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Haddam EDC

develops '2020 Year in

Review and Forward

The Haddam Town Planner, Bill Warner, and the

Haddam Land Use Department have developed a

document that outlines what happened in 2020, and

what is on the horizon for 2021 in terms of develop-

to 2021' document

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ment in Haddam. The document in its entirety can be found HERE on the Haddam town website, but we have published excerpts/highlights below:

HES Building: The Town had kept the building open and maintained. Various non-profits are using the building which keeps the air circulating, and report any problems to the town. A lease of the building to Adelbrook School was in talks, but the pandemic stalled negotiations; hopefully that will resume in 2021.

Higganum Center & the Natural Environment: For the Higganum Cove, they secured \$8,000 from the State and used \$6,000 in the capital budget to hire a landscaper and clear five years of overgrowth and downed trees. In 2021, they will clear the area below the parking lot, which is full of historic foundations from the Cove's industrial past. They will remove graffiti and install security cameras to deter vandalism.

Scovil Hoe Property: Using a state grant, they completed work to address liability issues concerning the town's acquisition and created a final Remedial Action Plan. In 2021 there is \$17 million available in the State Brownfield Remediation fun as well as a winter 2021 grant round. They will use the final

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Native American Stone Structures in Killingworth

By Marjorie Tietjen

By Editorial Staff

New England is well known for its miles upon miles of stone walls spreading across the countryside. I've always loved these walls, imagining what they must have been used for in times past. Periodically I would walk in the state forest behind our home in Killingworth. I would often take the same path up a hill to where a massive stone wall lines an impressive ridge. There are many interesting features to this wall and an entrance that led to an upper flat level of ground. In the winter when the leaves have fallen, I can view this wall from our kitchen window.

At some point I became aware of information concerning the ceremonial stone work of the Native Americans in our area. The broad classification that includes many different tribes of North America is the Algonquian. Among the Algonquian tribes in our area were the Pequots, Mohegans and the Hammonassets, who summered by the shore and travelled to North Madison and Killingworth for the winter months. Often in different areas of North America the same types of structures are found and create a pattern. This may be because the Agonquians shared similar customs and a common language with different dialects.

The first stone structure that stood out to me as unique and possibly Native American was a well formed medium size pile of stones that was placed mostly on top of a large platform rock which was embedded in the ground. I had read that these were commonly called cairns but that the Indigenous term for them was Manitou Hussunash...or sacred stones.





Photos provided by Marjorie Tietjen; all stone structures pictured were found in Killingworth.

The more I learned about Native American stone construction and how it differed from the structures the colonists built, the more fascinated I became. To think that we have undiscovered history right in our own backyards is very intriguing! Usually where there is one stone structure, there are more in the same area. When it is determined that these stone relics are Native American, the area can be designated as a Ceremonial Stone Landscape or CSL.

There are different shapes of and purposes for these rock piles that are very plentiful in our area. Many messy disorganized stone piles came from clearing land for agriculture. Other styles of piles that have been observed are:

Well formed rocks piled on top of flat bedrock or large boulder. This technique may have some spiritual or ceremonial reason behind it but it could also make the monument more stable for it to last many years.

A well formed pile of stones attached to the side of a boulder or bedrock.

A cairn attached or very near to a stone wall.

Stones that are placed inside of a split rock.

A cairn that has two angled sides with a flat stone roof and stones inside.

A cairn placed totally on the ground without bedrock underneath.

Cairn on large base stone

A cairn can be composed of many stones or only several placed on top of a larger stone. The shapes of

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the cairns can vary from tall and skinny, short and fat, oval or round, conical and irregular. There are many other varied features to learn about that are described in books on the subject.

There are quite a few different theories that try to explain why these cairns were built. Some of them are:

Ceremonial – having to do with celestial alignments, solstices, honoring spirits, etc.

