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Haddam Resident State Trooper Milardo retires

By Kathy Brown

As of Oct. 1, Haddam Resident State Trooper Enrico "Rico" Milardo will be retiring from the Connecticut State Police, but continuing in law enforcement as a Police Constable for the town of Westbrook. Milardo, born and raised in the Middletown area, has been Haddam's Resident Trooper since 2010. He became a State Trooper in 1998, after volunteering as a Middletown Police Auxiliary Officer for three years. Prior to becoming Haddam's trooper, he served both Troop K and then Troop F.

While in the State Police Academy, Trooper Milardo received 1400 hours of classroom training, including accident reconstruction and investigation, penal code, criminal investigation, DUI investigation training and certification, conflict resolution, firearms training, self defense, patrol techniques, and report writing. It also included many hours of physical conditioning, water rescue, and emergency vehicle driving. Troopers also have annual requalification training in firearms, Tas-



Trooper Enrico Milardo.



Senior Expo 2017.

er training, basic emergency medical, and other areas. Trooper Milardo has also been a certified D.A.R.E instructor since 2011.

Trooper Milardo received an Exemplary Service Award from the Hartford Police Department in 2001, and Unit Citation Awards in 2001, 2004, and 2010. He received the Meritorious Service Award for assisting in the capture of two suspects involved in an Old Saybrook robbery incident in 2013, that led to the shooting and wounding of a

state police detective. He has also been a Connecticut State Police Field Training Officer since 2003.

"I would like to thank Trooper Milardo for all of his hard work and dedication to the town," said First Selectman Lizz Milardo. "He will be missed."

While in Haddam, Trooper Milardo was involved in Haddam-Killingworth Youth & Family Services, and the Healthy Communities/Healthy Kids Coalition, which is a collaborative effort to control underage drinking. He was also involved with the Juvenile

Review Board, which is an alternative to the Juvenile Justice System. The main objective of the JRB is to provide an alternative for juveniles age 16 and under who are in conflict at home, in school, in the community, or are first time offenders.

"Officer Milardo is one of those people who 'gets' people," said Laurie Ruderfer, the Executive Director of Youth & Family Services of H-K since the summer of 2018. "Over the past year we have had

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HKHS teams place well at Suffern, Valley invitationals

By Matt Diglio, Coach, HKHS Cross Country

On Saturday, Sept. 21, the Haddam Killingworth High School Boys and Girls Cross Country teams split their squads and competed in two different states. While the Boys and Girls Varsity squads traveled to Suffern Invitational at Bear Mountain, NY, the remainder of the team traveled to Cromwell to compete in the CT River Valley Invitational.

The Varsity teams competed on a challenging 3 mile course against over 70 schools from New York and New Jersey. Both teams placed third in their Varsity "C" race as the boys scored 79 points to finish behind Mount Academy and North Rockland of NY while the girls scored 97 points to place third behind Valley Central and Monroe Woodbury, both of NY.

The boys were led by junior Matt Jennings who placed 3rd in a time of 16:18. He was followed across the line by senior tri-captain Christian Uzwiak who placed 8th in a time of 16:43, then juniors Sean Rutledge 19th (17:45) and Fisher Harris 23rd (17:32) then a trio of tightly packed Cougars led by sophomore Caleb Freeman 26th (17:47), junior Julian Spector 27th (17:47) and senior tri-captain Griffin Robinson 30th (17:56).

The Girls Varsity squad was led by junior Meara Bodak, who placed 7th in the race in a time of 20:37 for the 3 mile course. She was followed by senior tri-captain Julia Callis 24th (22:02), sophomore Brianna Minervino 26th (22:12), senior tri-captain Lauren D'Amico 27th (22:18), and sophomore Ava DiMatteo 30th (22:51).

At the CT River Valley Invitational, the rest of the Cougar squad competed in the JV boys and girls races against 15 other teams from CT. The girls JV team placed 2nd as a team and were led by race winner Isabel Berardino who placed first in a time of 22:31 for the 5,000 meter course. Other top 10 finishers were senior Jasmine Adelberg who placed 4th in 24:09 and junior Kathy Melgar who finished 7th (24:19). The boys JV team won their race and were led by sophomore Greyson Merola who was runner up in a time of 17:39 for the 3.1 mile course. Following him across the line was senior tri-captain Luke Sodergren 3rd (17:41), sophomore Tyler Robinson 4th (17:44), senior Michael Coleman 6th (17:58), freshman Mason Gorham 8th (18:06) and sophomore Andrew Hedges 10th (18:06).

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November 5 Haddam Municipal Election info

By Raymond Skarsten & Saralyn D'Amato, Haddam Certified Registrars of Voters

Haddam's next voting session is the "Haddam Municipal Election" on Tuesday, November 5, 2019. Haddam voters will vote for First Selectman, Selectman, Tax Collector, Board of Finance, Board of Education, Board of Assessment Appeals, Planning and Zoning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals.

To register to vote: The Registrars' Office is open on Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. or register at Haddam Town Hall, Town Clerk's office (see Town Hall hours below). You may also request the Registrar of Voters or Town Clerk to send you a mail-in voter registration form, or visit our website haddam.org/registrar-voters.

The polls are open from 6:00 a.m.

to 8:00 p.m. The three polling places are:

*District #001: Haddam Firehouse Community Hall, 439 Saybrook Road (Route 154), Higganum, CT 06441

*District #002: Regional School District #17 Central Office, 57 Little City Road, Higganum, CT 06441

*District #003: Haddam Neck Firehouse, 50 Rock Landing Road, Haddam Neck, CT 07624

*Curb side voting is available for "voters with a disability"

Registration Sessions:

Oct. 29 - 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. - All day registration and in-person cut-off to register for the November 5th "Municipal Election"

Nov. 4 - 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. - Limited Registration Session to admit

those seeking to vote in election whose qualification as to age, citizenship or residence was attained since October 29, 2019

The above sessions will be held at: Registrar of Voters Office, Haddam Firehouse, 439 Saybrook Road, Higganum, CT 06441

Registration Deadlines:

Mail-in registrations must be post-marked by Oct. 29

In-person and on-line cut off is Oct. 29, by 8:00 p.m. - (To register on-line a DMV license is required).

