

Haddam honors heroes at Memorial Day parade



Haddam honored its heroes at Monday's Memorial Day parade. Top and far right photos by Olivia Drake. At right, Julia Favalora speaks on "The Cost of Freedom." Photo by Kathy Brown.



By Kathy Brown

It was a beautiful day in Haddam on Monday, May 27, 2019. Veterans, Haddam Volunteer Fire Company & Auxiliary, the Haddam Killingworth High School band, Scouts, Little League, and other sports organizations all marched down Route 81 through Higganum Center to the Higganum Green to pay tribute to Haddam's lost heroes.

After the parade, Rick Annino led the ceremony in front of Haddam's Veteran's Memorial. Rev. Madsen-Bibeau of the Haddam & Higganum Congregational Churches led the crowd in a prayer at the beginning of the ceremony, Julia Favalora, the 8th grade winner of the annual Memorial Day essay writing contest, read her essay, "The Cost of Freedom," and Steve Abbatello, Higganum resident and Navy & Air Force veteran, read his speech. Steve joined the US Navy in 1997 where he served on four aircraft carriers. He then joined the US Air Force Reserves in 2006. He has had six combat deployments overseas, with 22 years of service (and counting). At the end of the ceremony, there was a 21 gun salute, the laying of wreaths, and Taps, played by two members of the HKHS band. It is always moving when they read the list of those we have lost in the various wars around the world. They also read off the names of the veterans who passed away since last Memorial Day. The ceremony ended with a closing prayer by Rev. Madsen-Bibeau. In case you missed it, we publish the speeches as well as pictures.

Julia Favalora – speech
"The Cost of Freedom"

"A field of white. Stones placed in perfect lines. Row after row, after row. I try
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Killingworth Memorial Day parade 2019



It was a beautiful day in Killingworth on Monday, May 27, 2019. The Haddam Killingworth Middle School band marched in the parade, along with veterans, and others. After the parade, the National Anthem was sung by Alyson Somerville, and a ceremony was held. In case you missed it, we publish pictures of the Memorial Day Parade and the ceremony following the parade. Photos courtesy of Clark Judge.

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electricity throughout the region," says Brian Ragozzine, of Eversource.

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important information about how they will be working in your neighborhood:

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Construction will be taking place within the existing right of way (transmission corridor) in Haddam, Deep River, Chester, Essex, and Old Saybrook.

Contact Eversource by email at TransmissionInfo@Eversource.com or call 1-800-793-2202 if you have any questions.

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Eversource expects all work to be complete by the Fall of 2019. In late Fall, crews from Creative Surveying will be working to conduct drone inspections of all existing transmission structures and wire in this right-of-way.

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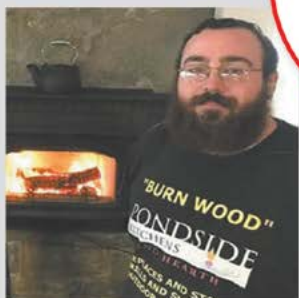


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Higganum Landing now on registry of historic places

By Alessio Gallarotti

The Higganum Landing District was an important New England shipbuilding community between 1752 and 1865. The subtle bend of the Connecticut River at this location created and still creates a natural harbor which was once a center for shipbuilding, trade, and other related activities. Over 150 vessels were built at the Landing and were used in river and coastal trade, as well as international voyages. Ships traveled to the West Indies, Europe, South America, China and participated in the economic growth of the area and nation. A number of these ships were used as warships and played a role in the country's fight for independence. Following construction of the railroad, Higganum's industrial center shifted inland and shipbuilding declined.

The district is architecturally significant because of the buildings constructed during the late 1700s and early-mid 1800s. The period of architectural significance extends from 1768, or the construction date of the earliest house in the district, through 1870, or the date of the establishment of the first railroad. This period saw the greatest amount of homes built at the Landing. "The district's architecture reflects the wave of prosperity during the late eighteenth through mid-nineteenth centuries" says Lisa Malloy, Director of the Haddam Historical Society.

Current residents of Higganum Landing, together with the Haddam Historical Society thought this enclave deserved special recognition because of its historical and architectural significance. So, they worked closely with the Connecticut State Preservation Office to complete the National Register Nomination. The Higganum Landing National Register District stands as a community that developed as a direct result of the shipbuilding and shipping industries along the Connecticut River. The district's architecture reflects the wave of prosperity which began during the late nineteenth century.

The National Register is the Federal Government's official list of the Nation's historic places. The list contains significant sites or places that tell the story of American life. This designation recognizes the significance of Higganum Landing in American history because of its architecture, history, and integrity of location. The district is also associated with events that have made a significant contribution



is the Hazelton-Hayden House on Hayden Hill Road.

The National Register Nomination is an honorific designation and encourages the current owners to continue thoughtful stewardship of the landmark. Historic building owners may donate historic artifacts and qualify for state or federal historic rehabilitation tax credits. They can also receive maintenance assistance and purchase plaques that identify the building's significance. There are no restrictions on a property listed on the National Register, but listing does provide protection from unreasonable

destruction and the like. If you know of or live in a place that you think may qualify for such a designation, listed below are the criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Criteria for listing on the National Register of Historic Places:

The quality of significance in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture is present in districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects that possess integrity of location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, and association, and:

that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history; or

that are associated with the lives of persons significant in our past; or

that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or

that have yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Properties that are less than 50 years of age, or moved or reconstructed buildings are generally not eligible for National Register listing unless exceptional significance can be shown.

If you are interested in the historic sites of Haddam or would like to make a donation to their preservation, contact the Haddam Historical Society at www.haddamhistory.org or 860-345-2400.



Photos courtesy of the Haddam Historical Society.

to the broad patterns of our history, including the American Revolution and the beginnings of international trade. It has now earned the honorific title to the satisfaction of residents and the Haddam Historical Society.

