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## Haddam Neck Fair to Run September 3-6, 2021

By Dianne McHutchison.

(May 4, 2021) — Having remained shut down for the year 2020 by the pandemic, The Haddam Neck Fair will be held this year over Labor Day Weekend, opening Friday September 3, 2021.

Haddam Neck prides itself on being rated as a Major Fair. As a genuine country and agricultural fair, it has many events some very similar to those of a hundred years ago.

There will be traditional events such as cattle and beef shows, goat and sheep contests and poultry and rabbit classes. Pulling contests for ponies, horses and oxen will be held as well as for tractors, trucks, and even a pedal pull for the kids.



Haddam Neck Fair

Other events include photo and baking contests, a quilt contest, spinning and weaving, arts and hobbies, a dog agility competition, a baby show and a general

store for purchasing items produced entirely in Haddam Neck by Haddam Neckers.

Contests offered all three days will include skillet throwing, red neck strongman and beard contests and a variety of events for children. Live music will play on Friday, Saturday and Sunday at the Bandstand and a 5K road race will run on Sunday morning. In addition, of course, there are rides, concessions, traditional fair food and walk around entertainment.

The Fair will abide by any Covid 19 regulations in effect at the time. Additional information is available at haddamneckfair.com.

Photo by Peter Smith.





## Higganum Farmers Market Starts June 4

By Kristy Benson.

The Higganum Farmers Market is pleased to kick off their second year of the revamped market that takes place in front of the Haddam Elementary School every Friday starting June 4th! Due to easing Covid restrictions, the market plans to run many themed days throughout the 17-week season, and they have much in store for the town. Every Friday (from 3:30-6:30 p.m.), expect to hear live music from area bands and solo artists, as well as entertainment and events for kids. Feel free to bring a chair or two and snack your way through the market!

This year, the market will run from June 4 through August 20, take a 3-week break, and return as a fall

market from September 17 to October 15. In the fall, expect to see a few new vendors and special events such as Artisans Day, Health and Wellness Day, and Build a Scarecrow Day!

The market has an active Facebook page where the weekly lineups are posted, so shoppers can plan ahead, and families can see what the music and entertainment schedule is. Follow the market to stay up to date and help us spread the word! The market also has a website, www.higgfarmersmarket.com, where one can find the list of vendors, the schedule, and the themed events.

Full season vendors include Wellstone Farm, Beck-Continued on page HK4

## Killingworth **Lions Annual** Night of Giving

By Austin Mirmina.

The Killingworth Lions Club hosted its annual Night of Giving Ceremony and presented its Citizen of the Year and Student Achievement Awards at Parmelee Farm in Killingworth on Wednesday, May 5.

The Lions Club awarded some of its \$53,000 in total donations to members from different organizations



Nancy Keyes, president of the Lions Club

around Connecticut. The integrated event took place for the first time since COVID-19 canceled large in-person gatherings last year.

"This is a chance where the Lions get to show everybody what they did this year," President Nancy Keyes said. "We want everybody in the community who is in need to be taken care of."

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## RSD#17 Begins Search for New Superintendent

By RSD#17 BOE.

The Regional School District #17 Board of Education has begun a search for a new Superintendent of Haddam and Killingworth schools after the resignation of Dr. Holly Hageman.

Board Chair, Suzanne Sack, says, "the District is stable at its core, largely due to Holly's leadership, and poised to plan for and execute an exciting future. As much as we wish for Holly to be a part of that future, we are grateful for her extraordinary dedication to the District."

Over the past few years, RSD #17 put into place a strong leadership team, launched a new Intermediate School, advanced to Chromebooks for all students, enhanced communication and trust with staff and the community and advanced a multitude of operational projects and building renovations. Most importantly, RSD #17 was one of the school districts in Connecticut that remained open, safely operating school in-person this year during the pandemic.

The Board has already begun the search process by appointing itself as a "Committee of the Whole." It will consider hiring an Interim Superintendent, using a search firm, and communicating its plans with the community and staff. Sack says, "the Board of Education will act judiciously and move expeditiously in finding a talented, caring, and inspirational Superintendent of Schools for RSD17."

Dr. Hageman served the District first as a science teacher, returned to the District as Assistant Superintendent, and then was promoted to RSD17 Superintendent of Schools. Sack observes that, "at each level, she served with distinction and dedicated herself

to putting student interests first and foremost." Her resignation is effective June 30, 2021.

On May 7th, Sack announced "Holly has accepted a position as a part-time Superintendent of Schools, working a schedule that will allow her to have more time with her family. This was a deeply personal decision for her." Dr. Hageman disclosed, "my decision to leave is wholly centered upon my need and desire to devote more time to my family - my young teenage sons, my husband, as well as my aging parents."

Sack adds, "in the meantime, we thank our staff and community for their partnership and support and trust that our team of dedicated professionals will continue to keep our students at the forefront of their care and work and we will continue to support them in any way possible."

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## Killingworth Lions Annual Night of Giving

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Around 100 people gathered under the pavilion as Lions Club members and attendees mingled before the awards ceremony. Space heaters scattered around the open-air pavilion kept people warm, and small light bulbs strung across the ceiling lit the round tables draped with white tablecloths and flowers.

Matt Albrecht accepted the Citizen of the Year award on behalf of his late father, Rick, who was a former first selectman and volunteer member of the Killingworth Fire Company and Ambulance Association. High school students Evan Ka-

moen, Jasmine Byrne, and Jackson Pitts also accepted awards for their service.



Matt Albrecht accepting award from First Selectman Cathy Iino on behalf of his father.

Kamoen, who is a senior at Marine Science Magnet High School in Groton, expressed his appreciation for the Lions Club supporting his desire to attend college. After graduation, Kamoen said he would be attending the University of New England to study marine biol-

Richard Bauer, who is the fire chief for the Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company, said the department, which has added five new members in the past six months, will use the donation to help offset the costs of sending its firefighters to conventions in Indianapolis and upstate New York.

Susan Wallace, who is the executive director of the Diocese of Norwich Outreach to Haiti, said the donation would help continue the organization's mission of providing an education and nutritional assistance to Haitian individuals. Wallace explained how natural disasters and tumultuous leadership have caused extremely difficult living conditions and forced Haiti into a state of desperation.