NOTE: Any unregistered Connecticut resident who is eligible to vote or any resident who has moved into Haddam, may register and vote in person on Election Day - ONLY at the:

Haddam Firehouse Complex, 439 Saybrook Road (Rte 154) Higganum, CT

06441

Hours: 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, Nov. 5, 2017

The Registrar of Voters STRONGLY urge Haddam residents who are NOT registered to vote, to register as early as possible before Nov. 5, 2019. Also, please visit our website - haddam.org/registrar-voters - for election information and forms. A copy of the ballot will also be on our web-site.

Absentee ballot applications will be available on Oct. 4, 2019 at:

Haddam Town Hall, Town Clerk's office, 30 Field Park Drive, Haddam, CT 06438

Hours: Mon.-Wed, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Thursday, 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.; Friday, 8:30 a.m.-noon

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Historic Haddam Jail Tours: October 19 & 26

By Elizabeth Malloy, Executive Director, Haddam Historical Society

Cell Block Tales, Tour of the Historic Haddam Jail

Saturday, Oct. 19 and Oct. 26, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The Haddam Historical Society will host a tour of the historic Haddam Jail cellblock. Visitors will meet some of the famous and not so well-known historic prisoners who were incarcerated in the Haddam Jail in the 19th and 20th century. Local actors will portray real characters who were jailed for various crimes including forgery, bigamy and poisoning. Come and hear their stories, learn their fates.

This year we are partnering with the newly established local theater group, Blue Fire Stage Company. Learn more about Blue Fire Stage Company on their Facebook page.

Admission is \$5 per person, children under 12 are free. For more information visit www.haddamhistory.org or call 860-345-2400.



Photos courtesy of the Haddam Historical Society.



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Owl-O-Ween at Parmelee Farm: October 26

Owl-O-Ween will be here soon! Owl-O-Ween will be held on Oct. 26, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Parmelee Farm in Killingworth. This is the 13th annual fundraiser for A Place Called Hope that celebrates our native Owls along with the Halloween Holiday traditions! Come out for an all ages two hour Meet and Greet to be introduced to some of our States native owl species to learn about ways to lessen some of the conflicts these birds face living so closely to mankind. Meet live birds at different stations in the outdoor

pavilion at the Parmelee Farm. This is a great place to preview holiday costumes before the holiday and take photos near live owls! This is a great way to support APCH and the many birds in our care. Dress according to weather as this is an outdoor event.

A Place Called Hope is a non-profit organization that rehabilitates birds of prey in Killingworth, CT. One of their goals is to teach the public how to protect and respect wildlife, in particular Raptors.

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¹⁶ But when the self-righteous religious teachers...saw him eating with tax collectors and other sinners, they asked his disciples, "Why does he eat with such sinners?" ¹⁷ When Jesus heard this, he told them, "Healthy people don't need a doctor—sick people do. I have not come to call those who think they are righteous, but to call those who know they are sinners—to call them to repentance" (Mark 2:13-17). "For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:3-6).

"The Lord is...longsuffering [and patient] toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). "God overlooked people's ignorance about these things in earlier times, but now He commands everyone everywhere to repent of their sins and turn to Him" (Acts 17:30-31 NLT).

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23-26). To receive God's forgiveness, you must first admit you are a sinner and confess your sins to God in prayer. God calls us to repentance—that means to turn from your sins and to trust Jesus as your only savior and lord.

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Getting to know the Haddam Board of Education Candidates



Jane Baird.

We reached out to both the Haddam Republican Town Committee and the Haddam Democratic Town Committee and asked candidates to respond to a set of questions; if a candidate did not respond, their name is listed, so that you know who is running for each office. Updates from all candidates are welcome, and will be published as Letters to the Editor. The questions posed to the candidates were:

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4. What are the key things you love about this town and its people?
5. Additional thoughts to leave voters with?

Jane Baird (Democrat)

I moved to Haddam with my family in 2002 because I was attracted to the town's natural beauty, small town vibe, and excellent schools. My husband, Peter, and I have two sons, one who just graduated college and plans to be a middle school teacher and one who is a current HK student. For the past 17 years I have worked at Connecticut Children's Medical Center, most recently as Senior Director for External Affairs, where I lead advocacy efforts in support of public policies that impact children's health and wellbeing. I coordinate with partners such as the Hartford Public Schools and YMCAs who share the medical center's priority to promote healthy families and communities that help children grow, learn and succeed.

I am running for a seat on the board of education because I want to help our district navigate the changes we face in a way that puts the needs of children first and recognizes the impact that outstanding schools and a vibrant community have on each other.

In the coming year, all of us who make up Region 17 will have many opportunities to positively impact



Jen Favalora.

our schools and our towns including hiring a new superintendent, assessing the impact of the HES closure, and evaluating the restructuring effort that established a new intermediate school.

My experience as a child health advocate has taught me that children and families benefit when public agencies and the citizens they represent collaborate in respectful partnership with one another. I want to use that perspective to help lead our district and provide our children with the tools they need to succeed.

I look forward to joining the BoE and promoting the essential role that community members must play in charting a course for our town's future.

Jen Favalora (Unaffiliated, but endorsed by the Republicans)

Jen Favalora and her husband Scott moved to Higganum nineteen years ago. With two children in the school district, Jen has spent the last nine years as a full-time volunteer for our District #17 schools. She served as Vice President on the Burr PTO Board for four years and Vice President on the HKMS PTO Board for two years. In those years she worked as their liaison to the administrators, the Superintendent, and the Board of Education.

Jen majored in Communication Studies and moved to Connecticut after college to work at ESPN. At ESPN, she managed staff and directed live television shows. Throughout her career Jen was also responsible for managing budgets, negotiating contracts and producing departmental communications. Two years ago Jen returned to work as a substitute teacher for District #17. She has spent her time as a District #17 employee building relationships and gaining insight into the issues in our schools today. Jen additionally volunteers as Co-Chairman of the HKMS Craft Fair. She has been a soccer coach for both HK boys and girls, and also enjoyed volunteering on the Haddam Junior Women's Club.



