

# Haddam Killingworth News

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## Haddam Lions Coat and Shoe Drive a huge success

By Mike LaFleur, President, Haddam Lions Club

When the Haddam Lions started their shoe & coat drive they set a goal of 500 coats & 500 pairs of shoes. After three weekends of collecting at Haddam Elementary School the total was 876 coats & 1384 pairs of shoes.

Additional donations of 14 child snow suits; dozens of gloves, scarves & winter sox; and a cash donation of \$200 were also made.

Safe to say we underestimated the sense of re-

sponsibility and generous nature of Haddam, Higganum & Killingworth.

### Our dilemma

The Covid era has challenged our club as to how we can best serve our community. Last year all planned fund raising events were canceled. In response we chose to redefine ourselves as a club and explore new avenues of fund raising. This drive is the first result.

The Haddam Lions club is a small group of peo-

ple who believe we have an obligation to help our neighbors both local and abroad. We contribute our time, resources and enthusiasm to fulfill the oath of a Lion. We serve.

We are welcoming those who are interested in joining this pride. Please visit us at [HaddamLionsClub.com](http://HaddamLionsClub.com) if you want to find out what we are all about.

From the bottom of our hearts we thank you and look forward to a bright future together. Help us help others.

## HKHS Indoor Track & Field clears snowy track to practice



Photo courtesy of Coach Dupuis.

By Coach Richard Dupuis

The world for student athletes is certainly different in this time of Covid-19. As of the beginning of the winter season at Haddam-Killing-

worth High School, the girls and boys Indoor Track and Field teams start and finish their daily sessions in the cafeteria. Their workouts, and practicing events, however, happen on the outdoor track and field complex, until it snows, as it did Monday night. That didn't

stop HK's teams!

The girls and boys went to work shoveling the track, so they could practice.

It was a real team effort and good conditioning, maybe even a little fun!

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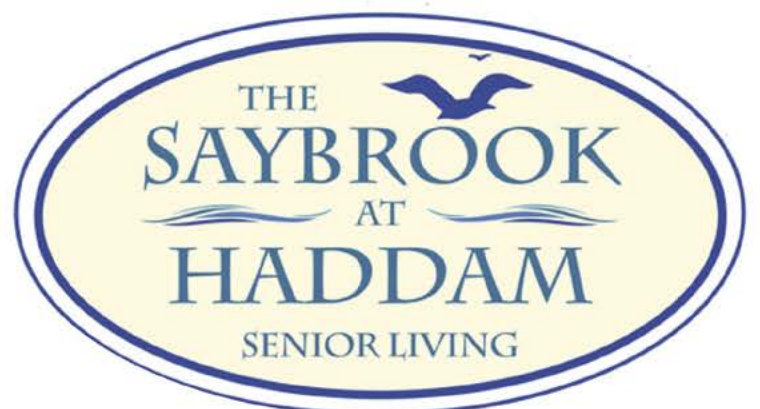
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# Haddam Attorney Jeanne Messick joins Cloutier & Cassella

By Cara Cassella, Cloutier & Cassella, LLC

Cloutier & Cassella, LLC, Attorneys at Law, is thrilled to welcome D. Jeanne Messick (“Jeanne”) to our firm. Jeanne is an attorney who has been representing the legal interests of clients on the Connecticut shoreline and within the Connecticut River Valley for more than 35 years.

Jeanne graduated from Connecticut College in New London magna cum laude and completed her law degree at the University of Connecticut School of Law. She grew up in East Haddam, Connecticut, and is a proud alumna of Mercy High School in Middletown. She spent one academic year of college at the Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, during which time she became fluent in Spanish.

Jeanne has spent her legal career in Connecticut practicing in the areas of Wills, Trusts, Probate Administration, Residential and Commercial Real Estate Transactions, Elder Law and Asset Protection, Business Succession Planning, LLC and Corporate Formation and Transitions, and Special Needs Planning. She is a member of the Elder Law and Probate & Estate Sections of the Connecticut Bar Association, and a member of the Connecticut chapter of



Photo courtesy of LJR Images.

the National Association of Elder Law Attorneys (CT NAELA). She is an approved attorney for Planned Lifetime Assistance Network (PLAN) of Connecticut, Inc, a non-profit trust company serving families of disabled beneficiaries.