There are two other National Register Districts in Haddam, Conn. They are the Haddam Center Historic District and Camp Bethel Historic District. The only non-district or isolate landmark in Haddam

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Haddam WWI Veteran: Harry Severen Nilsen

By R. Thurston Clark

Harry Severen Nilsen was born May 5, 1890 in Manhattan, on East 22nd Street; two years later he was joined by a sister Ellen Emelia. At about 10 years old he was with his step dad, Otto Nilsen, in Greenpoint, N.Y. This was an area where a lot of Scandia's settled, as well as those involved in seafaring activities. At age 22 we find Harry in Hartford, CT. Otto liked CT also, so he bought a farm in Haddam Neck. That farm would later be Harry's homestead when he returned from the war and married Ruth Dreilick in 1920.

On June 5, 1917, shortly after World War I broke out, he "joined up to go over there" with many of his Hartford buddies. Initially he was part of the Army's 309th Field Artillery, Battery A in New York City, and stationed there through January 29, 1918. Then Corporal Nilsen was shipped overseas to become part of the American Expeditionary Forces / Occupation Forces, that were stationed on the coast at Verdun, France. He was then in the Ordinance Division repairing trucks, tractors and the like, and remained there from July 9, 1918 through March 31, 1919. The war ended in Germany with the signing of the Armistice on November 11, 1918.

When his discharge was imminent, he requested a six month extension to visit the Rhineland and hopefully to locate his friend Nils who was with the Army's 3rd Division there. He managed to get a ride as far as Koblez, Germany and then made out on foot for the last 20 miles to Mayes (Mainz), Germany. Near the end of his journey, he was offered a lift in the sidecar of a motorcycle. It was a wild ride because the driver was in a hurry, and the roads were in poor shape. This forced Harry to keep his eyes closed most of the way to shield them from the wind. He had little



Photo courtesy of R. Thurston Clark.

trouble finding Nils and spent some time with him, including a trip to the Neuschwanstein Castle in Bavaria. There you were allowed to tour that castle, but first had to remove your shoes. For those who don't recognize this castle by name, it was featured in the movie "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang." Toward the end of his extension he returned to his Division in France and was shortly shipped home in September of 1919.

*Harry Severen Nilsen was Thurston Clark's grandfather.

HCL scholarship goes to Connor Chute

By Editorial Staff

The Haddam Civic League Scholarship was established in 2015 to recognize students whose high school career reflects the values of good citizenship, respect and an appreciation of the role communications plays in our society.

The Haddam Civic League is organized and operated for the purpose of collecting and disseminating news and information for the benefit of the citizens of our community through its on-line newspaper, HaddamKillingworth-Now.com. and weekly printed publication, Haddam News. The organization is guided by a sense of impartiality including presentation of opposing views, devoid of conflicts of interest and supported by research.

Any graduating senior who is a resident of Haddam, a member in good standing of his/her student body, a participant in extra-curricular activities and who has performed community service during his/her high school career is eligible for this scholarship. In addition, the student must have participated in one aspect of communications activity in high school, as well as write an article for our newspaper. The scholarship award is for use in the student's pursuit of secondary education in the field of journalism or communications.

For 2019, the Haddam Civic League is pleased to award its scholarship to a deserving senior. The scholarship award is \$1,000.00 and is presented to Connor Chute. The article he wrote can be found on our website.



Connor Chute, recipient of 2019 HCL Scholarship. Photo by Steady Photography.

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, June 6

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 8

Golf Tournament, 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.

The First Congregational Church of Haddam (FCCH) is holding its 7th annual mission golf tournament. Proceeds support our mission and outreach programs that benefit local organizations. It is being held at Quarry Ridge Golf

Course with registration beginning at 11:30 a.m. Entry fee includes lunch, golf, raffle and dinner. Dinner only tickets are also available. For more information, visit haddamchurch.org or call 860-345-2742.

Monday, June 10

Committee on Aging Meeting, 10:00

a.m.

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

Wednesday, June 12

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

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Nutmeg Pharmacy Higganum hosts celebration cookout

By Brian Scott-Smith,
Broadcaster & Media Consultant

Taylor Lemon, of Nutmeg Pharmacy Higganum, celebrates with friends and work colleagues at a cookout last week. Taylor has recently been promoted to Assistant Front Store Manager at Nutmeg's Higganum store.



Left: Taylor with Nutmeg Pharmacy co-workers Alicia and Mark. Center: Taylor being presented with a special promotion cake from the owners of HK Dairy Barn. Right: Customers of Nutmeg Pharmacy Higganum enjoy a hot dog. Photos courtesy of Brian Scott-Smith.

KILLINGWORTH COMMUNITY

KAA 2019 Scholarship Award Winners

By Clark Judge

For the second consecutive year, five Haddam-Killingworth High School seniors have been named recipients of Killingworth Ambulance Association scholarships.

Emily Jennings, Kyra Figuerelli, Brianna Livingston, Brianna Shipman and Mikayla Nuhn were honored Tuesday at Haddam-Killingworth High's 2019 senior awards night, with all but Livingston present for the awards and all but Shipman planning to pursue careers in nursing.

The KAA annually grants scholarships to high-school seniors who reside in Killingworth, have been accepted to a two-or-four-year colleges, plan to major in the medical, emergency services or allied fields and have GPAs of 3.0 or better.

The five honored Tuesday checked all those boxes, and the roll call, please:

EMILY JENNINGS – Emily will attend Rivier University, where the second largest major is nursing. And that's precisely what she intends to pursue. A member of the Haddam-Killingworth volleyball team, she says that during her high-school career she recognized the importance of obtaining a health-care degree in college. And so she will pursue a Bachelor's of Nursing,



Left to right: Mikayla Nuhn, Brianna Shipman, Kyra Figuerelli and Emily Jennings. (Brianna Livingston was not present). Photo by Clark Judge.

with the hope of becoming a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit or Labor-and-Delivery Nurse.