Shawna Goldfarb.

This year Jen was honored with the Sgt. George Dingwall Award for her volunteer work in our HK community.

Serving on the Board of Education, Jen plans to use her experience and knowledge to ensure we are using our district resources wisely, bridge the gap in communications to our community, and bring us together as we move forward.

Shawna Goldfarb (Republican)

Shawna Goldfarb is a wife and mom of two boys whose family moved from Middlefield to Higganum 4 years ago. Her boys attend HK Middle School and have special needs. Shawna has worked very closely with the Special Education Department of Regional School District #17, helping her boys to be successful in school. She also supports both of her boys' many hobbies, including having coached an HK Little League baseball team for 2 years.

For the past 8 years, Shawna has worked for King Arthur Flour as the Northeast Regional Sales Manager. In that capacity, she manages a multi-million-dollar sales region, working with food distributors, restaurants and bakeries, as well as supplying technical help to companies, and creating events for Culinary Schools such as Johnson and Wales.

Shawna was an active member of the Haddam Elementary School PTO, creating fun, educational cultural events for the students, along with managing fund-raising events. She continues to support the district, becoming a board member of the HK Youth and Family Services. She has also been very involved with the Save-HES group, working diligently with other members, the current Board of Education and the Board of Selectmen on the District's budgets so she could gain a better understanding of where our tax dollars are being spent.

Shawna will strive to be a liaison for the residents of Haddam and the parents of the entire district by using her skills in business, her knowledge of Special Education, and her ability to



Katie Packtor.

listen and work with people to move District #17 forward.

Katie Packtor (Republican, endorsed by the Democrats)

When asked where I'm from, I used to pause before responding. My family moved around the country when I was young, and I transplanted myself again as a young adult until I found Higganum, Connecticut. Now when asked where I am from, my answer is immediate. Higganum is the place I come from and the home I go to. It is the place I've put down roots with my own family. I have lived here for 15 years with my husband, Sam. We have two remarkable children, who attend RSD17 schools. Our daughter is entering high school, and our son will be part of the inaugural class of HKIS 4th grade students this fall. Our two dogs round out our busy, joyful, goofy, imperfect, humble family.

I am delighted by the people I've met in Haddam and the unique character of the Connecticut River Valley. My family and I enjoy exploring the parks, hiking trails, waterways and greens. We walk and bike to the center regularly to frequent the businesses, attend a concert on the green or a church service at the gazebo, or simply to get some fresh air and exercise. There is something quiet and unassuming about this town that attracts me, and I'm so grateful to be raising my kids here.

I credit my mom with teaching me how to cook, and I'm a self-proclaimed foodie. Gathering around a table and breaking bread with friends (or strangers) not only fills bellies, it feeds souls. To that end, we entertain as often as we can. I'm also an avid (albeit not at all competitive or skilled) runner, so if you see me out pounding the pavement, give a wave or a holler!

Taking an active role in my community has always been important to me. I've served in the schools as HES PTO member and co-president, event chair, and room parent. I have also

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volunteered time in the community—whether for church, sporting activities, scouting, or other town organizations. I like to be involved and am proud of the accomplishments achieved through these group efforts.

I have also built a career outside of the home practicing Landscape Architecture. I've been working for The SLAM Collaborative in Glastonbury for over a decade. I have always appreciated the value of place-making and planning and how that discipline can improve the quality of life for the people it serves. Through my work, I've learned how to balance big picture conception with detailed focus, a skill that will serve me well if elected to the BoE.

Over the past couple of years, I witnessed a rift between the BoE and the community when the board pursued the closure and consolidation of our schools. As a founding member of the Save HES group, I worked diligently to try to bring the voice of our community to the attention of both our educational and town leaders. I was troubled by the way that the public was received, and by the way education and town matters were being managed. I know we can do better—for our children, for our residents, for our future.

I seek this position on the BoE to help heal our community—to build strong connections, tend to the needs of every student and staff member, and advance our educational district towards financial sustainability and academic success.

My role is to serve you—all of you. Foremost on my platform will be fortifying communication between the district and the towns we serve. Our schools are one of our greatest assets, and they warrant dedicated attention and care. In a time of financial reform at the state level, it is important that we manage resources responsibly and thoughtfully. I will see to it that we utilize creative problem-solving skills to transform challenges into progressive systems of performance, a satisfied staff, and well-rounded young citizens.

In closing, I'm committed to this town that we all call "home." I offer a history of volunteering in our schools and community, a professional background that is both analytical and artistic, and an immediate understanding of the issues at hand. All citizens should have the opportunity to participate in the conversation and enhance the living and learning experience in Haddam. Together we will achieve that goal.

Thank you and please feel free to reach out at any time!



Edith Hanson Pawlicki.

Edith Hanson Pawlicki (Democrat)

I was born and raised in Higganum, and grew up playing in the woods with my three older siblings. I "rang into" HES for kindergarten, where I learned about environmental stewardship building trails on Swan Hill and observing the small pond. My Girl Scout troop learned cross-stitch at the Thankful Arnold House, the root of my embroidery passion. I rang out in fifth—I was one of the sixth grades that was bussed to Burr Elementary School (BES) because the schools were overcrowded. In 7th grade, I was the Wicked Witch in the HKMS Wizard of Oz, and then a Governor's Scholar in 8th grade. At HKHS, I ran all three seasons and had the mixed blessing of being coached by my brother Ross Hanson.

After graduating as valedictorian in 2008, I studied Computer Science and Japanese at the University of Rochester where I met my husband. After graduating, I taught English in Japan until getting married. I then moved to Seattle, where he worked, and earned my Masters in Teaching. I went on to teach AP CS, high school math, and CS engineering.

In 2016, I was blessed with twin sons, Gil and Cae. I very much wanted to raise them near family, so we moved back to Haddam in 2017. They are the reason I am running for board of education.

I want to protect our public schools for them and for our town's children. I have a strong background in education, not only through my own experiences but also because of the many education professionals in my family, including my mother, Gail Hanson, who retired in June after 25 years of teaching, mostly in RSD 17. As my sons and nephews will soon start at BES, I am deeply committed to the quality of our schools.

