

ITHACA, NY (06/20/2019)– Ithaca College congratulates all May 2019 graduates.

Caleb Laubacher of Haddam graduated with a BS in Television-Radio.

Mirelle Tinker of Higganum graduated Summa cum Laude with a BS in Television-Radio.

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Agendas and anti-agenda toddlers

In watching my son develop into his own person, I realize that toddlers are the most anti-agenda being on this planet (except perhaps for dogs). What I mean by this is young children are averse to their millennial parents' approach to life which is to overthink the meaning of people's words and intentions; underestimate the importance of individual freedom and autonomy; and hyper-curate one's image on social media for personal indulgence and others' consumption.

Toddlers are allergic to agendas – political or otherwise. All toddlers want to do is love, be loved, imagine, play and laugh – without regard for cultural censorship programming (hate speech laws, I'm looking at you), communist yearnings for an all-knowing state (Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, I'm looking at you) or the number of likes one's Facebook profile photo receives (millennial peers, I'm looking at us). I take each point in turn.

Overthinking the meaning of people's words and intentions

Millennials enjoy parsing one's intent the way a grammarian parses syntax. This can be both a desirable and an undesirable trait. On the one hand, understanding someone's intent motivating words or actions is valuable if the objective is to discern truth and genuineness. On the other hand, plumbing the depths of someone's words or behaviors in order to achieve a moment of: "Gotcha! You're racist, sexist, and bigoted because of all of the micro-aggression-y things-you're-engaging-in-even-though-you-weren't-even-aware-of-it-but-now-you're-being-tried-in-the-court-of-political-correctness."

If a male cashier at a grocery store says to me "Have a great day, miss!" choose the correct answer below for how a millennial-in-good-standing ought proceed: a) excoriate him for using the sexist designation "miss"; b) stipulate that he should have used the term "Ms."; c) inform him that the phrase "Have a great day, miss!" is in command form and therefore has an embedded power imbalance, especially because the speaker is male and the addressee is female (as savvy millennials know, gender is a marker of inherent inequality); d) all of the above. Did you choose your answer? Ding! Ding! It is: d) all of the above. Millennials are sensitive to dynamics of power and inequality. We must rid language of their oppressive invocations – including "have a great day."

Now, from the anti-agenda viewpoint of a toddler, the above scenario is ridiculous (worth ridicul-

ing). A toddler would just say "hi" or "bye bye" and be happy that there are other friendly, kind people in this world who wish others a "good day."

Underestimating the importance of individual freedom & autonomy

Political luminaries of my generation include new kids on the block such as Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez. A Congresswoman representing New York's 14th congressional district, Ocasio-Cortez preaches the communist gospel with conviction and spirit. How could an educated individual, born and raised in the land of the free such as she, find appealing a political dogma that is at its core anti-freedom, anti-individual? How could a college-graduate, United States political office-holder subscribe to a doctrine that survives if and only if individual freedom, autonomy/self-agency, and familial ties are subsumed and consumed by the STATE.

Now, from the anti-agenda viewpoint of a toddler, investing in communism would be like pooling his toys together, giving them to the MAMA and PAPA, saying "here, PARENTS, tell me which of these toys to use (that are no longer mine), how to use these toys (that are no longer mine), and when I need to give these toys (that are no longer mine) back to the STORE for reintegration into the broader pool of TOYS.

The situation just described would not make sense to the toddler. Nor should it make sense to a millennial adult – or any other adult.

But the communist agenda demands exactly that:

HVFCo. AUXILIARY

HVFC Auxiliary announces 2019 scholarship recipients

By Betty Cernan

Members of the Haddam Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary are pleased to announce that Sierra Statkiewicz was recently awarded the Auxiliary's \$500 scholarship. Sierra graduated from Haddam-Killingworth High School in June and will attend the Simmons School of Nursing in Massachusetts this fall. She is a member of the Junior Fire Department and the daughter of John Statkiewicz of Higganum.

A check was also presented to Nicholas Ouellette of Higganum to be used towards his education. Nick graduated from Haddam-Killingworth High School in June and plans to attend Roger Williams University in Rhode Island to study Engineering. He is the son of Michele Ouellette, an Auxiliary member, and the late Steven Ouellette, who was an active HVFC member.

give your personhood, freedom, autonomy, family, faith, possessions away...to a state that is designed to fail you at every turn.

Hyper-curating/sanitizing one's image on social media

Millennials like constructing impeccable images of themselves and their families on social media – the way they appreciate a well-crafted micro-brew.

Now, from the anti-agenda viewpoint of a toddler, anxieties over one's social media status are much ado about nothing. A toddler may think (in toddler-speak, of course) "Why agonize over who is going to click "like" for the family photo you just posted, Mommy, when what you really should be focusing on is how much I love you." Perhaps we as millennials would do well to spend more energy loving our children in the real world, rather than concerning ourselves with social media metrics of virtual world likes and shares.