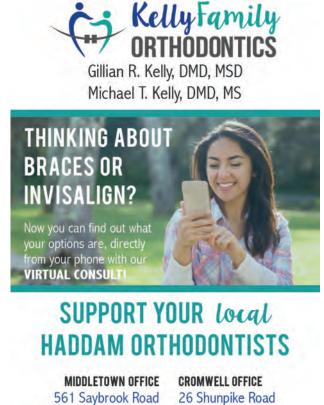
"I'm thanking you not just on behalf of [our organization], but I'm also thanking you on behalf of all the Haitians we help because you're giving them hope, and that's a hope they will pass on to others," Wallace said. The Lions also donated to two organizations that provide meals to the community.

Joshua Watkins is the executive director of the Community Soup Kitchen in New Haven. He said the soup kitchen is on track to double the amount of individuals it served in 2020 thanks to funding from the Lions Club and similar organizations around Connecticut.

Kelly Leach from the Helping Hands Food Pantry in Killingworth accepted the club's donation and gave an earnest speech about the organization's goal of de-stigmatizing hunger in Killingworth. She said the donation would help keep the pantry's shelves stocked full "and ready for anybody that walks through the door."

Photos by Austin Mirmina.





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## From the Desk of Bob McGarry

By Bob McGarry, Haddam First Selectman.

(May 9, 2021) — It's Spring! The birds are chirping, the flowers blooming and the days are getting longer so it must be time to start road work! In this month's column I'm going to discuss what we've planned for this year. As always, the project start dates and durations depend heavily on contractor availability, weather and the actual conditions found when the shovels hit the ground. I'll start with a repeat of last year's primer on road treatments.

- Chip seal A term familiar to most of us as we see it often. It involves covering the road surface with an emulsifier/binder and 3/8-inch stones and then rolling it.
- Shim paving Paving added to a road to establish the proper surface contour
- Mill and fill Remove the top one to two inches of pavement and resurface
- Grind, grade and pave The existing pavement is ground, regraded, and compacted. This is fol-

lowed by two layers of asphalt

Work has already started on High Street and Lake Avenue. Public Works is doing extensive drainage work there. That will be followed with grinding, grading and paving. The other roads planned for this year are:

- Ague Spring Road, Basket Shop, Blue Hills
  Road and Plains Road The unimproved (dirt
  or gravel) sections of these roads were covered
  with millings and rolled last year. To complete
  the upgrade, this year they'll be chip sealed. The
  upgrade produces a better road that requires less
  maintenance. It also qualifies the road for town
  aid road funding from the state. Unimproved
  roads don't qualify for those funds.
- Silver Springs Drive Chip Seal
- Mill Run Lane Chip Seal
- Arkona Drive Chip Seal
- Jackson Road Chip Seal
- Depot Road Mill and fill

- Dublin Hill Road Grind, grade and pave
- Calliari Place Grind, grade and pave
- Maple Avenue West Grind, grade and pave
- Parsonage Road Grind, grade and pave
- Thayer Road Grind, grade and pave

If the paving gods smile on us, we don't get hit by a tropical storm and we have a very good year, in the fall we may be able to get to:

- Cedar Lake Road Mill and fill
- Haddam View Heights Grind, grade and pave
- Laurel Heights Grind, grade and pave
- Maple Avenue East Mill and fill

Drainage work is done on all roads to the extent that it's needed. Poor drainage is one of the leading causes of road problems. All told, we're looking at over one million dollars' worth of road improvement. Most of that money will come from the bond we issued in June 2020.

#### HADDAM VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY

## HVFC responds to head-on, rollover crashes

By Olivia Drake, HVFC Public Info. Officer.

Haddam Volunteer Fire Company responded to two motor vehicle accidents on Friday, May 7, 2021.

At 5:55 p.m., crews were dispatched to Saybrook Road near the Haddam Transfer Station where a driver crashed into a guard rail and rolled his vehicle down an embankment and into Kriegers Brook. The driver self-extricated without injuries.

At 8:15 p.m., HVFC responded to a head-on collision at the intersection of Killingworth Road and Little City



Head on collision

Road. After being evaluated on scene by EMS personnel, the drivers of both vehicles were transported to Middlesex Hospital.

Firefighters closed one lane of traffic at both incidents.

Photos by Olivia Drake.



Car rollover





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We at Nutmeg Pharmacy are writing to you as the CDC and the State of Connecticut has loosened the current Covid Policies with regards to masks and social distancing.

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I am sure you are aware masks are an inconvenience to our vaccinated staff; but masks are respectful to those who have these conditions. Since even with vaccinations there is a risk of transmitting the virus. We have decided to take a higher standard. For the time being we will continue to wear masks in your presence.

We suggest masks be worn in our store, but for those vaccinated patrons who don't chose to wear a mask, please keep a social distance to those that are wearing a mask.

If you haven't been vaccinated and are physically able, please adhere to the mask wearing policy, as we all count on each other in our community.

We will still provide hand sanitizer even though tactile transmission is limited. And, as always look forward to your input as we slowly progress to herd immunity.

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#### **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. See hk-now.com for more information on calendar items.

#### Thursday, May 20

Haddam P&Z Meeting 7:00 p.m. - 9:00

Mystery Book Club - Hosted by KW Library 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss Destroyer An-

gel by Nevada Barr. Check back for meeting details.

HKHS Spring Choral Concert 7:00 p.m. Live-Streamed on H-K TV and Channel 18

HKHS Student Art Show - Earth & Fire Art Gallery, Essex 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

The Haddam Historical Society will hold an abbreviated Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 20 at 6:30 pm to elect new officers and board members. There will be a short presentation on

historic one-room schoolhouses of Haddam. The meeting will be held virtually on Zoom.

#### Friday, May 21

HKHS Student Art Show - Earth & Fire Art Gallery, Essex 10:00 a.m. -6:00 p.m.

St. Peter 2021 Tag Sale 8:00 a.m. - 3:00

#### Saturday, May 22

St. Peter 2021 Tag Sale 8:00 a.m. - 3:00

p.m.

HKHS Student Art Show - Earth & Fire Art Gallery, Essex 12:00 p.m. -4:00 p.m.