Cloutier & Cassella, LLC, enjoys a long and rich history in Old Saybrook, the firm tracing its origins to the late Richard T. O’Connell and retired judge Walter R. Budney, who established the practice in 1966. Jeanne has joined a team that today consists

of Attorneys Edward M. Cassella and Thomas D. McLaughlin, and a staff of six paraprofessionals and paralegals who assist in meeting the needs of the firm’s clients. The firm celebrated 50 years of service in 2017 and is highly regarded for its close ties to the community.

Attorney Messick has previously served on the Board of Trustees of Mercy High School Corporation, Brainerd Memorial Library Association, and the Central Connecticut Business & Estate Planning Council. She is a current incorporator of Middlesex Health and a member of Middlesex Legacy Partners (as part of “Leave a Legacy” promoting charitable planned giving), and is a charter member of River Delta BNI in Old Saybrook. Jeanne and her husband live in Haddam.

When you need legal help to maintain control of your property, prepare for the future through proper Will, Trust and disability documents, plan for transfer of business and real estate assets to loved ones during lifetime, and/or seek asset protection strategies for aging family members, please contact Attorney Messick at (860) 388-3456 to explore how an attorney/client relationship can give you a range of solutions and peace of mind.

## CLASSIFIEDS

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dering gun, never used, \$10. Various electric drills, sanders and jigsaws, they all work, \$5 each. Call 860.550.2036.

**Miller’s Falls No. 70 eggbeater hand drill with box,**

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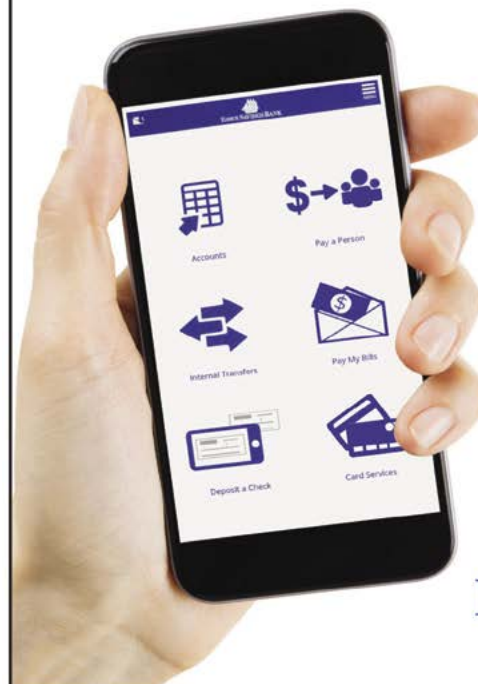
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## Local doctor offers COVID-19 vaccine information

By Greg Shields, MD, Haddam

Now that vaccines are available for the pandemic Covid-19 virus, many people have questions about vaccine effectiveness, safety and availability. Hopefully this will be helpful in clarifying some of these concerns.

In December, the FDA approved two vaccines for distribution in the US, one produced by Pfizer and the other by Moderna. They are similar mRNA vaccines developed to trigger an immune response to the “spike protein” on the coating covering the actual virus. They do not contain any virus particles, and thus cannot cause infection. They both require two doses, three weeks apart for the Pfizer vaccine, and four weeks apart for the Moderna vaccine. They are both about 95% effective in preventing serious Covid-19 infection, but probably slightly less effective in the over 65 population. Both are approximately 50% effective in the short term after a single dose. It is not known whether a vaccinated individual can carry the virus without symptoms, and then pass on the infection to a susceptible individual. Covid-19 infections are not limited to humans, and can infect a variety of animals including household pets. However, the virus does not appear to spread readily between animals and humans.

Recently, two new mutations of the Covid-19 virus have been identified in the U.S. One mutation arose from the UK and the other from South Africa. Both current vaccines appear to be effective in

preventing symptomatic infection from these two strains. It is not yet known how long either vaccine-induced or infection-acquired immunity to the Covid-19 virus will last, and whether subsequent “booster” doses may be necessary. Currently, vaccination is recommended in those who have tested positive for infection after a 90 day waiting period.