On these summer evenings, when my toddler and I take our nightly walks to look at the stars, gaze at the moon, spy the fireflies and hear the barred owls, I am reminded at how free, self-defining, imaginative, and playful this little being is standing (or running) beside me. For this is what individual freedom and autonomy are all about - not having an agenda, not over-thinking, not overly preening one's image.

My toddler's way of being is simple. It is sans agenda. It is this: Go outside. Watch the fireflies. Talk to the owls. More importantly, just be.

*Peterson is Composition Editor of Haddam News.

OBITUARIES

Pauline Virginia (Lampron) (St. Cyr) Weber

According to Legacy.com and The Hartford Courant, Pauline Virginia (Lampron) (St. Cyr) Weber, age 86, passed away on Thursday, June 20, 2019.

Nicholas M. Proto

According to Legacy.com and The Middletown Press, Nicholas M. Proto, age 18 of Higganum, passed away on Saturday June 22, 2019.

Gerald Scott Linsenbigler

According to Legacy.com and The Hartford Courant, Gerald Scott Linsenbigler, Jr. age 60 of Higganum, passed away on Sunday, June 23, 2019.

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Rollover at park kills HKHS graduate, hospitalizes 4 more

According to multiple news outlets, on June 22, 2019, at approximately 7:10 p.m., DEEP Police were called to Hammonasset State Park in Madison upon getting reports of a motor vehi-

cle accident. A single SUV had rolled over between the rotary and the ticket booth in the outbound lane. Six people were in the vehicle; two were ejected during the crash, police said. Nicholas

Proto, age 18, of Haddam, who just graduated from HKHS on June 11, was pronounced dead at Yale-New Haven Hospital. The driver and three of the passengers were transported to area

hospitals. The park was closed on Saturday night as crews investigated and reopened this morning. The investigation is ongoing.

LEGAL NOTICES

PLANNING AND ZONING NOTICE OF DECISION

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut made the following decisions at their June 20th, 2019 meeting:

- 1.) Approved Zoning Code text amendment to expand Section 5.6 Prohibited Uses, as amended. Applicant Planning and Zoning Commission. Effective date – July 15th, 2019
- 2.) Approved Zoning Code text amendment to establish Section 15A – Reasonable Consideration for the Protection of Historic Factors. Applicant Planning and Zoning Commission. Effective date – July 15th, 2019
- 3.) Approved Zoning Code text amendment to establish Section 15B – Special Permit for Adaptive Historic Re-use, as amended. Applicant Planning and Zoning Commission. Effective date – July 15th, 2019

The text of the approved amendments is on file in the Town Clerks Office and the Land Use Office.

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

HADDAM LEGAL NOTICE

Legal Notice is hereby given to the Taxpayers of the Town of Haddam. A Tax levy of 31.69 mils on the dollar was laid on the 2018 Grand List. The first installment will become due July 1, 2019. If payment is not received on or before August 1, 2019 they are subject to an interest rate of 18% per annum or 1.5% per month or any fraction of a month from the due date. A minimum interest charge of \$2.00 will apply to all delinquent taxes. The tax becomes delinquent and interest will be charged as of August 2, 2019. Please visit our website Haddam.org for more details. Payments will be received at the Tax Office located in the Town Office Building located at 30 Field Park Drive Haddam, CT 06438. The Haddam Tax Office hours are: Monday through Wednesday 8:30AM to 4PM; Thursday 8:30AM to 6:00PM; Friday 8:30AM to Noon. Call 860-345-8531 X 207 with questions.

Kristin Battistoni C.C.M.C
Haddam Tax Collector

TOWN OF HADDAM DECISION OF THE WETLANDS ENFORCEMENT OFFICER

On June 12, 2019 approved for permit:

Activity in the upland review area for the construction of a Handicap accessible driveway located on 134 Morris Hubbard Rd Higganum, CT and shown on assessor's map #33, assessor's lot # 1-5.

Said application is on file and may be seen in the Land Use Office of the Town Office Building.

James Puska
Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer
Town of Haddam

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that there will be a caucus of all enrolled Republican electors of the Town of Haddam on July 16, 2019 at 7:00 PM at the Town Hall at 30 Field Park Drive, Haddam, Connecticut to endorse candidates for municipal office.

Samuel Crum
Chairman, Haddam Republican Town Committee

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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The train will be departing at 6:30 PM and will return to Eagle Landing by 7:00 PM. You'll be back in time for the tail end of the concert or to grab a bite from one of the many great local eateries such as the Blue Oar or Gelston House! Tickets are \$5 per person and are first come first served at Eagle Landing, while supplies last.