The Haddam Republican Town Committee is sponsoring a Green Up Day 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. All welcome. Volunteers meet at HES to pick up supplies. Garbage bags, gloves and masks will be provided. Dress for the weather, and do not bring pets. Rain-date is the following day.

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## Higganum Farmers Market Kicks Off June 4

Continued from page HK1 ett Farms, Cold Goats Farm, Bogue Farm and Bittersweet Farm. These small farms will be offering everything from seasonal produce to plants, eggs and artisanal teas.

Other full season vendors include local favorites such as Foxglove Soap Company, Andie's Cookies, Auntie Arwen's Spices, MJ's Custom Jewelry, Red Horse Pottery, bread from First Church, and Granny's Pie Factory. New to the market this season is a small business called 'The Pantry' and they will be offering fresh eggs, vanilla extract, New York Deli Pickles, Dilly Beans, Kitchen Sink Pickles (great for cheese boards), jams & jellies, fresh butter, small batch salad dressings, Mayo, aioli, garlic but-

ter, freshly ground wheat flour, grape juice, and more!

June 4th kicks off with the above vendors, plus Rogue Coffee Company, vending their delicious frozen drinks, frappes, and smoothies, and live music by the Auburn Mode.

Themed days kick off one week after opening, so on June 11th, be prepared to honor our frontline workers that have been and continue to be serving our community. Live music will be provided by Gale Gardiner, and Bittersweet Farm will be handing out free cups of iced tea to the frontline of Haddam. The fire department and ambulance crews will be on hand for kids to visit, and for us all to thank them for what they do.

June 18th is Pet Day and a costume

contest, so get those cute little critters dressed up and down to the market for an informal judging and parade! Special vendors that day will include Dog and Hen, Curly Tail Candles, Adlebrook Barkery, Rozz Squad Designs, and entertainment for the kids by TeachArt2Me. Expect to shop a variety of pet-themed products from candles to dog biscuits, paw balm, cat nip, nesting box herbs for chickens, and enjoy face-painting, henna tattoos, and balloon art as well! Live music will be provided by The Midnight Anthem.

June 25th is Eco-Awareness Day, and in addition to the regular lineup, special eco-themed businesses will be set up as well. The Haddam Land Trust, Sustainability Committee, Uconn Master Gardeners, Uconn Master Composters, The River Cog Regional Agricultural Council, and other civic groups will be on hand to spread awareness about recycling in town, composting, and sustainability. Guest vendors include upcycler Janet Varney, Noteworthy Crochet, Creative Sews, and more! Rogue Coffee Company returns for Eco day, and live music by Willie T and Doctor X. Kids! On Eco day (June 25) make sure to pop into the market to start some seeds and take them home with you!

The market is always looking for town groups and civic organizations to take part, especially on July 23rd, Haddam Appreciation Day, where the market will highlight all the wonderful businesses, groups, and people that make this town great.

Other exciting, themed days to mark on the calendar include July 30th – Kids

Day! TeachArt2Me will be on hand for face painting, henna and glitter tattoos, balloon art, and maybe even a visit from a live costumed character! Kids can join in a market-wide scavenger hunt, complete with prizes for the top

August 6th, Kids Become Vendors returns to the market, after a successful event last year, and we cannot wait to see what our local kids have created! Space is limited, so if any child wishes to sign up for a booth spot, please see or contact Market Master Kristy Benson.

This is Kristy second season as Market Manager, and she is so excited to unveil the plans for this year's market. Last year was a challenge in so many ways, and there were so many things that the market could not do. When farmers markets were deemed essential by the state, we were just grateful to set up every week, and provide access to food, farms, and fun things in a safe shopping environment. After last year, I think everyone realized how essential farmers markets really are – and not just for farms and food, but as a place for the community to gather, see their neighbors, stay up to date on what is happening in town, and have a place to go every Friday in the summer and enjoy all the amazing goodies that this town and its' small businesses have to offer. Kristy owns Bittersweet Farm, a small tea company that makes over 30 kinds of teas that vary from medicinal to seasonal and beverage teas. Bittersweet, and Kristy and her family, just relocated to Higganum in March of 2020 and are working on turning their 2 acres into a functional herb farm.

Kristy can be reached at kristy@bitter-sweetfarm.com (email) or by phone 860-918-2344.

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## Cougar Celebrations April 2021

By Debra Cumpstone, HKMS

We recognize students and their achievements and want to share these celebrations with you too. On Friday, April 30, 2021 HKMS held their Town Meeting where the following students were recognized.

Our Cougar Core Value Awards are given to students who exemplify one or more of our Cougar Core Values:

Respect, Responsibility, Acceptance, Kindness, and Perseverance. These Core Values were developed and accepted by Haddam Killingworth Middle School students, parents, faculty, and staff in 2016, and we recognize students each month. We appreciate these students' commitment to upmodels at HKMS.

Tyler Anderson Evan Bernier Dylan Brown Madalynn Catalano Liem Criscuolo McKenzie Czaja Alisya Dorman Christopher Frasco Julian Gartner Lauren Heath Molly Hoddinott Safina Hussain Christopher Kiszka Elna Krasniqi Jessica Mancarella Bailey Mandeville Daniel McCourt Ian McLean Caden McNamera Magdalen Miller John Moyher Finnegan O'Hanlon Molly O'Neal Michael Palmieri Frieda Petersen Josie Piela Devin Poglitsch Madalyn Schuler Olivia Scileppi Tyler Traczyk Lauren Wiese Jake Wolfradt

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Respect, Responsibility, Kindness

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## **Community Calendar**

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Virtual Super Saturday Storytime 10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

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Ten Towns: Chester, Clinton, Deep River, Essex, Haddam, Killingworth, Lyme, Old Lyme, Old Saybrook and Westbrook. Location Essex HHW Facility, Essex, CT Route 9 Exit 4

#### Sunday, May 23

St. Peter 2021 Tag Sale 8:00 a.m. - 3:00

Nutmeg Pharmacy will offer two Covid-19 vaccination clinics for 12+ year-olds 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parents must accompany any minors, 12 to 17 for sign off.

Call 860 345-3607 ext. 1 to schedule an appointment before summer vacation begins.