As a tutor of a local student and volunteer at HKMS, I have been concerned by the placement of teachers in the district. Several young, talented teachers have been fired while experienced teachers have been moved from



Peter Sonski.

their established subject to ones they were not comfortable teaching, prioritizing budget over the education of our children.

It is important to examine the school budget rigorously and make sure it is manageable for the towns, but we should not do so at the cost of quality instruction. The materials I have read show integrated elementary and middle schools are correlated with increased disciplinary issues, and I am concerned about the integration of the fourth graders into HKMS.

As for the closing of HES, I was disturbed by the lack of data shared, as well as the rushed timeline when the community asked for more information. As BOE member, my goal will be to communicate consistently and openly with the town regarding major decisions and to prioritize our children's education over internal school politics. I hope we can improve the district's administration so that our teachers are supported and free to do their jobs to the best of their abilities.

When I think of Haddam, I think of family. My Manning grandparents moved to Haddam in 1950 and my Hanson grandparents in 1963. My parents and several of their siblings chose to raise their children in town, so their children could benefit from the great public schools here as well as the state forests and parks nearby. Haddam has been a wonderful home for my sons—they love the Tony Bondi Playground on Jail Hill Rd, visiting their Manning uncles' cows and vegetable garden, the wonderful children's department at Brainerd Memorial Library, canoeing on Miller's Pond and (their all-time favorite) the HK Dairy Barn. It is a blessing to be take them to the Me-

morial Day parade where I marched in the school band and show them the bricks outside the Veteran's Museum with their great-uncles' names. Every morning when I walk into our backyard, listen to the birds calling, and every evening as we look up at the stars, and hear the crickets chirping, I feel so grateful to be able to raise my sons in this beautiful area.

I love this town, and I passionately believe that education changes lives. I hope you will give me the opportunity to represent our community on the BOE so that I can use my skills and knowledge to ensure the quality of our schools for our children. I would listen to the community concerns and do my best to keep the BOE transparent and accessible. At this critical time for the district, as we hire a new superintendent and new middle school principal, I want to make sure our community and its values will be preserved.

Peter Sonski (Unaffiliated, but endorsed by the Republicans)

Peter Sonski and his family have been Haddam residents for 13 years and he has five children educated in Regional School District #17. Peter is active at St. Peter's Church and in the Knights of Columbus. He coordinates three Red Cross Blood Drives in town annually. Peter was President of the Haddam-Killingworth Youth Football program, and continues to volunteer as a Little League Umpire.

Peter has a Master's Degree in Business Management and is an Education Director at a New Haven museum. Before moving to Haddam, he served as a Selectman and Finance Board Chairman in Somers, Connecticut in addition to being a member of the town's Infrastructure Committee.

A quality school system is a benefit to everyone in our town. District #17 enjoys a superior reputation within Connecticut. It is the reason many parents move to Haddam. Maintaining excellence in education while managing the resources available will be an important priority for the board. Peter presently serves as Treasurer on the RSD #17 Board of Education and is seeking re-election.

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Joel D'Angelo (Democrat)

I have lived in Killingworth for eleven years with my wife Lisa and daughter Grace. I hold a Ph.D. in Biology earned from Wesleyan University and have been a teacher and administrator at Hopkins School in New Haven for the past seventeen years.

During my eight-year tenure on the Board, I have served as Board Treasurer, Chair of the Finance Committee and two years as Chair of the Board of Education.

I am very proud that I have approached every decision posed to the Board with sound research and open dialog, weighing my primary responsibility to the students along with fiscal conservation. Prior to any vote that I cast, my first question has been (and will remain) 'what is best for the students?' That is where I believe all discussions should start.

My overall goal is and will be, to ensure our students receive the best education possible to prepare them for a world that faces unprecedented challenges. Overseeing a successful



Joel D'Angelo.

restructuring of our schools will be a particular goal of mine during the next year. I firmly believe we are on the right track that properly uses all of our facilities and capital resources and at the same time provide a high level of educational missions across all grade levels.

From the moment eleven years ago my wife Lisa and I visited houses to purchase in this town and have lunch at the Copper Skillet, we knew this was the town for us and our family. While I have watched a vigorous debate between our populous over the last decade or so, I always found solace in that all of those involved cared deeply about our town and its members. I can only add that I was (and continue to be) proud to be part of Killingworth and a member of its Board of Education responsible for steering this community's next generation.

Graig Judge (Republican)

Graig Judge has lived in Killingworth since 2008. He lives with his wife, Sarah, and daughter, Fiona, who is a student at Haddam Killingworth Intermediate School. Graig has worked in Killingworth for his family's business, Interstate Battery, since he was 11 years old (part time then, of course). Graig attended UConn and graduated in 2002 with a degree in History and Political Science.

Currently, he is the general manager of Interstate Battery here in town.



Graig Judge.

Graig is also a proud member of the Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company.

Graig is running for the Board of Education to ensure that his daughter and all of the children of RSD17 receive the best education the district can provide. Another one of Graig's passions about education is the continued safety of our students and faculty.

Most importantly the current issues facing our district and town are budget concerns and infrastructure in a precarious economy.

I love the small feel of Killingworth, especially getting to know so many people in town through my service with the fire company.

Nelson Rivera (Democrat)

My name is Nelson Rivera and I am running for a seat on the Haddam-Killingworth Board of Education. My wife Lisa and I have called Killingworth home for nine years. We have two children, Nelson and Olivia, both of whom attend Killingworth Elementary School. As a parent and educator, I understand and appreciate the importance of high-quality public education for all children. With 20 years of experience in education, both as classroom teacher and school administrator, I believe I can contribute to our school community and would base my decisions on what is best for students.

I am currently serving as assistant principal at Oliver Wolcott Technical High School. I also have eight years



Nelson Rivera.

of classroom experience teaching a variety of high school social studies courses. In addition to my work experience, I hold a Master of Education in Policy, Planning, and Administration from Boston University; a Sixth-Year degree in Educational Leadership from SCSU; and a Doctor of Education with a concentration in Curriculum, Teaching, and Leadership from Northeastern University. My doctoral dissertation was a case study examining college and career readiness skills.