Grave markers for important members of the tribe Boundary markers

Marking where special events occurred, such as wars

Prayer offerings or donation stones

The marking of trails

Vision Quests

Example of two sides, a roof and stones placed inside

In the book "Stone Prayers: Native American Stone Constructions of the Eastern Seaboard," Curtiss Hoffman, the author, includes written historical accounts of explorer John Smith and others such as Roger Williams. Ezra Stiles, who was president of Yale College in 1778, took special notice of stone structures built by Native Americans. Some of his written accounts describe how tribal members would add a stone to cairns in reverence of a specific important person, every time they would pass by. This may explain how some of these rock piles and walls got so wide and tall. Children were taught to venerate these monuments that were erected to honor specific events or people. It was believed by the natives that if they honored this sacred tradition, crops and hunting would prosper but if they did not do this it was bad luck and times could get hard.

It is thought that it has been difficult to gain understanding of some of the purposes for these Altars or sacrifice rocks, as the English called them, because the Natives did not speak much to this out of fear of being persecuted for their beliefs, which the Puritan colonists often misinterpreted as being evil. The natives did not classify these specific cairns that they named Wawanaquassick, with the term sacrifice rock because there was no sacrifice of living things. Mostly stones, pieces of wood, shells, etc. were laid on these monuments as "donations."







There is much debate over the age of some of these structures and it would make sense that different stone structures were built throughout different periods. One way to determine how old a structure may be is to observe the lichen growth on the stones. If heavily encrusted, the relics could be hundreds of years old.

When visiting CSLs or cairn fields, researchers mark the GPS coordinates of each structure and correlate them to the rising and setting sun on the solstices. Very often this appears to be one of their purposes. Then the question is asked would these alignments remain the same through hundreds or thousands of years? Glen Kreisberg, in his book "Spirits In Stone", says yes. This has been proven to be so by studying other megalithic structures such as the Mayan Sun Pyramid and the temples of Egypt and Cambodia.

There are known and unknown reasons for ancient cultures to be interested in celestial alignments and events. Knowing when to plant crops is one of the possible reasons. Whatever the purposes are for the building of these amazing stone structures, we should become more aware of their existence in order to preserve them. Knowing their history may help

us to uncover lost knowledge of how to maintain the balance and harmony of the natural world.

If this subject is of interest to you there is a Facebook group called "Celebrating the Ceremonial Stone Landscapes of Turtle Island (North America)."

For more information on this and other Killingworth things, Marjorie has a blog: Focus On Killingworth, CT and Surrounding Towns.







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HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH TOWN & COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Thursday, January 14

Killingworth Conservation Comm. Meeting – Town Office Building, 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 16

Virtual Super Saturday Storytime While the Killingworth library remains closed, we will now be holding our Saturday Storytimes on our You-Tube channel! https://killingworthlibrary.org/

Monday, January 18

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

Tuesday, January 19

Haddam Wetlands Comm. Meeting (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Haddam BOF meeting (remote access

only) 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

RSD17 BOE Meeting - Intermediate School - 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Killingworth Charter Revision Meeting – Town Office Building 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Killingworth P & Z Meeting - Town Office Building 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 21

Haddam P&Z Mtg. (remote access only) 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Mystery Book Club (Zoom) - Killing-

worth Library 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss The Redeemer by Jo Nesbo. Shots ring out at a Salvation Army Christmas concert in Oslo, leaving one of the singer's dead in the street. The trail will lead Harry Hole, Oslo's best investigator and worst civil servant, deep into the darkest corners of the city and, eventually, to Croatia. This group will be meeting via Zoom. If you are interested in joining the group, please email the library at mail@killingworthlibrary.org. Extra copies will be available at the library.

EVERSOURCE NEWS

Eversource encourages customers to use payment programs

By Tricia Modifica, Eversource

With the start of a new year, Eversource is reminding customers to enroll in one of its payment plans or assistance programs to protect them from service disconnection by calling 800-286-2828. Both residential and nonresidential customers are eligible for payment arrangements at this time. Any residential customers experiencing difficulty paying their utility bill should contact Eversource's call center to inquire about being coded hardship. Any customers ineligible for hardship status, including both residential and nonresidential customers, should ask about the COVID-19 Payment Program.