#### Monday, May 24

Killingworth BOS Mtg. (remote access) 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

The Haddam Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary regular monthly meeting on 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Company #1, 439 Saybrook Road. Members will discuss plans for their annual Memorial Day Clam Chowder Sale.

#### Wednesday, May 26

Haddam Annual Town Meeting - Vote on Budget 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Special Haddam BOF Mtg. to set Mill Rate after Haddam Annual Town Meeting ends.

HKHS Student Art Show – Earth & Fire Art Gallery, Essex 4:00 p.m. – 8:00

RiverCog Meeting (remote access only) 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. http:// www.rivercog.org

Haddam Conservation Comm. Mtg. 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

#### Thursday, May 27

HKHS Student Art Show - Earth & Fire Art Gallery, Essex 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. & 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Haddam ZBA Meeting 7:00 p.m. -9:00 p.m.

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## Senator Needleman's Legislative Update - May 7

By Norm Needleman, State Senator.

## **Extending Telehealth Services**

Telehealth services in Connecticut will be extended through 2023, providing health care providers and patients alike with increased flexibility and freedom to utilize tools benefitting public health. Extended services include allowance of audio-only telehealth and out-of-state providers being allowed to provide services as long as residents have liability insurance coverage. Telehealth has been a vital tool during the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure continued health success and strategies despite the virus representing a public health threat and will continue to offer members of the public with the care they feel most comfortable with.

#### Senate Bill 2 – A Sweeping Bill for Children's Health

Senate Bill 2 aims to take a transformative approach to how children's mental health, education, safety, early childhood care and equity is approached in the state, making changes to several dozen policies. Among the most important focuses are its emphasis on mental health support, including the introduction of "mental health wellness days" for students, a reoriented approach to education that

focuses on social and emotional needs of the student in addition to primary academics and the development of a new youth suicide prevention training program in a "train the trainer" model, where trainees will be able to educate others upon their completion of the program.

The legislation further takes steps to codify remote and virtual learning in education, including standards and practices to be developed to support that, and school districts will additionally begin offering remote parent-teacher conferences by telephone and video in addition to in-person lessons. The Department of Education will develop a document with information on educational, safety, mental health and food insecurity resources and programs.

Additionally, school lunch debt will no longer be punishable by refusal to serve, delayed service, designating a specific meal for that child or other similar discipline. Boards can also accept gifts, donations or grants from any source to pay off unpaid meal charges; families in need will be referred to food pantries, free/reduced cost meal applications and other resources as needed.

More beneficial parts of Senate Bill 2 include:

- Birth-to-Three services for children will no longer carry parent fees
- The Department of Children and

Families (DCF) will develop protocols to ensure children in care and custody receive familial visits

- DCF will develop an app for nonemergency incident reporting and communications
- Birth-to-Three will provide summer preschool to children turning three between May 1 and the first day of the next school year

A 25-member task force will be created to further study children's needs in Connecticut

#### **Absentee Ballot Option**

Connecticut voters will have the ability to vote by absentee ballot through November 3, allowing residents to participate in local budget, referendum, mayoral, town council, school board and other electoral processes without fear of public health concerns. This is an extension of legislation initially approved in 2020 that allowed absentee ballot voting for residents in the November 2020 general election, winter and spring special elections and other aspects of the electoral process.

#### PURA Proposes \$30 Million Penalty Against Eversource For Tropical Storm Isaias Response

The Public Utilities Regulatory Authority recently proposed a \$30 million civil penalty against Eversource for its failure to meet obligations to ratepayers in the wake of Tropical Storm Isaias in August 2020, the maximum allowable penalty by law, additionally proposing more than \$2.1 million in penalties for United Illuminating for its performance following that major storm. The penalties are not yet final and would be in addition to other financial sanctions imposed last week.

Under the new penalties, Eversource would be required to return \$28.4 million to ratepayers in the form of credits and pay a \$1.6 million fine to the state; United Illuminating would need to return \$1.8 million to ratepayers and send \$360,000 to the state. These penalties can be challenged in court by the energy providers. They are the result of an eight-month inves-

tigation after Isaias, a strong tropical storm, caused damage that left more than a million electric customers in the state without power, with utility responses seen as lacking as some customers were without power for up to nine days.

#### Announcing New State Investment in the Fight Against Invasive Aquatic Plants

In recent years, invasive aquatic species have caused significant issues in many of our state's natural waters. They can clog lakes and ponds and harm natural wildlife, also impacting the usability and recreation opportunities available to the public. When many ponds and lakes serve as local recreational draws, they can even negatively impact local economies.

This week, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection announced the recipients of the inaugural round of grant funding through the Aquatic Invasive Species Grant Program, with a total of \$360,000 going to 21 projects to reduce impacts of aquatic invasive species on inland waters in Connecticut.

I am proud to have voted in 2019 for the legislation that made the Aquatic Invasive Species Grant Program possible and honored to join in the announcement of the program's inaugural grant recipients.

Among the projects receiving grant funding are:

- Two from the Connecticut Agricultural Experiment Station valued at a combined \$36,000
- The Connecticut River Conservancy will receive \$45,505 to create a management plan for Hydrilla, an invasive species, and to coordinate hand removal of water chestnuts in the Connecticut River watershed

Towns in the 33rd District including East Hampton, Lyme and Old Lyme have experienced growth of invasive weeds and algae in their waterways and bodies of water in recent years, as has the Connecticut River. The Connecticut River flows through and directly impacts nearly every municipality in the 33rd District.



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## Modifying a Custody or Divorce Case After Judgment By Attorney Makana A. Ellis

Divorce and custody judgments are based on the conditions which existed at the time of the judgment. Important changes can occur which make a previously entered judgment or court order no longer applicable. A substantial change in circumstances may warrant a post judgment motion to modify custody, parenting time, alimony, and/or child support. Every change in circumstances may not warrant a modification, however. For example, courts typically will not allow you to modify orders concerning real property or personal property, post judgment. It is important to talk with an attorney familiar with the relevant laws and recent court decisions before you attempt to modify a judgment.

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## Twenty-nine Killingworth Wells Tested for PFAS

By Cathy Iino, First Selectwoman, Killingworth.