I am running for a seat on the Board of Education because I want the best school system possible. A caring, student centered, and rigorous school experience does not happen by accident. Rather it takes collaboration, hard work, and a commitment to serve students. Our community as a whole is also better served when we offer a high-quality education for all children. And while we have much to be proud of as a district, I think we can do even better going forward by fostering more science, math and engineering initiatives, strengthening fine arts, music, and world languages programs, and expanding participation in dual enrollment programs such as UCONN ECE so high school students can earn transferable college credits at significantly reduced costs.

From an educational perspective, I believe we need to build on our successes as a district and find new ways to continuously improve student achievement. It is a critical time for the district, with both major leadership and structural changes, it is more important than ever to have a Board of Education that remains focused on supporting student success.

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access to numerous parks, beaches, and hiking trails. Residents are friendly and deeply care about the future of our town. I truly believe it is the best kept secret in Connecticut.

As a member of the Board of Education, I would be committed to fulfilling the associated responsibilities with integrity, dedication, and transparency. The students of Haddam-Killingworth public schools deserve nothing less.



Suzanne Sack.

Suzanne Sack (Unaffiliated, but endorsed by both the Democrats and Republications)

The mission of the BOE remains constant: to sustain the best public education for our children in the most effective way using the resources generously offered by Haddam and Killingworth. The last several years have been particularly challenging in the face of financial constraints and declining enrollment; however, we have successfully maintained administrator and teacher excellence, introduced new programming, maintained small class sizes, and increased funding for special education all while managing our budget effectively. This has placed RSD 17 high in state rankings for educational performance and low in cost per student.

If we are to continue on this trajectory, we will have to stay focused on the mission and make smart decisions on the countless matters that come before the Board – school and curriculum design, health education, professional development, contract negotiations, and budget development, just to name a few. This demands an experienced and knowledgeable Board. Over the last four years I have served on the BOE as Treasurer and Vice Chair, and I have chaired the Finance, Personnel and Evaluation, and Strategic Capital Planning Committees. I've learned a great deal and have helped make these decisions that have contributed to our community's families and to the district's success. We are very well positioned to take the district forward in a positive fashion.

I feel strongly about the value of

a public education, because I am the product of one, right up through college – with a BA in Business from the State University of New York (SUNY) College at Oswego. I currently serve on the SUNY Oswego Foundation Board, working for accessible public education for others.

For 25 years, I worked in financial services in three national firms, holding senior management roles including Regional President of a private bank. While working, I earned my MA from Columbia University's Teacher's College.

Locally, I serve on the South Central Regional Water Authority Board and have chaired Killingworth projects such as the Community Conversation on Education and worked on fundraisers to benefit the Killingworth Library, the KVFC, and Youth and Family Services.

My education, professional and board experience built competence in board leadership, strategic/business planning, personnel management, problem solving, and decision making.

My husband, David and I have lived in Killingworth for over 20 years. We enjoy being a part of the community and love the outdoors. We moved here because of its rural beauty and have fallen in love with the good natured and thoughtful community members. The extraordinary good deeds that so many community members participate in and my love for education inspired me to run for the BOE four years ago and to run for reelection this fall. We really couldn't imagine living anywhere else.

As a politically unaffiliated voter and a 20+ year resident, I would like to continue to use my skills to serve our community and help our district and children grow. I hope you will give me your vote on November 5.

Niralee Patel-Lye (Petitioning Candidate)

My name is Niralee Patel-Lye and I live in Killingworth with my husband, Chris, and our two young daughters, Tara and Elisa. One of our daughters attends Killingworth Elementary School and the other will begin attending Killingworth Elementary School

in the next academic year so I have a deep, personal commitment to ensuring that what happens in our district is in the best interests of our children.

I have a bachelor's degree in biology from the University at Albany, a bachelor's degree in education and a master's degree in educational leadership from Central Connecticut State University, and a doctorate in educational leadership and policy, with a concentration in school administration, from Southern Connecticut State University. In addition to attending public universities, I am the product of a public K-12 education and I believe that our public schools can be places of high engagement and incredible opportunity for all students, just as they were for me. As a first-generation American of color from a working class family, statistically, I should not have earned a terminal degree. The reason I was able to beat the statistics and to be more than a number is due in part to the high-quality public education I received and in part to the fiscal practices of my parents. But I believe that every child in our district should have the opportunity to be more than just a number.

I have experience working in public education and educating teachers and administrators. While we have great teachers and administrators, I believe that my expertise would be valuable on the Board to support important programs such as the budget, school climate, building relationships through transparency and kindness, and communicating well with the public and families especially during difficult times or times of great change.

I spent over 10 years working in public education in Connecticut, the bulk of which were spent as a French teacher in high school, with the remainder in middle school. I also spent some of those years a department chair. During that time as department chair, I made curricular changes to both the regional high school and to the feeder schools in multiple districts. In addition, the budget was tight and enrollment was dropping during that time. I had to make choices about who to lay off. At the time, we had a full-time French teacher and I taught 2-3



Niralee Patel-Lye.

classes a year; it did not make sense to lay off the full-time teacher and to keep me simply because I had seniority. So I put the students and the budget first before my personal interests and chose to lay myself off.

I currently have the pleasure and honor of working in the Education Department at Connecticut College as the Teacher Certification Officer and Assessment Coordinator, a role that is part teaching and part service. I spend time working with the public schools to support cooperating teachers and aspiring public school teachers. I also spend time discussing with students the ways in which they can embed culturally responsive practices, mindfulness, and social emotional learning to make their classrooms welcoming spaces for all students and parents.

I have many years of experience teaching aspiring and current administrators in a master's degree program at Post University, the Sixth Year program at SCSU for aspiring school administrators, and the Ed.D. program at the University of Bridgeport. The majority of courses I have taught have focused on curricula planning, assessment, measurement and metrics, education law, research methods, program development, leadership development, and education finance. I know how to support teachers and administrators to help them be the best professionals they can be, and ones that children deserve.