KYRA FIGUERELLI – Kyra is a prospective nursing student who plans to attend SUNY College at Brockport next fall. Kyra completed hours of community service by volunteering at the Killingworth Congregational Church and the town library and with programs within the Haddam-Killingworth Middle and High Schools. A USA Junior Olympic gymnast the past 12 years, Kyra says she was inspired by her mother, who, as an elementary teacher, touched the lives of children. Kyra is hoping she can ... and will ... do the same as a nurse.

BRIANNA LIVINGSTON – Brianna plans on major-

ing in nursing at Mt. St. Joseph, and, like Emily Jennings and Kyra Figuerelli, wants to work with children ... and she knows just how much. That's because she put in over 200 hours of community service in her high-school career, including an internship the past year at the Westbrook ER. It was there, she said, that she decided to pursue pediatric nursing because "it made me excited for the next chapter of my life."

BRIANNA SHIPMAN – The past four years Brianna has been associated with the Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company – which is just across the parking lot from the KAA. In fact, she's president of the Junior Volunteer Fire Company. Following in the footsteps of her father, who's been a volunteer firefighter and EMT for 35 years, Brianna hopes to pursue a career as a firefighter paramedic. She spent over 300 hours volunteering at the Fire Company and is on her way to study at the University of New Haven.

MIKAYLA NUHN – Mikayla also accumulated over 300 hours of community service and plans to major in nursing at Endicott College. That should come as no surprise to anyone who knows her. Hospitalized as a child, Mikayla remembers how patient and compassionate nurses were – saying that they "inspired me not only to go into nursing later in life ... but to aspire to be just like them." Mikayla wants to have the same impact on children, mostly because she said she knows — first-hand — what they're experiencing.

The Killingworth Ambulance Association would like to congratulate all recipients and wish them the best of luck with their careers.

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Summer Camp 2019

By Josselyn Salafia,
Recreation Supervisor, HK Rec Dept.

The HK Rec. Dept. will be conducting Summer Camp / Child Care, weekly beginning June 24 – August 9, 2019 (no camp July 4 or 5) from 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. (rain or shine) at the Haddam Killingworth High School. Participants may register for either Full Day Camp (7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.), Camp Only (9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.), Extended AM (7:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) or Extended PM (9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.). Participants must sign up on a weekly basis. The camp will be held at the Haddam-Killingworth High School Cafeteria Extended AM and PM (7:00 – 8:45 a.m. and 3:45 – 6:00 p.m.). The camp is open to both residents and non-residents. Camp is for children entering grades 1 – 8. Activities include sports, games, arts & crafts, swimming, field trips, special events, and theme weeks. Please call 860-345-8334 for registration information or visit hkrec.com to register on-line.

Weekly themes include:

- Week 1 (6/24– 6/28): Happy Holidays
- Week 2 (7/1 – 7/3, No 7/4, 7/5): Patriotic Week
- Week 3 (7/8 – 7/12): Disney
- Week 4 (7/15 – 7/19): Wacky Water Games
- Week 5 (7/22 – 7/26): Minute To Win It
- Week 6 (7/29 – 8/2): Fabulous Field Day
- Week 7 (8/5 – 8/9): Hip Hop & Hoops

Special Events:

- 7/16 – Burr Playground (Gr. 1-5)
 - 7/17 – Bryson Lang's Cure for the Common Show
 - 7/23 – Rayna's School of Dance (Gr. 1-5)
 - 7/24 – Magic By George
 - 7/30 – Burr Playground (Gr. 1-5)
 - 7/31 – Animal Embassy
 - 8/8 – Hip Hop Dance Workshops with Austin Dailey
 - Wacky Wednesdays & a Monday Funday
 - 6/26 – Halloween Dress-Up & Trick-or-Treat! (wear costumes)
 - 7/1 – Wear Red, White & Blue
 - 7/10 – Disney Character Dress-Up Day!
 - 7/17 – Silly Sunglasses Day
 - 7/24 – Crazy Sock Day
 - 7/31 – Bandana Day
 - 8/7 – Wear a Tie Dye Shirt! (bring in a shirt to dye)
- The fee for Camp Only (9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.) is

\$125 (\$115 for each additional siblings per week). The fee for Extended AM or PM camp is \$155 (\$140 for each additional siblings per week). The fee for Full Day Camp is \$170 (\$155 each additional sibling per week). The fee for the All-Inclusive Seasonal Package (7 weeks of Full Day Camp) is \$1100 (\$1000 each additional sibling). Camp fees include field trip admission and busing and a camper T-shirt to be worn on field trips. Please note – there is a \$25 per week surcharge for Grades 6 – 8 for their extra weekly field trip. Recreation scholarships and special payment plans are available for those who qualify. Non-residents may register for an additional \$10 each week. There are pro-rated fees for the week of July 1 – July 3.

Camp Discovery (Gr. 1 & 2) – For children entering Gr. 1 & 2. Located in the HKHS Cafeteria. There will be a field trip each week on Thursdays unless noted.

Trips include:

- Week 1: Bounce Fun *
- Week 2: Kid City (Tues.)
- Week 3: Ray of Light Farm
- Week 4: Children's Museum (with planetarium & butterfly garden)
- Week 5: Dinosaur Crossings (outdoor adventure with splash pad)
- Week 6: Bushy Hill (farm tour, hiking, swimming)
- Week 7: On-Site End of Camp Party

*need waiver(Bounce Fun Center)

Camp Adventure (Gr. 3, 4, 5) – For children entering Gr. 3 – 5. Located at HK Central Office A-129. There will be a field trip each week on Thursdays unless noted.