Customers who've never needed assistance previously may not realize they qualify for protection from service disconnection and may also be eligible for other programs to reduce past due balances. For example, a household of five with an annual income of ~\$84 thousand dollars meets the state income-eligibility requirements. Eversource encourages all customers to contact the energy company at the number above or to check their

eligibility on the state income-eligibility matrix – and find out if one of the energy company's programs below could be beneficial to them.

"We want to help our customers enroll in the special payment plans available during these challenging times," said Eversource Vice President of Customer Operations Jess Cain. "Participation in a payment plan not only helps customers by arranging affordable monthly payments, it also protects them from service disconnection. We encourage customers to contact us so we can help them determine which of our flexible payment plans or special programs would be the most helpful to them."

Important Dates:

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New Start Program:

Customers can reduce or eliminate their outstanding balance in as little as 12 months when they make ontime monthly payments and Eversource will make up the difference.

Matching Payment Program:

· Customers who heat their home with

electricity or natural gas can get help paying their energy bill. Customers apply for the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) and set up an affordable monthly payment arrangement with Eversource. Customers receiving certain government benefits are eligible for payments as low as \$50 per month. For every dollar a customer pays toward their bill by the agreed-upon time each month, a dollar will be credited to their pastdue amount, down to a zero balance.

Customers can learn more about payment programs and enroll online at Eversource.com/BillHelp. Information on energy efficiency programs is available at www.energizect.com



I Hate To Tell You- But, What You Eat And How Much Matters. (Part I)

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

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



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

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

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Durability and walks in January

By Meghan Peterson, PhD

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One recent morning, I was taking a walk with my two boys; with Little Boy happily bundled in the stroller while Toddler Boy toddled alongside. All of a sudden, Toddler sets his eyes on a stick laying near the edge of the woods bordering the road and decides that it will make the most appropriate walking stick. "Mommy, a walking stick...it won't even break!" he shouts in excitement. I laughed, delighted at his observation of and appreciation for a stick that not only would assist him on our winter walk, but

LEGAL NOTICES

PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

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

1. Request to allow a 4 lot subdivision in R2-A zone. 565 Saybrook Rd with access from Walkley Hill Rd, Map 86 lot 2. Applicant: Catherine Ragozzino

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

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

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According to the free dictionary.com, durable means "capable of withstanding wear and tear or decay" as well as "lasting; stable." As we walked back to the house, the idea of durability got this millennial thinking about her generation, town, state and nation. What will it take for us millennials not to succumb to fear, for us not to break in the face of danger, for us to be steadfastly courageous? What does it mean to take a stand for durable things like truth, freedom, justice, equality – even if it means we may receive ridicule, critique, or threats? In pursuing these principles, are we ourselves able to withstand the wear, tear, and decay that inevitably come with life and its challenges? As I usually find, sometimes the best answers are supplied by the Toddler. Perhaps we just need a trusty, loyal walking stick by our side during those cold winter strolls.

PETS

Stormy

By Judith Levin

Stormy!

So how should I start poor Stormy's story. This poor dog came from West Texas experiencing a harrowing trauma to reach Brass City Rescue. She had been found dragging a chain. Not an uncommon

sight there but this time, the chain had been roped through her neck. It sickens me beyond words to even think about it but YES it's true.

Her neck was sliced open and a chain pushed through it to keep her in her yard. She escaped any-

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way and found angels that put her back together again. Stormy is dog aggressive and assumed cat aggressive as well. Despite all of this, she's absolutely the most AMAZING dog. She just LOVES people and kids, loves bones, toys, food, zero food aggression at all.

She's tough on a leash but that's workable. She's smart as

a whip and loves car rides. The rescue thinks leash and muzzle training may do her good. She was in a foster home with a docile large male dog in Texas and she loved him. But for now, she should probably be the only dog.

Some vital information on this sweet girl: Breed: Bull Terrier/Labrador Retriever Mix; Color: Black with White; Age: 4 years old; Size: 61-100 lbs. Current weight is 62 lbs.; Sex: Female; Pet ID: BCRA. She has been: Spayed; Up to date with shots; House Trained. Not good with dogs or cats; Good with People and Kids.