I am not a politician but I am learning. I chose to run over the summer because I feel it is time for us to move forward as one district and focus on healing the rifts within our district over school budgets and closing HES. I believe that school boards have an obligation and a moral imperative to advocate for programs and policies to meet the changing needs of our students and our educators. This is exactly why I am running: I want to be a voice at the table that can bring creative ideas and expertise to problem solving to better meet the needs of all students, teachers, and administrators in our district.

As a mom and an educator, I am passionate, and I know how to get

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TO THE EDITOR

From candidate Dave Challenger

I have lived in Higganum for 13 years and have been married to my wife Sharon for 33 years. We have a son and daughter-in-law and three grandchildren. I am well-qualified to serve on the Board of Finance as my career included employment at The Travelers Insurance Company, General Electric, Keane, and Aetna Insurance Company where I had financial and operations responsibilities and experience preparing and managing budgets of up to \$35 million dollars.

Since retiring in 2013, I have been a Moderator for Haddam elections, in addition to serving as an alternate on the Board of Finance. I feel this is a good time to step up and serve as a full member on the Board of Finance.

I believe it is important to maintain our infrastructure such as roads and bridges in a cost-effective manner, while assuring that our Fire and Public Works Departments have the proper equipment that they require to safely do their jobs and to provide services to our residents. By managing our limited financial resources effectively, we can maintain our high AAA bond rating and provide the roads and services that we all need.

I love the rural character and charm of Haddam and have made many great friends here. Living near the Connecticut River gives us a lot of opportunities to enjoy nature.

I ask for your support in November so I can continue this important work on the Board of Finance.

*Dave Challenger
Higganum*

From candidate Leo Bombalicki

I am a 20 year resident of Killingworth, CT. I attended University of New Haven graduating with a Bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice administration. I

was employed by the City of New Haven at the New Haven Police Department where I rose to the rank of Captain and served for 33 years. During my tenure as an ranking officer I held the positions of District Manager, Lieutenant of extra duty, Captain of Emergency Management, SWAT, and the Bomb Squad. I attended the US Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Army Ordinance munitions & Electronic Maintenance School, Executive Management, Connecticut States Attorney School for Search and Seizure and a former Yale Child Study Fellow. Currently owner of Shoreline Firearms instruction LLC and work as an armed security service officer.

Enjoying the bucolic life here in Killingworth with my high school sweetheart and we have three grown children and three grandchildren.

My vision for Killingworth is a balanced budget without a tax increase and to regulate spending in these difficult times.

*Leo Bombalicki
Killingworth*

From candidate Shawna Goldfarb

My name is Shawna Goldfarb. In 2003, I moved to Connecticut from Colorado to join my now husband, David, and settled in Middlefield. In 2015, my family and I moved to beautiful Higganum. I have two boys, one in 6th grade and one in 8th grade.

In elementary school, my oldest was diagnosed with Aspergers, then my youngest was diagnosed with ADHD/Anxiety. Both were integrated into the special education program. I love the relationships I have with our RSD17 teachers and specialists that work with my boys.

In 2012, I began working for King Arthur Flour. I am the Northeast Regional Sales Manager, selling in-

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the job done. We deserve leadership that advocates for children and teachers and what they truly need while being fiscally responsible. There are ways to balance these needs. Done purposefully and with feedback and buy-in from various members of the community, I know we can do this. It won't be easy or quick. It's a long slog with many small efforts over time creating one big and positive change. It will translate into even more excellent schools and a more outstanding learning and teaching environment. Excellent schools are good for parents, teachers, and students but they're also great for maintaining property values and the desirability of our district.

I love living in Killingworth because I am able to know my neighbors. We moved here because the excellent school system was part of a small-town community. It is amazing to go to a local business or event (or the library) and to bump into people you know, not just in passing but to actually have a real conversation with them while you're there. I like the

opportunities available to be involved too. I serve on the board of HKYFS, a position I applied for in the spring, before I considered running for BOE. I also enjoy being involved with the PTO at KES as room mom, book fair volunteer, and other activities. I love interacting with other parents and teachers and building a family-school connection.

I want to continually improve great leadership in our school district. To do this, I believe our board must model community, collaboration, transparency, and accountability. I want our board to send a message to our educators, our students, our community that these values are necessary to have a great school climate, heal rifts in our district, and support our whole community.

I believe my experience and energy is exactly what our district needs in these challenging times. We need to unite and be strong, to support each other, to have open conversations with each other, and I truly believe that we can do this.

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redients, working with bakeries and restaurants. To be successful in a multi-million dollar region, I run my territory as a business. I direct hundreds of distributor sales representatives, creating and managing budgets, sales and marketing. In addition, I work with bakers troubleshooting and teaching them how to bake products. The best part, I create educational classes with top bakers and culinary schools in the industry and connect professional bakers with students to teach and mentor.

I volunteered for the PTO in Middlefield as VP and in Higganum as chair for both Cultural Events and fundraising events. In 2019, I joined the HKYFS Coalition and soon after, the HKYFS as a board member. When RSD17 BOE announced the restructure, a group of us had many concerns. We founded "SaveHES." We attended BOE and town meetings. I studied RSD17 budgets to better understand our tax dollars spending. I spoke to Haddam residents, wanting to understand how our townspeople felt. Many were unhappy and felt unheard, having lost trust in the BOE over many years of decisions. I decided to run for the BOE. To help communication between our town boards and residents, and be a true liaison between our residents and our district.

Our town is now positioned for growth. Our residents are aware of the happenings in our town/district more than ever. If elected to the BOE, I feel I can help manage this growth. I'll use my marketing and communication skills to open better lines of communication. I'll help our district to become more fiscally responsible, while keeping our programs and teachers that have made RSD17 the amazing.

If elected, I will work hard to listen to our residents while using my skills to help manage and grow RSD17. I will try hard to make sure our town is heard. Our boards need to be open and flexible with their resources and way of thinking. I hope to bring that way of thinking to our BOE.