Field Trips include:

- Week 1: Silver Lanes Bowling/Laser Tag
- Week 2: Bushy Hill (Low ropes course, swimming) (Wed.)
- Week 3: Quassy
- Week 4: Ocean Beach
- Week 5: Rockin' Jump*
- Week 6: Quassy
- Week 7: On-Site End of Camp Party

*need waiver (Rockin' Jump)

Camp Explorers (Gr. 6, 7 & 8) – Students entering Gr. 6-8 will be located at HK Central Office A-117

& A-119.

There will be two exciting field trips each week on Tuesday & Thursday.

- Week 1: Putters Paradise (Mini-golf, Bumper Boats, Go-Karts & Batting Cages) and Indian River Marina Kayaking*
- Week 2: Silver Lanes Bowling/Laser Tag and Rockin' Jump * (Wed.)
- Week 3: Lake Compounce and Cedar Lake (Fri.)
- Week 4: Marquee Cinemas & Adventure Escape*
- Week 5: Lake Compounce and Ocean Beach
- Week 6: Saybrook Point Mini Golf/Frozen Yogurt and Brownstone Park*
- Ocean Beach and Map & Scavenger Hunt*
- Week 7: Empower Zip-Lining* and On-Site End of Camp Party

*need waiver (Indian River, Rockin' Jump, Adventure Escape, Brownstone, Empower)

LEGAL NOTICES

PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Hearing at the Haddam Town Hall, 21 Field Park Dr., Haddam, CT on June 20th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. to consider the following item(s):

- 1.) Proposed Zoning Code text amendment to expand Section 5.6 Prohibited Uses. Applicant Planning and Zoning Commission.
- 2.) Proposed Zoning Code text amendment to establish Section 15A – Reasonable Consideration for the Protection of Historic Factors. Applicant Planning and Zoning Commission.
- 3.) Proposed Zoning Code text amendment to establish Section 15B – Special Permit for Adaptive Historic Re-use. Applicant Planning and Zoning Commission

The text of the proposed amendments is on file in the Town Clerks Office and the Land Use Office. Applicant - Haddam Planning and Zoning Commission.

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

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Summer fun: upcoming kid's entertainment events

By Josselyn Salafia,
Recreation Supervisor, HK Rec Dept.

The HK Recreation Department has booked some fun shows! Children enrolled in our summer camp that week will be attending the show free of charge. All shows are at the HKHS Field House and are \$4 per person each (tickets sold at the door).

Wednesday, June 17, 2019 1:00 – 1:55 p.m.: Bryson Lang – Cure for the Common Show

Bryson Lang has been working professionally as a comedy-juggler for over 20 years. Through long-term casino show runs, night-clubs, corporate shows, theaters and cruise ships he has combined technical juggling skills, creative physical manipulation and original comedy into a unique and unforgettable act. See a likable, energetic personality performing inventive and clever routines that mix comedy, audience participation, ball spinning, ball bouncing, fire-juggling, well-crafted timing, sharp sickles, huge spinning bouncing rings, giant Beach Balls, improv, glo-in-the-dark objects and always a few surprises. Come see why Bryson is, "The Cure for the Common Show!"

Wednesday, July 24, 2019, 1:00 – 1:45 p.m.: Magic By George

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humor, everyone will leave wanting more. For the young and old alike! Great Show and Great Fun! Visit www.magicbygeorge.com.

Wednesday, July 31, 2019, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m.: Animal Embassy – Nature's Architects

Be amazed by the talents of a diverse group of Animal Ambassadors that build complicated structures. In nature, many creatures contribute to the success of others by building homes and creating places to rear their young. We'll study the architectural feats of nest building, burrow making and web spinning as well as how structures created by some animals help others to survive. We'll explore how we too can help our wild neighbors by building bird boxes and frog ponds. Meet live Animal Ambassadors such as a Red-Foot Tortoise, a Monk Parakeet, a Chilean Rose-Haired Tarantula, a Ferret, an Argentinian Horned Frog, and an African Porcupine. We will also see artifacts & photographs representing one of nature's most prolific builders, the Beaver, along with Bird & Paper Wasp nests. And together, we'll draw parallels with our own lives while exploring how we can build a better world!

Outdoor Family Concert Series

Free Outdoor Summer Concerts sponsored by the HK Recreation Department! Bring a blanket or a chair to enjoy an evening of live entertainment at the Higganum Town Green or Parmelee Farm. Fun for the whole family! An ice cream truck will also be present. The Higganum Market will also be available until 7:00 p.m. Thank you to

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Leaf Jumpers: Friday, July 12, 2019 at Parmelee Farm

Leaf Jumpers play the best of the 90's and 2000's adult rock. Bands like U2, REM, Counting Crows and many others that all ages will love. They have played all over the East Coast from Maine to Georgia on some of the biggest and well known stages. They have also released 3 full length albums and a live album. Visit www.leafjumpers.com.

L & B All-Star Review: Friday, July 19, 2019 at the Higganum Green

L&B All-Star Review is a CT based band made up of a trio of seasoned musicians playing "Rockin' Country and Blues". They feature strong vocals, wailing harmonica and tasty guitar licks. They will get the crowd moving with upbeat, tap-your-feet, clap-your-hands, get-up-and-dance song selections. L&B covers a wide range of music to satisfy a variety of musical tastes. Check out www.LBAllStarReview.com

1974: Friday, July 26, 2019 at Parmelee Farm

1974 is an award-winning rock band

that has been dazzling audiences with rich vocal harmonies, punchy guitar riffs and live performances reminiscent of the classic rock era. On stage, charismatic band personalities meld to create dramatic, high energy shows that are enthralling to watch. Their expansive set lists features artists like Pink Floyd, Boston, Kansas, Rush, Queen, and Styx along with their own massive catalogue of original material. Acclaimed for their powerful sound and distinct imagination, it is no wonder 1974 has been described as "truly huge," and "epic sounding". Visit www.1974online.com.