Looking at her beautiful face breaks my heart. Please, would you be willing to just bring her home and give her the life of luxury? Her adoption fee has been waived so to adopt, apply at www. brasscityrescue.org

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Free Virtual Professional Training & Development Classes

By Sierra Lopez, Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce

Chairman Tom Byrne of the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce announced that the chamber once again plans to offer the "Professional Training & Development Program", free of charge, in 2021.

This important workforce development program has trained over 2,000 people since its inception in 1986. It has received many awards along the way including a Presidential Citation, and The Governor's Laurel Award.

Chamber Workforce Development Director Lorenzo Marshall noted, "We are excited to offer many free classes for those who want to improve their skillset and improve their professional prospects. Due to the pandemic, the classes offered virtually. We are grateful to the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development for their support of this important program for our community."

Classes offered include:

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These programs are available to the public free of charge. For additional information on the program, please visit www.middlesexchamber.com and click on "For Business" tab. Please note that this program is grant funded and contingent on receipt of grant funds. To schedule a pre-course appointment, or for more information, please contact Lorenzo Marshall at 860-347-6924 or lorenzo@middlesexchamber.com

CAMPUS CORNER

Richard Vaughn, of Killingworth, serving in Leadership Position of Assumption University's Table Top Gaming

The Assumption University Office of Student Activities has announced that Richard Vaughn, of Killingworth, is currently serving as President of the Table Top Gaming for the 2020-21 academic year.

The Tabletop Gaming club joins together students interested in friendly competition in a number of popular tabletop games.

At Assumption, students have the opportunity to participate in more than 60 groups and organizations on campus that serve an array of interests including leadership, academic interests, club sports, performance, and media" said Sara Swillo Muckian, director of student activities and leadership development. "Student clubs and organizations complement classroom instruction by providing students the opportunity to plan a number of exciting events in which students use their talents and passions, as well as what they have learned in the classroom. In addition, clubs and organizations help to sustain the Assumption traditions beloved by students and alumni alike."

During the fall semester several student groups continued their important work virtually, such as collecting donations to purchase supplies for Veterans and raising money for a local charity that was used to buy Christmas gifts for children in need. These are two of many examples of how these student-run groups give Assumption students outlets to apply classroom knowledge to projects that help better both the campus and Worcester communities, network with professional, and learn important leadership skills.

For more information about Assumption's student activities, visit www.assumption.edu/cam-pus-life/student-activities

OBITUARIES

Sandra "Sandy" C. Moriarty

According to Legacy.com and The Hartford Courant, Sandra "Sandy" C. Moriarty, of Higganum, passed away on Wednesday, Dec. 30, 2020.

Josephine "Jo" (Grillo) Stak

According to Legacy.com and The New Haven Register, Josephine "Jo" (Grillo) Stak, of Killingworth, passed away on Jan.1, 2021.

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2020 Annual Report

By Olivia Drake, HVFCo Public Information Officer

HVFCo members volunteered over 5,000 hours serving our community in 2020.

In 2020, Haddam Volunteer Fire Company responded to a total of 463 calls for emergency services. Those incidents included:

37 fires (structures, vehicles, forest, cooking)

202 medicals

54 motor vehicle accidents (35 involved injuries)

9 rescues (extrication of victims from buildings, swimming areas)

21 hazardous conditions (flammable liquid or chemical spills, gas leaks, carbon monoxide incidents, smoke scares)

32 electrical (powerlines down, shorted electrical equipment)

24 public service and mutual aid

27 dispatched and canceled en route

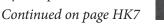
46 malfunctioning or false alarm activations (smoke and carbon monoxide detectors)

11 others (storm assessment, lockouts, smoke removal, steam leak, etc.)

COVID-19 was suspected on 22 of these calls, and confirmed on 4. In total, 185 Haddam residents tested positive for COVID-19 in 2020.

HVFC volunteers spent more than 2,120 combined hours responding to calls, and an additional 2,130 hours participating in meetings, drills, and training.

In addition, Firefighters Alison Halligan and Michael Saxton completed the Connecticut Fire Academy's 180-hour Firefighter I course; Firefighter Jarrod Ramsey completed the 90-





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Haddam Volunteer Fire Company 2020 Annual Report

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"Amid a global pandemic, our members volunteered more than 5,000 hours of their time giving back to the community," said Chief Sam Baber. "I am extremely grateful and proud of our members for putting forth such a strong and valiant effort to helping others."