*Shawna Goldfarb
Higganum*

In support of candidate Patel-Lye

I am writing in support of Niralee Patel-Lye, who is running for the Board of Education as an unaffiliated petitioning candidate. A resident of Connecticut for the past 25 years, Niralee and her family moved to Killingworth three years ago. She lives with her

husband, Chris, and her two daughters, Tara, 6 and Elisa, 4. Tara is in the first grade at Killingworth Elementary School and Elisa attends the HK Cubs program. Niralee and her family were attracted to Killingworth because of the well-respected school system and small-town feel. She serves on the Board of Haddam Killingworth Youth and Family Services, the PTO, and is a room mom and Book Fair volunteer at Killingworth Elementary. She stays active in the community, socializing with neighbors and shopping at local stores and farmers' markets.

Niralee has an extensive academic background and experience in education, which makes her an ideal candidate. She earned a doctoral degree in Educational Leadership and Policy and holds the Connecticut State Certificate for Intermediate Administration or Supervision. Currently, she works at Connecticut College as the Teacher Certification Officer and Assessment Coordinator. Previously, Niralee spent twelve years teaching in Connecticut Middle and High Schools. For three years she served as the Department Chair for World Languages in Region 19. She also ran the International Baccalaureate Programme in Bridgeport for two years.

Her deep investment in her children's education and current issues facing the Haddam Killingworth district have been Niralee's motivation to run for the Board of Education. One of the most important issues she plans to address is the division in our district. As a Board of Education member, Niralee would like to foster open communication by validating and respecting differing points of view. She would engage the community in working with the Board by having small, purposeful focus groups with parents, teachers, and others in the community. She is also concerned that the district is facing a reduction in State Education Cost Sharing. Niralee would like to see a more fiscally-responsible, streamlined budget and plans to achieve this by reducing costs through the renegotiation of vendor contracts.

I believe that Niralee's insight into issues facing our school district and concrete plans for addressing problems, as well as her extensive experience and investment in our community, would make her a valuable agent of change. Running as an unaffiliated candidate, she is looking to not create more division, but to unify our community for the sake of our children.

*Gail E. Buller, Ph.D.
Killingworth*

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Haddam Resident State Trooper Enrico Milardo Retires

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benefit of his presence at events to the benefit of our agency (Pumpkin Run, Dodgeball), the community (Drug Take Back Day) and individual families (Holiday-Stuff-a-Cruiser) and he has been an active and key member of our Juvenile Review Board/JRB." She went on to say, "He has been our go-to source for information that pertains to the laws and protections as they apply to youth and families and has consistently demonstrated the unique role of the Resident State Trooper at bringing youth, families, and the entire community, together. I personally want to thank him for the welcome he extended to me over this past year and for his wise counsel. Westbrook is lucky to get him—he will be missed."

Resident Troopers respond to a wide range of calls ranging from cyber crimes and identity theft to domestic disturbances, from motor vehicle accidents to residential and commercial alarms, to burglaries and assaults, robberies and larcenies, and vandalism. They conduct traffic enforcement, direct traffic during special events, patrol town residential and business areas, conduct community events such as a mock car accident at Haddam Killingworth High School each May, educate high school students of the dangers of alcohol during prom season, public

presentations, and conduct under-age drinking enforcement patrols in conjunction with the Healthy Communities/Heathy Kids Coalition.

"Rico is a critical member of the high school team," said Interim Superintendent, Holly Hageman. "We regularly communicate about students of concern, in a collaborative effort to keep kids on track. He is also our "go to" resource for event coverage. Not only does he never need guidance on where we need him; he brings humor and camaraderie to the sidelines as well. It is quite common for Rico to take time out of his day to have a conversation with a student about how their choices will positively (or negatively) impact their life path. He does this in a direct, but supportive way that is "unofficial business" but is highly effective in reaching teens at a crossroads. Rico has always been quick to respond when I needed his input or an official police action. He is always a text or phone call away and there are no "days off" when it comes to the safety of our kids. One of the best examples of this happened a few years ago when one of our students was the target of an online predator. The situation was incredibly serious and, having contacted Rico the moment after I learned of the danger to one of our girls, he and I partnered together to

get between the perpetrator and HK. Rico worked quickly with the state police in a mid-western state and within hours the perpetrator was arrested, his computer confiscated. His quick work saved one young girl from the potentially far-reaching damage of an online attack. While I am so happy for Rico in his retirement, his departure is a tremendous loss for our school community!"

"When Trooper Milardo told me about his retirement, I knew that it was a great move for him — but it would be an incredible loss to the community," said Haddam Volunteer Fire Company Chief, Sam Baber. "Milardo's knowledge, acumen, and progressive thinking have benefited the Haddam community as a whole. Haddam Fire will greatly miss the camaraderie and interactions with him."



Resident Troopers also handle numerous administrative office duties including finger printing for town residents seeking employment or pistol permits, preparing arrest warrant applications during criminal investigations, completing motor vehicle accident and criminal investigation reports, filing, and applying for grants. "Some criminal investigations can be very challenging," said Trooper Milardo. "But I still found it rewarding and satisfying whenever I solved a crime."

"It has been a pleasure and an honor to work with Trooper Milardo," said Trooper First Class Joe DeAngelo, Haddam's other Resident Trooper. "During his 20 plus year career, he has gathered significant insight into what makes a State Trooper effective and how the Resident Trooper program has an intimate and direct impact on the towns that we serve. I am grateful for the opportunity to have worked alongside him."

"My favorite part of being a Resident Trooper in the town of Haddam was that you get to know many of the residents, which fosters better understanding and trust," said Trooper Milardo. "Haddam is a close knit community where people look out for each other, which is an asset to the Resident Troopers."

"I will miss seeing all the friends I have made professionally and personally over the last 10 years in Haddam, Higganum, and Haddam Neck, as well as Regional School District 17, who have been extremely supportive to me and the Connecticut State Police," said Trooper Milardo. "The positive relationship between the HK schools and the state police is very important."

Trooper DeAngelo will move to day shift, and a new night shift trooper will be chosen for the Haddam Resident Trooper office.