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Middlesex Health continues string of awards

By Amanda Falcone, Public Relations Director, Middlesex Health

Middlesex Hospital, a member of Middlesex Health, is proud to announce that it has earned its fifth consecutive nursing Magnet® designation from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). This means that Middlesex continues to meet the very rigorous standards of clinical nursing excellence set by the ANCC. This is an amazing accomplishment. Less than 20 health organizations worldwide have earned this designation five times.

This distinction exemplifies Middlesex's 20-year commitment to interprofessional collaboration and excellence in patient care. Each Magnet designation

is for four years. Middlesex first earned its designation in 2001 and was the first hospital in Connecticut and the first community hospital in the country to do so. It has earned re-designation from the ANCC ever since.

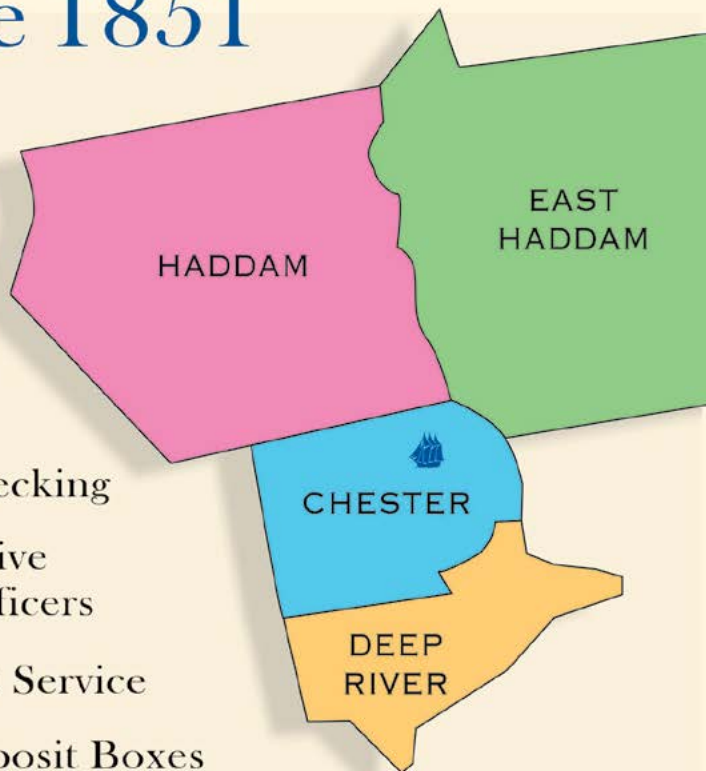
"I am proud of our entire Middlesex Health team," says Middlesex Health President and CEO Vincent G. Capece, Jr. "While this Magnet designation is focused on our nursing professional practice, all of our employees were involved in the Magnet process. Earning this designation demonstrates our entire organization's pursuit of excellence."

The Magnet process included a written application and a site visit, which occurred in February.

Appraisers visited all areas where nurses practice to validate information Middlesex provided in its written application. Appraisers met with physicians, interdisciplinary teams, community members and members of the Middlesex Health Patient Family Advisory Council.

"Every day, Middlesex staff members go above and beyond to ensure that our patients receive the best possible care," says Jackie Calamari, vice president of patient care services and chief nursing officer. "Our Magnet designation is just one of the ways that our organization has distinguished its clinical excellence. It's a testament to the positive difference our staff is making in the communities we serve."

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COMMUNITY TV PROGRAMMING

Valley Shore Community TV Schedule: July 4-10

By Chris Morgan, Public Access Coordinator, Valley Shore Community Television

Comcast Channel 18 – Valley Shore Educational Network

7/6 & 7/7 – 7:00pm Haddam-Killingworth HS Top Ten Students

Comcast Channel 19 – Valley Shore Community Television

7/4 – 1:00pm & 8:00pm UMC of Clinton Sunday Service 6/30/19

7/4 – 5:00pm Old Saybrook Meetings

7/5 – 4:00pm Crack of Dawn

7/5 – 6:00pm Veterans Views in Connecticut

7/6 – 6:00pm Veterans Corner

7/7 – 6:00pm Deep River Town Meetings 6/25/19

7/8 – 7:00pm Looking Back: Margaret Budkridge Bock

7/8 – 8:00pm Poetry of Immigrants

7/8 – 9:00pm Old Saybrook Meetings

7/9 – 6:00pm All Politics is Local: Killingworth

7/9 – 7:00pm Pete Mezzetti Show: Ray Bovich

7/9 – 8:00pm Shoreline Music Monthly: Steve Rogers

7/10 – 5:00pm Haddam Meetings

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