Results are in from 29 private wells in Killingworth tested for PFAS (a group of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances now thought to have adverse cumulative health effects). The CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection had these wells tested because they are near the Beechwood Community's wells, which tested positive for PFAS in March. Of the 29 wells tested, 11 showed no PFAS; 16 showed PFAS at levels below the Connecticut Department of Public Health's action level of 70 parts per trillion; and 2 had a level of PFAS higher than 70 parts per trillion. Residents using these 2 wells have been advised not to use their water for cooking and drinking. DEEP is in the process of making bottled water available to them under a state contract and funding.

This round of testing began after the Connecticut Water Company, which provides water treatment for the Beechwood 55+ Community, announced that water samples taken at Beechwood wells were found to contain PFAS. The existing treatment system delivers water to Beechwood customers that is far below the CTDPH Drinking Water Action Level and the Environmental Protection Agency Health Advisory Level for PFAS. But because PFAS was found in

the Beechwood system, DEEP began an investigation to try to identify and address the potential source of the PFAS and determine whether PFAS is present in other wells in the area.

PFAS water testing was also conducted at the Haddam Killingworth Intermediate/Middle School, Killingworth Elementary School, Town Hall/Fire Station, and the Killingworth Library. The level of PFAS detected in the Killingworth Intermediate/Middle School was significantly below the action level set by DPH, and therefore no further action is needed. No PFAS was detected in the library water. Water at KES had 47 parts per trillion of PFAS—below the action level, but high enough to trigger additional testing. KES has been using bottled water since the initial Beechwood findings and will continue to do so.

The Town Hall/Fire Station results showed a significant level of PFAS—1788 parts per trillion. The Town Hall and Fire Station 1 have been using bottled water for other reasons for decades and will continue to do so. This result, however, led DEEP to initiate a second round of testing of private wells in Killingworth. DEEP has identified 22 properties near Town Hall for testing and had 18 wells tested this

week. Results will be available in 3-4 weeks.

The Town will continue to communicate as we work with DPH and DEEP to make sure our water supplies are safe. If you have any questions, please call the Killingworth Health Department at 860-663-1765, x223.

#### **REGISTRARS OF VOTERS**

#### September 14, 2021 – Municipal Primary (TBD)

By Raymond Skarsten & Kate Wessling, Haddam Registrars of Voters.

June 14, 2021 is the last day to switch from one party to another party to vote in the Municipal Primary on September 14, 2021 (TBD). However, this does not apply when switching from unaffiliated to a party membership. If you are unaffiliated and want to vote in the Municipal Primary, you can switch up to 12:00 Noon on the last business day before the primary, which is Monday, September 13, 2021.

For more information, call: 860-345-0979 / registrar@haddam.org

#### **HADDAM TOWN NEWS**

#### Haddam Green Up Day Planned for May 22

By Gigi Simko.

The Haddam Republican Town Committee is sponsoring a Green Up Day on Saturday, May 22, 2021 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Volunteers are asked to meet at Haddam Elementary School at 9:00 a.m. to pick up supplies. Garbage bags, gloves and masks will be provided. Please dress for the weather, and do not bring pets. Rain-out date is the following day.

For more information, contact Jessica Condil at the condils@yahoo. com or Bob Siegrist at robert.siegrist@gmail.com.

#### **DEATHS**

#### John "Jack" Cernan

John "Jack" Cernan, 83, of Higganum, beloved husband of Elizabeth "Betty" (Church) Cernan, passed away on Tuesday May 11, 2021.

#### Lorraine H. (Kulas) Spulick

Lorraine H. (Kulas) Spulick, age 82, of Higganum, beloved wife of the late Carl A. Spulick passed away on Wednesday, May 5, 2021.

#### Glenn R. Hunter,

Glenn R. Hunter, 71, of Killingworth, passed away on Friday, May 7, 2021.

#### Lillian (Heath) Nosal

Lillian (Heath) Nosal, formerly of Higganum, passed away on Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

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## Senator Needleman's Legislative Update - May 7, 2021

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I welcome this new funding for programs that aim to fight these scourges head-on, cleaning up our rivers, lakes and ponds.

## "Say Yes to Connecticut" Summer Tourism Campaign

The state will launch a new summer marketing cam-

paign through September 6 titled "Say Yes To Connecticut," promoting safe travel and aiming to fuel the state's tourism industry recovery following the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. "Say Yes" comes after a year of having to "say no" to doing many things due to the pandemic – with high vaccination rates and reductions in COVID-19 spread, this summer is expected to give residents plenty of fun things

to do. The Office of Tourism found there is growing optimism among Northeast consumers about this upcoming summer and there is significant pent-up demand for travel, especially regional travel. The campaign will feature hundreds of businesses and activities across the state including hotels, inns, bed and breakfasts, museums, historical sites, arts and cultural venues, wineries and breweries and many more.



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## Boys Lacrosse Defeated by Valley Regional 12-11 in overtime

By Mike Kelly.

Sometimes the sequel is even more dramatic than the original. While the first game between conference rivals Valley Regional and Haddam Killingworth Boys Varsity Lacrosse was exciting, the second game on Tuesday night, May 11, 2021 was a heartstopper. Trailing by two goals late in the fourth quarter, the visiting Cougars staged yet another dramatic rally, tying the game with literally seconds left on the clock. Unfortunately for HK, however, the magical comeback bid stalled in sudden death

overtime. The Warriors won the faceoff and scored quickly on a fast break. Final score, Valley 12, HK 11. This was the first conference loss for the Cougars, and their second overall. They are now 7-2 on the season.

Before the game started a moment of silence was held in honor of Boone Miller. Both teams wore a special decal on their helmets in honor of Boone, a young man who tragically passed away earlier in the year. Boone was a friend and former youth lacrosse teammate to players from both squads.

The game began with a fast break from the faceoff X and quick strike for Valley, putting them up 1-0. Soon after HK's Cal Braren hooked up with his brother-in-arms Nolan Braren to tie it 1-1. Valley again responded with a nice behind the back score from the doorstep, 2-1. HK then capitalized on a man-up opportunity, when Middie Aiden Coleman unleashed an overhead step-down hammer to tie it, 2-2. Valley returned serve with another fast break and quick strike for the 3-2 lead. Moments later Middie C. Braren, working from the X, found his brother N. Braren again to tie the game 3-3.