The vaccine has been associated with mostly mild side effects, including mild injection site soreness. Less common side effects include muscle aches, fever, fatigue and headache. Rarely, severe allergic (anaphylactic) reactions have been reported in people with a history of severe allergic reactions. Young people with robust immune systems are more likely to have vaccine related side effects.

Johnson & Johnson will be seeking approval for their single dose vaccine in early February. A vaccine developed by Oxford-AstraZeneca was approved in the UK and European Union, but is not likely to obtain approval in the US in the near future.

The concern that most people have is how to obtain the vaccine. The distribution of the vaccine in Connecticut is governed by the Department of Public Health (DPH). It is not yet available to medical providers, but has been distributed directly to health systems such as Middlesex Health, Hartford HealthCare and Yale New Haven Health in our geographic area. Mass immunization sites will be opening in the very near future. The vaccine will eventually be available through pharmacies.

It has been made available in phases, initially to

health care workers, first responders and long term care facilities. The second phase expanded the availability to those 75 and older. Frontline line workers, those living in congregant housing, people between 65-74, and those younger with underlying medical conditions which increase the risk for serious infection will be eligible in the near future. At this writing, in Connecticut, vaccinations are available by only by appointment. Currently, supply shortages (both vaccine and syringes) are limiting availability of vaccine appointments.

Appointments can be scheduled for eligible individuals online through the Vaccine Administration Management System (VAMS) website for a number of administration sites: <https://dphsubmissions.ct.gov/OnlineVaccine> or by phone: (877) 918-2224.

Appointments can be scheduled through Yale (including Old Saybrook) online at: <https://www.ynhhs.org/patient-care/covid-19/vaccine/get-your-covid-vaccine.aspx>

Appointments can also be scheduled through Hartford HealthCare online at: <https://hartfordhealthcare.org/health-wellness/covid-vaccine> or by phone: (860) 827-7690

Be patient and check frequently, as cancellations and new appointments are opened throughout the day as long as vaccine supplies allow. Following vaccination, it is recommended to continue to practice frequent hand washing, wearing masks and social distancing.

## Food for Thought: answering questions about health & nutrition

By Janet Verney

Hi All – Yes, it’s been a while since my last column and after giving it much thought, I’d like to turn things around a bit and do a little Q&A!

Rather than me writing about random foods, health, and lifestyle tips, I’d like to hear what is on your mind about upping your health, or that of a loved one.

Maybe you or your loved one is struggling with arthritis, a GI issue, or you want to boost your immune system. Are you looking to remove more toxins in your day-to-day life, or you need to up

your self-care? Do you have a favorite recipe, but it is giving you agita and want to make it healthier? You get the idea...

Keep in mind, I am not a doctor, but I am a certified Integrative Nutrition Health Coach, whose niche is in gut health and who has many resources and experiences in the health & wellness field. I love helping clients to improve their health, to inspire them to reach their goals, and to arm them with insightful questions to ask of their physicians.

You can send your questions to [HK-NowEditors@outlook.com](mailto:HK-NowEditors@outlook.com), attention FOOD FOR

THOUGHT and I will address them on a first come first serve basis. If you prefer to stay anonymous, just use initials, or a made-up name of choice. Let’s make 2021 your best year ever!

Janet E. Verney is an Author, Integrative Nutrition Health Coach, Wellness Designer, and Healthy Food Chef who resides in Higganum and loves helping others to “health-up” their lives! Also known as the Gut Guru, Janet oversees IIN’s advanced course in Gut Health. Have a burning health or nutrition question, write to Janet at [connect@roots2wellness.com](mailto:connect@roots2wellness.com). To learn more, visit her website at [roots2wellness.com](http://roots2wellness.com)