Rotary: Friday, August 2, 2019 at the Higganum Green

Rotary is a four-piece Classic Rock band from Central CT. For over a decade they have played a multitude of venues with notable performances including opening for The Guess Who at the Durham Fair, a set with the Monkees' Peter Tork, and the Mohegan Sun Summer Concert Series. Rotary's set includes an ever-expanding catalogue of artists including the Rolling Stones, Billy Joel, Cream, the Beatles, Eric Clapton, Dire Straits, Creedence Clearwater Revival and many more. They deliver great music and a dynamic, crowd-pleasing show every time. Check out www.facebook.com/RotaryBand.

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Memorial Day

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to search for an end. The point at which no other white stone lies; where an open field begins. But I cannot seem to find it. The names of soldiers engrave each stone. Not a single man or woman here forgotten, each one loved by more than they would have imagined. I wish they could see what their sacrifice has done, the nation they have helped to build. But now they rest in the hands of God. Memorial Day is a day of honoring the fallen soldiers who granted our country freedom. A day to remember our brothers and sisters who no longer stand beside us. To them the freedom of their country was worth risking it all.

On our recent visit to Washington D.C, my peers and I had the chance to visit the Korean War memorial. There, four words engraved in dark grey granite, spoke out to me. "Freedom is not free." In America, many of us overlook the word freedom. We don't understand the number of lives it cost, or the amount of bravery it took to attain it. Those in service believed the power to act, write, or speak without hindrance was worth sacrificing everything. We believe we are touched only by the loss of those we have kept close, when really, each and every fallen soldier has impacted us greatly. To me, Memorial Day is a day of honoring these brave souls who risked their lives to protect our freedom. We owe it to them to take time out of our busy, self-absorbed lives, to stop and realize who gave us all these privileges we get to enjoy. It is the least we can give back to those who deserve so much more."

The cost of freedom is something we should never overlook. It was protected by brave hearts who understood they would sacrifice all they had for you and me. Memorial Day is a day in which Americans come together to respect

those who fought for our freedom; those who lost their lives in doing so. Whether we knew them personally or not, they influenced our lives greatly. The greatest dishonor we could give to these brave souls would be to not remember. The freedom we have been granted was never free."

Steve Abbatello's speech

"Thank you for coming out to honor and remember this Memorial Day. My name is Steve Abbatello and I live right around the corner from here. I'd like to share with you Memorial Day through my eyes. Memorial Day used to mean just another day off to me when I was a kid. I knew it was related to military service somehow but that was about it. From a young age, I had an interest in military history. As I got older, I felt obligated to serve and joined the world's greatest Navy at the age of 17. Throughout boot camp, I learned more and more about military history. Now I'm starting to understand it from a different perspective. It starts to make more sense to me operationally.

Most of you may not be aware but in the latter half of the '90s, things were getting heated with Iraq and we actually had regular engagements with them during Operations Southern and Northern Watch. This would be my first foray into combat. It was exciting and from an operational standpoint, easy, as it surprisingly went as planned the majority of the time. Then the Fall of 2001 came and everything changed. Suddenly, I gained a much deeper understanding for the value of life. I started to see that combat does not always go the way I had experienced it previously in the '90s. I started to see various units take large losses. It had hit me that these are units no different from my own, and these are regular guys no different than myself. I'm a regular person, no



Rick Annino, above, and Steve Abbatello, below, speak during the Memorial Day ceremony. Photos by Kathy Brown.



with the people they care about.

To the men and women who serve this country, there is no better feeling than being home with our loved ones. There is no greater honor than to serve and protect the sanctity of our homeland and the safety of our loved ones. Sadly, so many of our brothers and sisters have

different from any of you here today. As I mentioned earlier, I live right around the corner from here.

So a few years later, I've left the Navy to join the Air Force. Now we've been at war for years with no signs of slowing down. Every day for years and years, I'm losing brothers and sisters to the ugliest actions man is capable of producing. Eventually, I find myself back in the desert yet again enduring miserable conditions. Wishing I was back in Higganum standing around a bonfire having a beer with the people I care about. Now I'm realizing that all of these wars prior to my generation were being fought by guys just like me. Guys that lived right around the corner from here. Guys who endured miserable conditions, who wished they were home

not and will not be afforded the simple act of returning home to their friends and families. It is for this reason that we gather here today to honor them. To pay tribute to the men and women who are not just footnotes in history. These are regular folks just like you and I who lived around the corner. These are people who gave everything to ensure you and I could be free. Free to come together like we have here today.

This is why Memorial Day is so important to me. So please remember them with me. Honor them with me. And know that you can sleep soundly in your beds because rough men stand ready in the night to visit violence on those who would do you harm. May you go in peace. Thank you."

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"This I say, therefore, and testify in the Lord, that you should no longer walk as the rest...in the futility of their mind,¹⁸ having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart;¹⁹ who, being past feeling, have given themselves over to lewdness, to work all uncleanness with greediness.²⁰ But you have not so learned Christ,²¹ if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught by Him, as the truth is in Jesus:²² that you put off, concerning your former conduct, the old man which grows corrupt according to the deceitful lusts,²³ and be renewed in the spirit of your mind,²⁴ and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness" (Ephesians 4:17-24).

"Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent,³¹ because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man [Christ] whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead" (Acts 17:30-31). "Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out..." (Acts 3:19).

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June programs and events

By Laurie Gardner and Marissa Lehmacher, BML

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. The theme for May is "Monsters". Help make a flannel board monster during storytime and then make a monster to take home!

Music with Margie

In June, Music with Margie will meet on the following Thursdays: June 6th & June 13th. The theme for June is "Bugs and Insects". 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. Tuba Kelly brings a different musical instrument each week. Get ready to hear the guitar, saxophone, trombone and, of course, her signature tuba! In June, Toddler Tunes will meet on the 20th & the 27th 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.