At the start of the second quarter Freshman Middie Cooper Savoy drew a tripping flag, managed to regain his footing, and fired a strike from seven yards out for the go-ahead goal, 4-3. Later in the





Left: Nolan Braren #23. Right: Sam Young #22.

second C. Braren (this time without his broth-

er) launched a burner into the upper right corner of the net for the 5-3 HK advantage. Middie Coleman then found Savoy on the doorstep for the one-timer, 6-3. Then, right before the half, C. Braren banged one in off both posts for another score, giving HK a 7-3

Momentum began to swing against the Cougars in the third period. Valley scored early in a manup situation to close the deficit, 7-4. Moments later they scored again on a fast break, 7-5. Then again in the third they found the back of the net on an easy transition goal, 7-6. The beginning of the fourth did not go well for HK either. Valley scored twice quickly to take an 8-7 lead, and suddenly the Cougars were trailing for the first time since the opening minutes of the game.

A goal from HK's Savoy stemmed the Valley momentum tide a bit, tying the game at 8-8. Attack N. Braren then added another score with a savvy rebound put back of his own shot, 9-8. Valley returned the favor with a bouncer out front, tying the game 9-9, and then scored again with 3:40 left to take the lead, 10-9. The Warriors won the ensuing faceoff and struck again on a fast break, making it 11-9.

The HK Cougars, as anyone who has watched this team this season might expect, refused to go

gently into that goodnight. With less than 2 minutes remaining the Braren brothers hooked up again for a score, with Cal feeding Nolan on the left post for the step-down strike. Then, as the clock nearly struck zero, Middie Savoy side-armed a beauty for the equalizer, sending the game into overtime.

If these teams match up again in the post-season, bring your popcorn. It could be one for the ages. Photos by Liz Griswold.

#### **LEGAL NOTICES**

**LEGAL NOTICE** TOWN OF HADDAM, CT TOWN MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters and/or taxpayers of the Town of Haddam that the Annual Budget Town Meeting will be held at the Haddam Fire Station #1, 439 Saybrook Road, Higganum CT on Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm for the following purpose:

- 1. To elect a Moderator
- 2. To vote on the Capital Improvement budget as detailed by each project totaling \$1,021,991 (project authorization)
- 3. To vote on the annual budget recommended by the Board of Finance for the fiscal year July 1, 2021 – June 30, 2022.
- 4. To do any and all things legal and necessary to accomplish the above-named purpose and take any other action that may legally and properly come before the meeting.

A complete detailed copy of the 2021–2022 budget on file at the Town Office Building, 30 Field Park Drive, Haddam CT 06438 and online at www.haddam.org

Stay up to date on the Budget — Sign up for alerts www.haddam.org/subscribe - Select "Town News & Announcements" under the "News & Announcements" heading.

Dated in Haddam, CT this 20th day of May, 2021 Board of Selectmen-Robert McGarry, Kate Anderson and Sean Moriarty.

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## Boys & Girls Track Beat E. Hampton, Continue Undefeated Season

Matt Diglio, Coach.

On Tuesday, May 11, 2021, the Haddam Killingworth High School boys and girls track teams continued their undefeated dual meet season as they competed in a home meet at the Dick Dupuis Track against East Hampton HS.

Both the boys and girls team came away with victories on the day as the boys defeated East Hampton by a score of 103-42 to improve their record to 4-0 on the season. Leading the way for the Cougars were the following event winners: Zenon Kolcio 110 hurdles (17.0) and 300 hurdles (47.7), Max Cozean 800 (2:06.5), John Bruder shot put (51'1") and discus (111'2"), Caleb Freeman 1600 (4:52) and 3200 (10:33), Aidan Law long jump (18'0") and high jump (5'4"), Eamon Sweeney javelin (138'3"). The boys 4×800 (Alex Lara, Caleb Freeman, Andrew Hedges, Max Cozean) and 4×400 (Max Cozean, Julian





Left: Cooper Howes clearing the pole vault. Right: Gabby Lester winning the discus.

Houde, John Kowal, Andrew Hedges) relays were also victorious on the day helping the team score valuable points.

The HKHS girls team also improved their record

to 4-0 as they won a close meet over East Hampton by a score of 79.5-70.5. Leading the way for the Cougars were the following event winners: Kedarjah Lewis 100 (11.9), long jump (17'7"), and triple jump (34'10"), Leah Chester high jump (4'10"), Gabby Lester discus (91'7") and shot put (29'7"), Isabel Berardino 3200 (13:17). The girls 4×800 (Kathy Melgar, Brianna Minervino, Isabel Berardino, Meara Bodak) and 4×100 (Hadley Comerford, Leah Chester, Ly-Linh Criscuolo, Mai-Ly Criscuolo) relays were also victorious on the afternoon to help lead the girls to their victory.

The track teams will next be in action on Saturday, May 15, 2021 as they travel to New Haven to compete in the Hillhouse Invitational and then again next Tuesday, May 18, for their final dual meet at home against Hale Ray.

Photos courtesy of Yvette and John Minervino.

#### **HKHS SPORTS: BASEBALL**

### **HKHS Defeats** Morgan 10-4

By Mark Brookes, Coach.

The Haddam Killingworth High School Varsity baseball team defeated Morgan in Higganum on Wednesday, May 12, 2021 by a score of 10-4. HK pushed across 6 runs in the 4th to win for the 11th time this season. Alex Sheehan and Callen Powers had 2 run doubles in the inning. Sheehan and Caven Burrell had three hits each for HK. Bailey Goss had two hits for Morgan.

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Batteries: Morgan - Garrettt Garbinski, Ethan Renaudo and Ryan Hromadka. HK - Alec Erskine and Nick Glynn. WP Erskine LP Garbinski

Records: HK 11-4, Morgan 7-8

Photo by Sharon DiMauro.



Alex Sheehan, junior.

#### HKHS SPORTS: SOFTBALL

#### **HKHS Beats Valley**

By Jeffrey Talbott, Coach.

The Haddam Killingworth High School Varsity Softball team defeated Valley Regional High School on Monday, May 10, 2021 at home by a score of 4 to 3 in eight innings.