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Diet For Our Minds (Part 2 of a series)

We are going to discuss the Canadian Brain Health Food Guide, and the Rush University Medical Center diets and their impact on delaying Alzheimer's. The Canadian Diet has yielded a dietary plan that is very similar to the Mediterranean diet, but is has been associated with a 36 percent reduction in developing Alzheimer's Disease, while the Rush University Medical Center diet, called the MIND diet has shown a 53 percent lower risk of developing Alzheimer's. The diet's differ:

	Canadian Diet.	Rush University (MIND Diet)
Vegetables/day.	5 servings.	2 servings
Fish servings/week.	3 servings.	1 serving
Whole grains/day.	No recommendation.	3 servings
Fruit.	4 servings/day.	5- 1/2 cup of berries/week
Meat.	1 serving/week	1 serving /week

What both diets agree on is that foods to be avoided or limited to once per week servings is saturated fats found in pastries, sweets, butter, red meat, and fried foods. There has been no decision as to dairy with the exception that all dairy was low fat versus a whole fat option.

Both studies have identified several important nutrients such as Vitamin E, a powerful antioxidant, which is also found in oils, nuts, seeds, whole grains and leafy green vegetables. Vitamin E attacks the free radicals that are thought to produce injury to brain cells. Vitamin B-12 is also a vitamin found to be important because as we become older our ability to absorb B-12 becomes compromised, and a deficiency in Vitamin B-12 can lead to confusion and memory problems. When combined with lower Folic Acid levels this can cause cognitive decline, and dementia. The brain has higher levels of Omega-3 Fatty Acids, and is found to be important in brain cell membranes, and in the transmission of signals between the cells. Next week, we will look at cellular inflammation, and the part that food, exercise and social interaction plays.

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HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH TOWN & COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Thursday, October 3

Lyme Art Association Lecture, 6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m., 90 Lyme Street

This fall the Lyme Art Association will present three lectures for art lovers. Each lecture will begin at 7:00 p.m., with refreshments served at 6:30 p.m. There is a \$5 fee for members, \$10 fee for non-members. Parking is free and the venue is handicap accessible. On Oct. 3, Bob Potter will explore the Western Frontier of 19th century America through the artworks of George Caleb Bingham, John James Audubon, Albert Bierstadt, and others.

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

Killingworth Parmelee Farm Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Pond Room

COMMUNITY

HKHS Class of 2021 Mattress Fundraiser: Oct. 5

By Donna Hayward, HKHS Principal

The Haddam Killingworth High School cafeteria will transform into a mattress sales floor on Saturday, Oct. 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All proceeds from this special sale will benefit the Junior class (Class of 2021) including individual incentives for students who bring in purchasing customers.

All sizes of mattresses will be available. Over 25 styles will be on display. Delivery is available. Financing is available.

Twin from \$259; Full from \$279; Queen from \$299; King/CA King from \$499

Friday, October 4

Kids Night Out, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m., HKHS Cafeteria

Youth & Family Services of Haddam Killingworth is sponsoring a Kids Night Out in the Haddam Killingworth High School cafeteria. Dinner will be served. Local teens from the community will volunteer to play HUMAN board games with kids in grades Kindergarten through 5th grade. The cost is \$20 per child. If you bring one non-perishable food item, it will discount the cost to \$15 per child. Scholarships are available. RSVP to Lindsay at prevention-coordinator@hkyfs.org or 860-345-7498.

Saturday, October 5

Historic House Tour, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

The Haddam Historical Society will host Artistry and Architecture House Tour. Visit six architecturally

distinct properties in Haddam and Higganum which convey both past and present innovative creativity and resourcefulness. Visitors will tour a vineyard, pottery studio, painter's oasis and the home of City Bench, which creates beautiful furniture from fallen trees. Also tour the home of former Broadway actors, now a religious retreat and the stunning Victorian residence of a contemporary author. The tour tickets cost \$25 in advance and \$30 the day of the tour. The tour headquarters is the Haddam Old Town Hall at 21 Field Park Drive, Haddam where participants will pick up their programs and directions.

Fundraiser for HKHS Class 2021, 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., HKHS Cafeteria

Chicken BBQ, 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Higganum United Methodist Church

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RSD #17 update on Superintendent search can be found online

On Sept. 17, Cooperative Educational Services shared its Superintendent Profile with the Regional School District #17 Board of Education. If you

go onto the rsd17.org website, and click on the link titled "Superintendent Search" on the home page, it will take you to the Powerpoint that was shared

with the Board of Education, which are the results of the Community Survey and Focus Groups that were held. The next step, according to BOE

Chair Joanne Nesti, is for the Board to meet as a search committee this week to decide on its next steps.



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Sunday, October 6

Cars & Clams, 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m., St. Peter's Church

A benefit for St. Peter's Church. Live, local music; car show with awards; kids entertainment and games. \$10/ticket - all you can eat (kids under 12 eat free). \$20 suggested donation for cars. For tickets and/or to enter a car, contact Glenn Salamone at 860-982-2853 or gcsalamone@yahoo.com.

Medicare 101, 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m., St. Lawrence Church in Killingworth

The Healing Ministry at St. Lawrence Church is hosting a Medicare Basics Program. Speakers will be Keith Lyke, RPh (Killingworth Family Pharmacy) and Beverly Goodrich (Independent Broker, Chester). There will be time to answer questions and refreshments will be served.

Monday, October 7

Killingworth Park & Rec Committee Meeting, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., Town Office Building

Tuesday, October 8

Killingworth Board of Finance Meeting, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Town Office Building

Killingworth Inland, Wetlands & Watercourses Meeting, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m., Town Office Building

Wednesday, October 9

Killingworth Farmer's Market, 3:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m., Recycle Way, Killingworth

The Killingworth Farmers Market is a family-friendly, open-air market where local farmers bring fresh, locally-grown produce and farm-processed foods to sell directly to you. Our market features fruits, vegetables, mushrooms, baked goods, fish, jams and preserves, juices, honey, meat, cheese, yogurt, ice cream, prepared foods, nursery plants, and flowers.

Thursday, October 10

Higganum Farmer's Market, 4:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m., Higganum Green

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

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