In 2020, the company welcomed new Probationary Members Daní Rodríguez, Shannon Grimes, and Dylan Kessler. Newly-promoted Line Officers include Captain Joshua Meyer, Lieutenant Charlia Dourka and Lieutenant Ky

Charlie Rourke, and Lieutenant Kyle Everett. HVFC awarded years of service pins to nine members. All active members service pins every five years. Recipients include: Firefighter Ron Annino,



50 years; Captain Rich Zanelli, 45 years; Firefighter John Boothroyd, 40 years; Chief Sam Baber, 20 years; Captain Ed Adametz, 15 years; Firefighter Kyle Vallera, 10 years; Captain Joshua Meyer, 5 years; Firefighter Greg Duval, 5 years; and Chaplain Seth Nuzum, 5 years. In honor of his 50 years of service, July 6, 2020 was declared Ron Annino Day by the Town of Haddam.

Four Life Members (retired members who served for at least 15 years) passed away including Richard "Dick" Williams Jr. (who served 1962-1996); Tom Hartke (who served 1966-81); Erwin "Birdy" Burr Jr. (who served 1962-1984); and Phillip Frick (who served 1969-1986).

In October 2020, Haddam Town Clerk Scott Brookes, who served 25 years with HVFC and took Life Membership in 2002, retired as one of the Town of Haddam's Fire Marshals after 23 years.

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Remedial Action Plan to apply for a \$1 million clean up grant. They are also working on Candlewood Hill Road adjacent to Scovil Hoe, which includes a retaining wall, and improvements on the Green (including a water source for the Garden Club), among other things.

Community Septic: The concept of a community septic system was endorsed by State DEEP and State Health, and received funding in the Capital Budget as well as \$128k from the State Small Town Economic Assistance Program. In 2021 they will start a formal design of a community septic system and create a Water Pollution Control Committee (WPCA).

Rossi Site: The Board of Selectman, Board of Finance, and a Town Meeting authorized the First Selectman to sign a purchase and sale agreement which allocated funding for a Phase 1 environmental study. In 2021 they will present the results of the Phase 1 study and a plan to move forward.

Steady Habit Brewing – Steady Habits would love to remain in Haddam, but their moving has fallen

apart due to landlord-tenant disputes. They are looking at alternatives such as the Jail or Scovil Hoe.

Day Care in Tylerville: This project is fully approved. The day care provider remains committed to the project, however, the bank needs him to get his other facilities up to capacity before moving to this new project. Project cost: approximately \$2 million, but represents new jobs and new tax revenue, as well as an identified need in that section of the town.

Sidewalks on Bridge Road/Roundabouts: The final design plans have been submitted to DOT and DEEP. CT DOT announced in 2020 that they will construct a pedestrian crossing cantilevered off the swing bridge to connect Tylerville and East Haddam. In 2021, the town will contact owners to negotiate the acquisition of required easements. Also in 2021 the DOT will conduct public meetings regarding a roundabout at the intersection of Bridge and Saybrook Road.

Tylerville Multi-family: In 2020, the Planning & Zoning Commission amended the Tylerville Village Regulations to permit multi-family develop-

ments. Two developers are interested in high end multi-family projects. One developer has prepared an engineered design which is under review.

Haddam Center Sidewalks: The sidewalk reconstruction project is 100% funded by the State of CT and includes signage, landscape, benches, etc. The final plans have been submitted to CT DOT for final approval. A grant from Eversource allowed the town to hire the Historical Society to research key historical elements, which will be incorporated into the project.

Haddam Jail: In 2021, the disconnected septic issue will hopefully be addressed, and a reliable water source established. Bill Warner, Haddam's Town Planner, has shown it to developers and there was a restaurant group interested before COVID hit.

7 Island Dock/Hope Garden Wellness Center: This is the long vacant Marin Environmental Office building. The project will go forward in 2021. The project was bid and awarded to Quest Builders Group. It is a \$3.5 million project, which will create several new jobs, utilize local services, and restaurants.

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