HK's Madison LaTouche and Audrey Snyder each had rbi singles in the bottom of the 8th inning to score 2 runs to edge Valley Regional 4-3 in eight innings. Kaleigh Bodak pitched 7 1/3 innings striking out 7 and allowing only 1 earned run. Valley had taken the lead in the top of the 8th on a rbi single by Cede Peno. DP Kenzie Mule had two doubles for Valley and scored one run. HK's Cheyanne La-Touche had an rbi triple for HK.

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Batteries, VR Anna Benson and Sam Pierce. HK Kaleigh Bodak and Maddie LaTouche.

The Cougars are now 11-1, while Valley falls to 3-9. HK next plays at Morgan on Wednesday, May 12,

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## Connecticut Connections to World War II

By Tom Piezzo, Brainerd Memorial Library.

This presentation focuses on stories related to Connecticut residents who fought in the second world war from 1941-1945. Few people realize that of the over 9,000 Americans buried in the famous American cemetery in Normandy 3 are women, and 2 of those women were from Con-

necticut! Few also realize that the highest-ranking American general killed in the war was heroic General Maurice Rose of Middletown, CT, who served under General George Patton. The interesting stories of the 6 Fuller brothers from Suffield who served in the war is also part of the presentation, as is the story of Ulmont Whitehead of Hartford, killed aboard the USS Arizona during the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor.

Wednesday, May 26, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. via Zoom. Register at www. brainerdlibrary.org. Zoom info will be sent on 5/25 to all registrants.

#### **WORD SEARCH**

#### **Insects**

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The remaining letters spell an additional insect.

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#### **HVFCo AUXILIARY**

#### **Chowder sale**

By Betty Cernan, HVFC Auxiliary.

The Haddam Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary will hold their annual clam chowder sale on Monday, May 31. This event is held across from the

town green at the Community Center immediately following the Memorial Day parade. A cup of chowder is \$3; a quart will be sold for \$10. Quarts should be ordered in advance by calling 860-345-8245 and they must be picked up by 11 a.m. in the Community Center kitchen.

#### **HKHS SPORTS: TENNIS**

## Boys Tennis Loses to East Hampton, Defeats Coginchaug

By Rod Pakus, Coach.

(May 12, 2021) The Cougars lost a Shoreline Conference match against East Hampton by a 6-1 Match score. A standout performance by H-K freshman Eddie White winning an exciting three set comeback at #1 singles prevented a shutout win by East Hampton. H-K followed that match with a 6-0 win on the Coginchaug courts.

Individual match scores are as follows:

#### 5/10/21 East Hampton at H-K

- #1 Singles Eddie White (HK) d Sam Gibson (EH) 5-7, 6-2, 6-2
- #2 Singles Pat Gaurylchak (EH) d Charles Martino

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(HK) 6-3, 6-3

- #3 Singles Konrad Piech (EH) d Sean Mercier (HK) 6-4, 6-0
- #4 Singles Ben Fields (EH) d. George DiNapoli (HK) 6-2, 6-1
- #5 Singles Anthony Miro (EH) d. Joe Mercier (HK) 6-4, 6-1
- #1 Doubles E. Fields/Anderson (EH) d. Guarino/ Hedges (HK) 6-3, 4-6, 6-2
- #2 Doubles Howard/Pell (EH) by forfeit

#### 5/12/21 H-K at Coginchaug

- #1 Singles Eddie White (HK) d. Paul Beisler (C) 6-0, 6-1
- #2 Singles Charles Martino (HK) d. PJ Casey-Leonard (C) 6-1, 6-0
- #3 Singles Sean Mercier (HK) d. Luke Charest (C) 6-2, 6-0
- #4 Singles Joe Mercier (HK) d. Zack Ryer (C) 6-3,
- #5 Singles Jack Walsh (HK) by forfeit
- #1 Doubles Guarino/Hedges (HK) by forfeit

#### **Boys Tennis Defeated by Old Lyme**

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By Rod Pakus, Coach.

Haddam-Killingworth High School Boys Tennis lost a Shoreline Conference match at Old Lyme on Friday, May 7, 2021 dropping all the singles and doubles matches played in straight sets. Joe Mercier and Charles Martino played tough, competitive singles matches for the Cougars.

Individual match scores are as follows:

#### 5/7/21 H-K at Old Lyme

- #1 Singles George Danes (LOL) d. Eddie White (HK) 6-0, 6-1
- #2 Singles Griffith McGlihley (LOL) Charles Martino (HK) 6-3, 6-1
- #3 Singles Pat Dagher (LOL) d Sean Mercier (HK)
- #4 Singles Sam Koenigs (LOL) d. George DiNapoli (HK) 6-1, 6-3
- #5 Singles Jed Arico (LOL) d. Joe Mercier (HK) 6-4, 6-3
- #1 Doubles Leaye/Klier (LOL) d. Guarino/Hedges (HK) 6-0, 6-0

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## Middlesex Chamber Supports Connecticut's Tourism

By Sierra Lopez

(Middletown, CT.) Chairman Tom Byrne of the Middlesex County Chamber of Commerce announced that the Central Regional Tourism District, housed at the Middlesex Chamber, hosted a successful Brochure Swap this past Friday at the Courtyard by Marriott Hartford Cromwell.

The Brochure Swap was created by the Central Regional Tourism District to help support Connecticut tourism businesses that are struggling due to the pandemic. 65 Central Connecticut Tourism Representatives, as well as Middlesex Chamber Members, were invited to this outdoor Brochure Swap to share and exchange brochures to help visitors and residents explore Connecticut's hidden gems!

In case you missed the Brochure Swap, all brochures can be found in the Middlesex Chamber of Commerce's Tourism Room that displays all of the Central Regional Tourism District brochures along with Member brochures that advertise things to do in our great state.

The Middlesex Chamber and the Central Regional Tourism District is also ramping up to help promote CT Trails Day and Connecticut Open House Day in partnership with Connecticut Office of Tourism. These particular days will also help residents and visitors explore Connecticut's fascinating world of history, art, culture, nature, adventure, and more!