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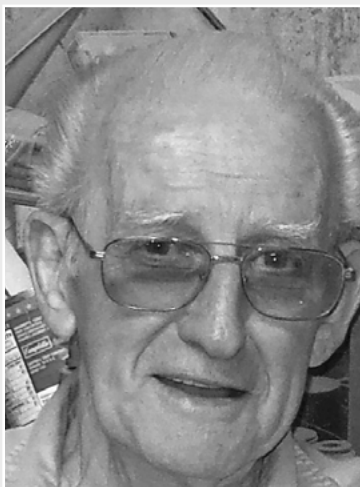
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I miss you Dody,  
Daisy*

**George Joseph Mischke**

George Joseph Mischke, age 85, died on Jan. 31, 2020. He was predeceased by his father Joseph S, mother, Mary Kabai, and sons, Mark and Jay. He is survived by his wife, Marleen and her children; his sister, Grace Mullen, of Vernon, her children, Curtis and Trish, and his devoted stepson, Ricky Budnick (of Bristol) and his brother, Ron (of South Dakota), both formerly of Meriden.

George was born in Meriden and lived in Higganum, where he built his house. He graduated from Meriden Trade school with a degree in carpentry, from which he derived his lifetime work as a master carpenter. He was a member of the United States Air Force, proudly serving in the Korean conflict. He worked for various contractors and also ran his

own business, G and M Contractors, for many years. George was a volunteer Emergency technician for the Haddam Ambulance and also a member of the Safety Patrol for the Powder Ridge ski area. He and his wife spent many happy hours on cruises, skiing and skied the Alps in Switzerland.

He was a devoted husband and father, having raised 11 children over his lifetime. His will be missed by his many friends and relatives who benefited from his expertise with the tools of his trade. Special thanks to the staff of the Haddam Senior Center for their kind help during his last years.

He was interred with full military honors at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, April 4, 2020, at Middletown Veterans' Cemetery, Bow Lane, Middletown. Donations may be made to your local animal sanctuary.

**Free Covid vaccination transportation**

*By Joseph Comerford, 9 Town Transit*

The Estuary Transit District's Complimentary COVID Vaccination Transportation provides FREE accessible transportation to COVID test sites in the district 7 days per week. Trips must begin in Clinton, Chester, Essex, East Haddam, Deep River, Haddam, Killingworth, Lyme, Madison, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook and Westbrook and may be to any Vaccination site in those towns, Guilford or Middletown. This includes drive through vaccination sites. Any resident regardless of age or ability is eligible, and up to four people may travel together.

Trips must be booked at least one day in advance by calling Curtin Transportation at 860-443-1655 between 9:00 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Wheelchair accessible vehicles are available upon request. Face coverings are required when riding. Wait and return service will be provided. Full program details are available at [www.estuarytransit.org](http://www.estuarytransit.org)

**LEGAL NOTICES**

**TOWN OF HADDAM  
DECISION OF THE WETLANDS COMMISSION**

On January 19, 2021 the Town of Haddam Wetland Commission approved for permit:

The construction of the updated site plan for embankment stabilization for 81 Arkay Dr as shown on assessor's Map #36, assessors Lot #7-12.

1. Standard Permit Conditions.
2. Special Conditions/Modifications. Yes (X) No ( )

Establish a Wetlands Protection Bond to be determined by Engineer Harkin and Town Engineer. This Bond will stay in place for a minimum of 2.5 years from the date of the Letter to Proceed is issued by the WEO.

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

James Puska  
Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer  
Town of Haddam

**PLANNING AND ZONING  
PUBLIC HEARING**

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Meeting at 30 Field Park Drive in Haddam, CT on February 18 at 7:00 p.m to act upon the following item(s):

- a. Request for special permit to allow 660sq ft in-law apartment.  
511 Foothills Rd – map 20 lot 7 Applicant: Gene Melansen
- b. Request for special permit to allow existing 10x11 room to be used as an in-home Medspa business.  
23 Devonshire Ln – map 16 lot 12-3 Applicant: Lauren Hebert

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

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

**TOWN OF HADDAM  
DECISION OF THE WETLANDS COMMISSION**

On January 19, 2021 the Town of Haddam Wetland Commission approved for permit:

A Commercial Timber Harvest as shown on narrative and description submitted January 19, 2021 for work to be done on Candlewood Hill Rd, Wiese Albert Rd as shown on Assessor's Map #38, Assessors Lot #5.