Summer Reading Kickoff Event with Mr. Magic

Join us on Monday, June 24th at 6:00 p.m. for a dazzling, family-friendly magic show from the master of illusions, Richard Rothstein a.k.a. Mr. Magic. With

mesmerizing spectacles and mystifying tricks, Mr. Magic will amaze and astound ages 2 to 102. Get ready for audience participation and lots of fun prizes! This program will be the kick-off event for our 8-week space-themed summer reading program, "A Universe of Stories". Registration is not required.

Starlab Traveling Planetarium's Starry Safari

On Thursday, June 27th at 2:00 p.m. and at 3:00 p.m. the Brainerd Memorial Library and Killingworth Library will host the Children's Museum of West Harford's Starlab Traveling Planetarium at HK Middle School. Take a special tour of creature constellations from around the world. Hear the amazing tales people told about how those animals got placed up in the night sky. Bring a constellation to life and meet a live animal from their wildlife sanctuary! For grades Pre-K through 2. Child must be able to stay in the inflatable planetarium unaccompanied by an adult for the full 45-minute program. Registration is necessary as space is limited. Please sign up for one session only beginning June 1st by visiting www.brainerdlibrary.org. Registration will not be possible before this date.

TEEN PROGRAMS

Teen Advisory Board

What can your library do for you? Join BML's Teen Advisory Board to find out! The TAB will meet on Thursday, June 13th from 6:00 to 7:00 pm. 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.

2nd Big Book Sale set for September

By Robbie Marshall, BML

The Friends of Brainerd Memorial Library would like to announce our 2nd Annual BIG Book Sale planned for September 20, 21 & 23, 2019.

The Book and Bake sale will begin on Friday, Sept. 20th at 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. The Book sale will continue on Saturday, Sept. 21. On Monday, Sept. 23, 2019 any remaining items will be offered at special prices from 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

The Friends always accept books and DVDs, but request patrons help contribute to the BIG sale by bringing their donations throughout the summer.

Please make sure that all items are saleable [not soiled, yellowed, moldy, or damaged] and gently used!

The Friends of BML invite you to check out our re-located and renovated bookstore, the Book Nook. The Nook is behind the non-fiction section of the Library at 920 Saybrook Road in Haddam. Stop in and browse, relax in our comfy chairs, have a coffee or tea and take advantage of our monthly sales. Regular low prices start at 25¢. DVDs, CDs, paperbacks and a large selection of hardcover fiction and non-fiction are arranged by author and subject. And don't miss our special items for purchase, like DVD series, unique books, and BML merchandise!

From June through August – the Book Nook is running a "Beach Reads" Buy 1 Get 1 Free Sale.

The Book Nook is open during library hours. We accept cash, checks, plastic, and PayPal. Friends' funds support library programs and events, and materials, technology, and furnishing purchases.

The BML website and Facebook pages post our sales and events.

The Friends are also sponsoring and promoting Summer Reading with gift bags for children. Children can pick up a tote bag which will include a free book coupon, bookmark, and library card application.

Volunteers are always welcome! The Friends get together on Thursday mornings and for a monthly meeting. Stop in or contact us to join. <http://www.brainerdlibrary.lioninc.org/friends>

Thank you for your generous donations and we look forward to seeing everyone at the BIG Book Sale!



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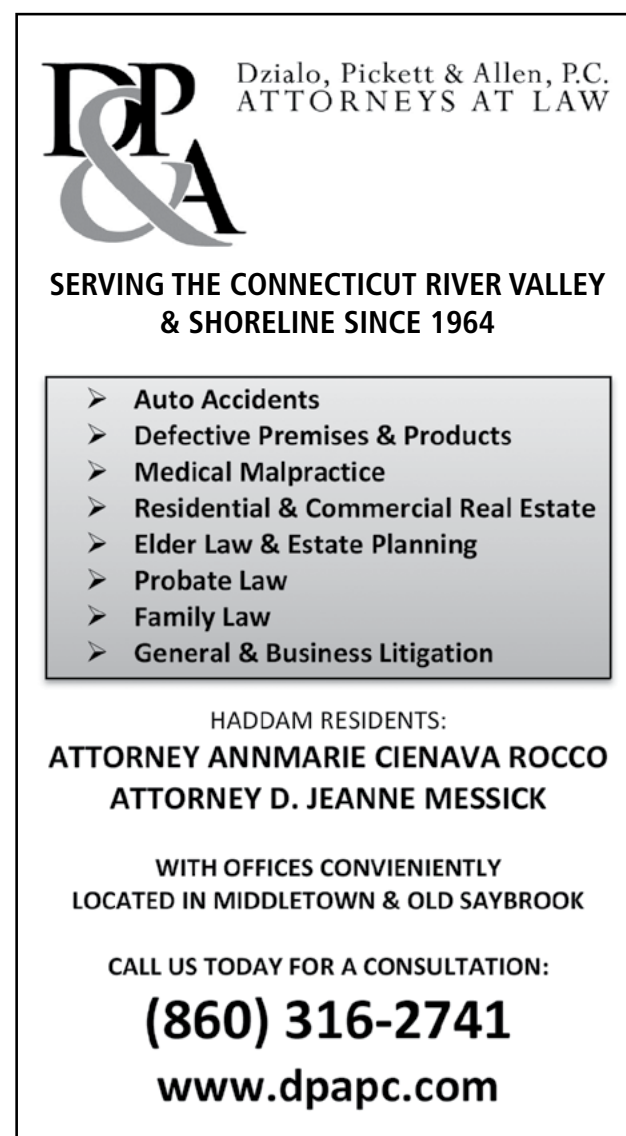
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Higganum's GCI Outdoor celebrates grand opening

By Editorial Staff

On Wednesday, May 29, 2019, GCI Outdoor, located at 457 Killingworth Road, celebrated its official grand opening with a ribbon cutting ceremony.

GCI Outdoor develops high quality, innovative, comfortable, compact and portable outdoor products that are designed for life outdoors. Their products are sold in camping, outdoor, and sporting good retailers as well as QVC and online. They were originally located at 66 Killingworth Road in Higganum, but are now down the road at a brand new facility at 457 Killingworth Road, near Haddam Killingworth High School and Higganum Family Medical.

"We are very proud of Co-Presidents Dan Grace and Jeff Polke, and appreciate their willingness to commit to our region. While Middlesex Chamber of Commerce Chairman Jay Polke has attended over 100 grand opening celebrations over the past two years, I suspect this one will be his favorite, as he gets to cut the ribbon on this beautiful new facility with his son Jeff and the terrific team at GCI and First Selectwoman Lizz Milardo. We look forward to working with them as we move forward," said Middlesex Chamber President Larry McHugh.



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Upcoming Red Cross Blood Drives

Each day, the Red Cross must collect 14,000 blood donations for patients in need. Give now. Your donation is critical. Please sign up online for an appointment to give blood. Log onto www.redcrossblood.org or use the blood donor app to set an appointment. The following blood drives are scheduled:

Thursday, June 6, 2019 — St. Peter's Catholic Church, 30 St. Peter's Lane, Higganum, 1:15 – 6:15 p.m.

Wednesday, July 24, 2019 — St. Peter's Catholic Church, 30 St. Peter's Lane, Higganum, 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 22, 2019 — Haddam Volunteer Fire Company, 439 Saybrook Road, Higganum, 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Celebration was an incredible success!!! We want to thank the Polish Falcons Nest 519, Rockslide of Durham, Shiny Do-Right Food Truck and our countless volunteers, donors, bartenders, friends, family, and the Haddam and Killingworth communities for making it a great day. We hope that you enjoyed this special event. We saw a lot of people playing corn hole, badminton, bocce, hanging out laughing, and

taking advantage of the perfect weather. The children loved the moon bounce and bounced the afternoon away.

The mission of the Nathaniel B. Field Memorial Foundation, Inc. is to prevent suicide through public awareness and education, to reduce the stigma of mental illness, and to provide hope and support.



Photo by Marie Field.

2nd Annual Spring Into Hope Celebration a success

On May 18, the Nathaniel B Field Memorial Foundation, Inc. 2nd Annual Spring Into Hope

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HKHS BASEBALL

HKHS defeats East Catholic in 2nd round of Class M State Tournament

The Haddam Killingworth High School Varsity baseball team defeated East Catholic at Penders Field on Thursday, May 30, 2019 in the second round of the Class M State Tournament with a final score of HK 3, East Catholic 2. Sam Erskine had two hits and two RBI and Alec Erskine scored twice and pitched a perfect 5th for the win. Alden Halfinger got the save for HK. Jake McDowell had two hits for East Catholic.



Alden Halfinger on the mound. Photo by Phil Devlin.

HK	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	3	6	0
EC	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	7	0

Batteries: HK- Carm Rosa, Alec Erskine(5), Alden Halfinger(6) and Sam Erskine. East Catholic – Frank Mozzicato, Anthony Mozzicato(6) and

*at time of publication.

HKHS defeats Stonington in first tournament round

The Haddam Killingworth High School Varsity Baseball team defeated Stonington in Higganum on Wednesday, May 29, in the first round of the Class M State Tournament with a final score of HK 3, Stonington 1. Jon Civiello (8-0) threw a no hitter and drove in two runs to lead HK to a first round tournament win. Luke DiMauro doubled and scored two runs for the Cougars. Stonington scored an unearned run



Civiello on the mound. Photo by Sharon DiMauro.

Batteries: HK- Jon Civiello and Sam Erskine. Stonington – Drew Champagne and Lucas Holliman. WP Civiello LP Champagne

*Records: HK 17-6, Stonington 8-13

*at time of publication.

Brandon Keeler. WP A. Erskine LP F. Mozzicato	in the fifth.	Stonington	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	
*Records: HK 18-6, East Catholic 16-6		HK	0	0	2	0	1	0	x	3	4	1

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D-Day: A 75-Year Retrospective: upcoming presentation dates

D-Day: A 75 Year Retrospective: 2019 marks the 75th anniversary of Operation Overlord—the amphibious invasion of Normandy on June 6, 1944. Former Haddam Killingworth High School teacher Phil Devlin's presentation focuses on the invasion of both Utah Beach and Omaha Beach as well the cliffs of Pointe-du-Hoc; furthermore, the talk will focus

on the American cemetery at Colleville sur Mer. The presentation is anecdotal in nature, telling interesting stories about many people and units that played key roles in the invasion. It includes original photos and source material from the presenter, who has visited the beaches twice. The role played by Connecticut servicemen is part of this presentation. Mr.

Devlin has been giving this popular presentation for nearly 15 years and has been constantly updating it.

Upcoming dates:

Windsor Locks Library, June 6, 6:30 p.m.
Killingworth Firehouse, June 11, 7:00 p.m.

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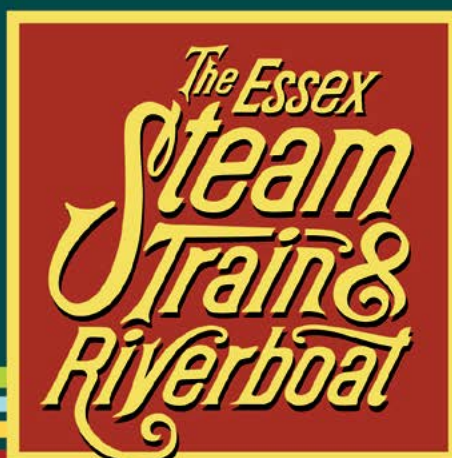


FREE HI-RAIL RIDES

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Boys place 1st at Shoreline Championship; Girls place 3rd

The Shoreline Championship Meet was held on Wednesday, May 22, 2019 at Coginchaug High School in Durham. The boys placed 1st with 174.5 points, followed by Coginchaug and Old Saybrook, while the girls placed 3rd with 107 points behind Old Saybrook and East Hampton.