1. Standard Permit Conditions.
2. Special Conditions. Yes (X) No ( )
3. All abutting properties within 500 feet of this activity to be notified in writing.

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

James Puska  
Zoning and Wetlands Enforcement Officer  
Town of Haddam

**PLANNING & ZONING  
PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPROVAL**

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut held a Public Hearing at the Haddam Town Hall, 21 Field Park Dr., Haddam, CT on January 21, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. and approved the following item (s):

1. Approval to allow a 4 lot subdivision in an R2-A zone with conditions. Request of waiver for open space denied. Map 86 Lot 2 -- Applicant: Catherine Ragozzino

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

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

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# HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH TOWN & COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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## Thursday, February 4

Haddam Planning & Zoning Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Killingworth Board of Selectmen Meeting (remote access only) 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Parmelee Farm Committee Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

## Saturday, February 6

Virtual Super Saturday Storytime

While the Killingworth library remains closed, we will now be holding our Saturday Storytimes on our YouTube channel! <https://killingworthlibrary.org/>

## Monday, February 8

Haddam Board of Selectmen Meeting (remote access only) 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Killingworth Board of Selectmen Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Killingworth Park & Recreation Meeting (remote access only) 7:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, February 9

Tuesday Book Discussion (Zoom meeting) 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Join us as we discuss *The Education of an Idealist: A Memoir* by Samantha Power. This is the story of an Irish immigrant brought up in Pittsburgh and Atlanta, becoming a journalist and witnessing the genocide in Bosnia, and later becoming our ambassador to the United Nations.

This group will be meeting via Zoom. If you are interested in joining the group, please email the library at [mail@killingworthlibrary.org](mailto:mail@killingworthlibrary.org). Extra copies are available at the circulation desk.

Killingworth Board of Finance Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Killingworth Inland Wetlands Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

## Wednesday, February 10

Killingworth Public Health Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

## Thursday, February 11

Killingworth Board of Selectmen Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Killingworth Conservation Commission Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

# MIDDLESEX COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

## Virtual KeyBank Workshop on The Basics of Web Design: February 9

By Sierra Lopez, PR, MCCC

Chairman Tom Byrne of the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce announced that the Chamber will host a Virtual KeyBank Workshop on “The Basics of Web Design” on Tuesday, Feb. 9, 2021 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on Zoom.

This seminar will be presented by Lauren Middleton from Forest City Marketing, LLC. She will cover the basics of web design and the best practices to make your website more user friendly.

90% of potential customers turn

to the internet to find local businesses, so it is imperative that you have an online presence. There are several easy options out there for beginner website builders. Lauren will go over these different options as well as how to set up an account. The seminar will also cover the following:

*Picking a domain and site hosting.*

*The 4 basic pages you should have.*

*How to pick colors and themes.*

*Free tools to make your website better.*

*How to use basic search terms to get your site found.*

*The basics of website security.*

*How to integrate your site on Google and social media.*

Increase revenues and conversions of online visibility by learning The Basics of Web Design today! Visit [www.middlesexchamber.com](http://www.middlesexchamber.com) to register or call 860-347-6924.

About Lauren Middleton- Lauren Middleton is a Connecticut native and the owner of Forest City Marketing, LLC. She has been a Middletown resident for 7 years and has become quite

involved in city affairs and the chamber. After wanting to go into business for herself for several years, she finally moved forward and opened her company in 2015. Using the skills, she has acquired being in digital marketing for 10 years, she now has over 10 full-time clients. Lauren uses her creativity and ingenuity to create stunning websites, content, and get businesses found with highly researched Search Engine Optimization campaigns. Her clients range from multi-million-dollar biotech companies to small law firms.



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## Local college, university students excel

*Editor's Note: The following information is from Merit Pages News unless otherwise noted.*

### Olivia Beckwith of Higganum presents at Lasell University Symposium

NEWTON, MA (01/26/2021)—Olivia Beckwith, a Lasell University student from Higganum, presented at the University's Fall Career Readiness Symposium in December.