Some highlights from the day for the HK boys:

4 x 800m Relay – The HK team of Kyle Criscuolo, Seth Freeman, Matt Jennings, and Christian Uzwiak placed 2nd with a time of 8:28.01

4 x 100m Relay – The HK team of Tyler Knapp, Dalton Modehn, Dmytri Mallon, and Seth Regan placed 5th with a time of 45.54

100m High Hurdles – Luke Sodergren placed 3rd with a time of 16.00

100m Dash – Seth Regan placed 3rd with a time of 11.34

1600m Run – Matt Jennings placed 2nd with a time of 4:29.56, Christian Uzwiak placed 4th with a time of 4:43.75, and Sean Rutledge placed 5th with a time of 4:45.83

400m Dash – Dmytri Mallon placed

2nd with a time of 52.05

300m Hurdles – Luke Sodergren placed 5th with a time of 42.85

800m Run – Seth Freeman placed 3rd with a time of 2:07.60

200m Dash – Seth Freeman placed 2nd with a time of 22.60

3200m Run – Matt Jennings placed 2nd with a time of 10:06.74, Christian Uzwiak placed 4th with a time of 10:19.83, and Fisher Harris placed 5th with a time of 10:22.28

4 x 400m Relay – the HK team of Kyle Criscuolo, Owen Howes, Dmytri Mallon, and Luke Sodergren placed 1st with a time of 3:32.45

Shot Put – Colton Lavoie placed 1st with a distance of 45'00.50", Wally Sample placed 3rd with a distance of 41'03.50", and Trey Callender placed 4th with a distance of 40'08.75"

Pole Vault – Tyler Knapp placed 5th with a height of 12'00.00"

High Jump – Eamon Sweeney placed 2nd with a height of 5'08.00"

Discus Throw – Colton Lavoie placed 2nd with a distance of 129'02.00", Trey Callender placed 3rd with a distance of 123'04.00" and Chase Mack placed 4th with a distance of 113'00.00"

Javelin – John Bosco placed 4th with a distance of 145'07.00" and Wally Sample placed 5th with a distance of 143'07.00"

Some highlights from the day for the HK girls:

4 x 800m Relay – The HK team of Emma Anziano, Hailey Cassidey, Julia Callis, and Amanda Minervino placed 1st with a time of 9:50.35

4 x 100m Relay – The HK team of Elena Boyington, Ly-Linh Criscuolo, Autumn Coady, and Ashley Duncanson placed 3rd with a time of 53.19

100m High Hurdles – Autumn Coady placed 2nd with a time of 16.80, and Sadie Strom placed 3rd with a time of 17.41

1600m Run – Emma Anziano placed 3rd with a time of 5:14.20

300m Hurdles – Autumn Coady placed 2nd with a time of 48.14

800m Run – Emma Anziano placed 2nd with a time of 2:22.83, and Hailey Cassidy placed 5th with a time of 2:33.95

3200m Run – Meara Bodak placed 5th with a time of 12:34.76

4 x 400m Relay – the HK team of Autumn Coady, Julia Callis, Elena Boyington, and Ashley Duncanson placed 2nd with a time of 4:18.31

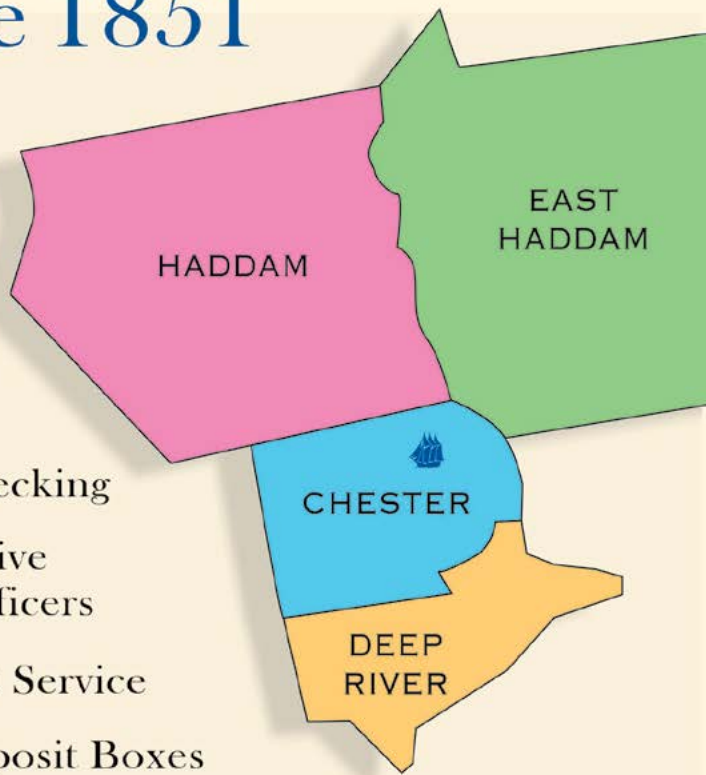
Shot Put – Gabby Lester placed 2nd with a distance of 30'08.50"

Pole Vault – Morgan Schultz placed 5th with a distance of 7'06.00"

Discus Throw – Gabby Lester placed 5th with a distance of 75'00.00"

Javelin – Amanda Minervino placed 1st with a distance of 109'10.00"

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