Beckwith participated in a presentation for a course on British Literature, "Magic in Shakespeare's Tempest: Is it Transformational?"

The December 2020 event showcased the work of Beckwith and more than 150 other students in a dynamic digital format, a triumph for flexible teaching and learning amid COVID-19. The December 2020 event was reimagined to celebrate and showcase the ties between career preparedness and Connected Learning, thanks to a three-year grant from the Davis Educational Foundation.

All Symposium presentations focused on four of the National Association of Colleges and Employers' (NACE) career-readiness competen-

cies: Global and Intercultural Fluency, Professional and Work Ethic, Leadership, and Career Management.

"The Fall Career Readiness Symposium showcased student work and experiences, especially ways in which students have applied Connected Learning to develop their careers through internships," said Provost Eric Turner. "The event highlighted competencies in leadership and global/intercultural fluency with an emphasis on ways our students lead and serve by example."

For more information contact: Samantha Mocle, assistant director of communications at smocle@lasell.edu or at 617-243-2386.

### Higganum's Kevin Giulini named to Springfield

SPRINGFIELD, MA (01/25/2021)—Kevin Giulini from Higganum, Conn. was named to the dean's list at Springfield College for academic excellence for the 2020 fall semester. Giulini has a primary major of Criminal Justice.

The criteria for selection to the Dean's List are as follows: The student must have completed a minimum of 12 credit hours of graded coursework for the term, exclusive of "P" grades. The stu-

dent must not have any incompletes or missing grades in the designated term. The student must have a minimum semester grade average of 3.500 for the term.

Springfield College is an independent, nonprofit, coeducational institution founded in 1885. Approximately 4,100 students, including 2,500 full-time undergraduate students, study at its main campus in Springfield, Mass., and at its regional campuses across the country. Springfield College inspires students through the guiding principles of its Humanics philosophy – educating in spirit, mind, and body for leadership in service to others.

### Nathanael Knowlton of Killingworth named to Dean's List for Fall 2020

CEDARVILLE, OH (01/27/2021)—Cedarville University recently released the fall 2020 Dean's List.

This recognition required Nathanael Knowlton, of Killingworth, to obtain a 3.75 GPA or higher for the semester and carry a minimum of 12 credit hours.

Located in southwest Ohio, Cedarville University is an accredited, Christ-centered, Baptist institution with an enrollment of 4,550 undergraduate, graduate, and online students in more than 150 areas of study. Founded in 1887, Cedarville is one of the largest private universities in Ohio, recognized nationally for its authentic Christian community, rigorous academic programs, strong graduation and retention rates, accredited professional and health science offerings, and high student engagement ranking. For more information about Cedarville University, visit [www.cedarville.edu](http://www.cedarville.edu)

### Sydni Therrien named to Cazenovia College Dean's List

CAZENOVIA, NY (01/28/2021)—Sydni Therrien of Haddam, CT was named to the Cazenovia College Dean's List for the Fall 2020 semester. Those named to the Dean's List have achieved a 3.5 or better grade point average.

Cazenovia College is an independent, co-educational college near Syracuse, N.Y., offering graduate and bachelor degree programs in the liberal arts and professional studies in an exceptional community environment, with academic and co-curricular programs devoted to developing leaders in their fields. Cazenovia has been named a "Best College" by U.S. News & World Report for seventeen consecutive years

and has also been recognized by Money and Washington Monthly as a best value institution. For more information, visit [www.cazenovia.edu](http://www.cazenovia.edu)

### Hofstra University congratulates local Fall 2020 Dean's List Students

HEMPSTEAD, NY (01/27/2021)—Hofstra University congratulates the students named to the Fall 2020 Dean's List for their outstanding academic achievement. Students must earn a grade point average of at least 3.5 during the semester to make the Dean's List.

The following students from the local area have been recognized:

Annemarie LePard of Higganum, Conn.  
Jackson Mirmina of Higganum, Conn.

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### Bryant University names local students to Fall 2020 Deans' List

SMITHFIELD, RI (01/28/2021)—Bryant University is dedicated to the pursuit, recognition, and celebration of academic excellence. The University is pleased to recognize the students who have been named to the Deans' List for the fall 2020 semester.

"The challenges of the last year have revealed the character and grit of our community of scholars," said Provost and Chief Academic Officer Glenn Sulmasy, JD, LL.M., reflecting on Bryant's successful fall semester. "I am impressed and proud of their resilience, dedication, and innovative spirit."

Congratulations on this outstanding achievement!

Molly Anderson, class of 2024, from Killingworth, Conn.  
Ethan Gromala, class of 2022, from Killingworth, Conn.  
Juliette Sasso, class of 2023, from Killingworth, Conn.  
Thomas Williams, class of 2023, from Haddam, Conn.  
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## Maynard's Fish House

By Elizabeth Malloy, Executive Director, HHS

Long-time Higganum resident William A. Maynard (1884-1960) was a successful entrepreneur in many different concerns including real estate, building construction, retail and most importantly shad. In the 1930s he built this small square building along the Middlesex Turnpike adjacent to his gas station at 213 Saybrook Road. The building, according to a Hartford Courant article, was known as the Fish House and was one of Haddam's renowned Shad Shacks (the other being Spencer's Haddam Shad Shack). An avid shad fisherman himself, Maynard sold locally caught shad during the season which ran from April 1 to the middle of June. The family also shipped shad to Fulton Fish Market in New York City. In 1956 Maynard and his wife, Clementine moved out to Candlewood Hill and brought the "fish house" with them. According to Granddaughter, Charlene Maynard Dewey it was loaded up on a flat-bed and driven over local roads. Just two years later, the Maynard's moved back to Saybrook Road and brought the building back with them, but locating it across the street from the original location.

Today the building serves as the Haddam Shad Museum. The museum, founded by Dr. Joseph Zaiantz, focuses on the importance of the Shad fishing industry to Haddam and the lower Connecticut River Valley. Dr. Zaiantz has collected many unique artifacts related to this once notable local industry and it is the only museum in the country solely devoted to shad fishing. CT Museum Quest was besotted by the museum, ConneCT Kids notes "this is the perfect place to visit, if you like small museums" and Atlas Obscura highly recommends "this nugget of maritime history."

The Haddam Shad Museum will be open on Sundays from 10:00 a.m. to 3 p.m. from April 4, 2021 to June 13, 2021. Shad Museum directors, who are knowledgeable with both commercial and sport shad fishing will be available to answer questions. For safety reasons, appointments are required by calling 860-345-2400. Social distancing and masks are also required.

The museum is located at 212 Saybrook Road, Higganum, CT behind the gas station. Free admission. For additional information visit [www.haddamshadmuseum.com](http://www.haddamshadmuseum.com) or [www.haddamhistory.org](http://www.haddamhistory.org)



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## PETS



Photo courtesy of Judith Levin.

## Find a Fur Baby: Meet Chip!

By Judith Levin

Chip is ready for his close up OR big step – to a wonderful foster – or forever! – Home!

Chip an absolutely beautiful 15 month old bully breed mix that came into rescue after he was saved from a less than ideal situation. This poor boy has been through so much, between livings in misery for almost the whole first year of his life; this boy had emergency surgery that ultimately saved his life shortly after coming into rescue due to previous care before coming to Furry Friends.

After all of his hurdles, and spending some time with a foster-based trainer, this boy is finally ready to start the life he so very much deserves. Chip is initially a bit shy around new people, but warms up very quickly! Once he's comfortable this boy is full of

puppy energy! He would benefit from an active, bully breed savvy family that can help burn off his energy.

Chip is a very smart boy. He knows sit, down, stay, & paw! He is also crate trained & house broken! Chip would love if his new family can continue to work on his training & exposing to him the outside world that he is finally getting to live in!

He has a very sensitive side, so he needs a family who focuses on primarily positive reinforcement based training so he can continue to have exciting experiences!

Chip is working on his manners around other dogs, he does well walking with them, but for now would likely do best as the only dog in the home. He is a bit too much for feline friends or small children! Chip would make an amazing addition to a home with older children or an adult home!