CT Trails Day is a two-day national event, held on the first weekend in June that pays tribute to all of the wonderful trails our state has to offer. This year, CT Trails Day will be on Saturday, June 5 and Sunday, June 6, 2021. If there was ever a time to celebrate our amazing Connecticut trails, 2021 is that time! Trails and open spaces have become the places to escape to and enjoy in challenging times. This year's Trails Day will be different, but the spirit will be the same. To register, visit the CT Forest & Park Association's website, www.ctwoodlands.org/ct-trails-weekend.

Connecticut Open House Day, now in its 17th year, is an annual event that will be held on Saturday, June 12, 2021. The purpose of this event is to inspire Connecticut residents to experience local treasures

in their own backyard, with the anticipation that they will become local ambassadors who will recommend these experiences to other visitors.

Connecticut Open House Day, hosted by the Middlesex Chamber of Commerce's partner, the Connecticut Office of Tourism, has been reimagined in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and resulting restrictions, offering in-person and virtual experiences. Residents will find a variety of experiences to explore from museums, arts and cultural venues, historical sites, galleries, nature centers and other attractions online at www.CTvisit.com/CTOpenHouseDay.

Middlesex Chamber Vice President and Executive Director of the Central Regional Tourism District Johanna Bond noted, "CT Trails Day and Connecticut Open House Day have always been a fantastic way for residents to discover and rediscover the diverse offerings in our beautiful state. I would like to encourage everyone to venture out to Connecticut's wonderful trails and explore our partner, Connecticut Office of Tourism's website, www.CT-visit.com on Connecticut Open House Day!"

#### **THEATER**

## Oddfellow Playhouse Presents 'Twilight: Los Angeles 1992'

By Dic Wheeler, Oddfellows Playhouse.

Oddfellows Playhouse is bringing in-person theater back to central Connecticut! The Teen Repertory Company will be performing Twilight: Los Angeles, 1992, by Anna Deavere Smith May 20 – 29 in Middletown. Twilight: Los Angeles, 1992 will be performed in the rear parking lot of the Salvation Army at 515 Main Street. Performances will be at 6 pm on May 20 – 22 and 28 – 29. Seating is limited and reservations are required. The production contains mature material and strong language and is not recommended for small children.

Twilight is a powerful piece of documentary theater exploring the riots following the acquittal of the police officers charged in the beating of Rodney King. Originally performed as a one-woman show

by author Deavere-Smith, the play features over 20 characters representing many perspectives on the incident – including Rodney King's aunt, Korean grocery store owners, LA Police Chief Daryl Gates, gang members, Congresswoman Maxine Waters, truck driver Reginald Denny, the leader of the Black Panther Party, and others. The play remains relevant today — the two-weekend run will coincide with the one-year anniversary of the death of George Floyd in Minneapolis.

Oddfellows Executive Artistic Director Dic Wheeler, who is directing the production, says "This has been an amazing piece to work on right now, especially with our very diverse cast and production team. Watching the trial of Derek Chauvin unfold while immersing ourselves in the story of Rodney King has been powerful and painful for everyone; we're all in the journey, and we're aiming to bring ourselves and the audience to a place of Hope and Justice at this moment in history". Choreography

for the production is by Felicia Goodwine; Vocal Director/Assistant Director is Diamond Wynn; Costume Designer is Vijor McCray; Properties Designer Pamela Lang; Sound Designer Rowan Trowbridge-Wheeler; Stage Manager Jen Rankin; and Sound Engineering by Thunder and Lighting.

Tickets for Twilight: Los Angeles, 1992 are \$15 for adults and \$8 for students. "Big Heart" tickets for \$25 are available for anyone wanting to support Oddfellows' work with young people, the arts and social justice. Tickets may be purchased at www.oddfellows.org or by calling (860) 347-6143.

Oddfellows Playhouse Youth Theater, founded in 1975, is located at 128 Washington Street in Middletown. The Playhouse offers classes, performance opportunities and events for young people ages 3 – 20, with an ongoing commitment to Equity and Accessibility. The Children's Circus of Middletown, now in its 33rd amazing summer, is a 5-week day camp for kids ages 5 – 15 – registration is open now!

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## May 2021 Book Picks

Submitted by team at Brainerd Memorial Library.

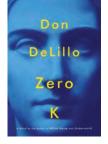
(May 12, 2021) Looking for something new to read? The staff at the Brainerd Library is here to help with book recommendations as varied as the staff itself!

In the Month of May, we have recommendations from Jenny, Kelly, Jessie, Emily, and Tom. More thoughts on these books can be found at the Brainerd Library's Goodreads. All recommendations can be accessed through the Brainerd Memorial Library. Give us a call at 860-345-2204 or email us at library@brainerdlibrary.org and we can make sure the book is waiting for

you when you get to the library.

#### Zero K by Don DeLillo

Jeffery Lockhart joins his father to say an uncertain goodbye to Ross's



wife as she decides to preserve her body for a future that could cure her failing health.

#### We Hunt the Flame by Hafsah Faizal

An Arabic setting where a girl dresses as a boy to feed her village and an assassin forced to kill for the evil sultan. They are each

sent on a mission to the magical island Sharr in the hopes of finding the lost key to magic.

#### Wilder Girls by Rory Powers

The girls at the Raxter School have been under quarantine since the Tox mutated their bodies. When Hetty's best friend goes



missing, she risks everything and face unknown horrors to find her.

#### The Girl in the Mirror by Rose Carlyle

Twins Iris and Summer lead very different lives, but when Summer goes missing Iris takes her place to try to

gain the hundred-million-dollar inheritance from her father.

#### Princess Bride by William Goldman

Buttercup agrees to marry Prince Humperdinck when her true love Wesley is killed by the Dread Pirate Roberts. But Buttercup is kidnapped by Vizzini, Fezzik, and

Inigo on her engagement day and the



Bag Man: The Wild Crimes, Audacious Cover-Up, and Spectacular Downfall of a Brazen

fall of a Brazen Crook in the White House by Rachel Maddow and Mi-

chael Yarvitz
The untold story of keeping a more corrupt Vice President from taking over after Nixon's Watergate.

three men have to race against a man

in a mask to keep their prize.

#### **Small Spaces by Katherine Arden**

Ollie sees a crazy woman throwing a book in a river, so she rescues the book. But when the story starts to happen in real life, Ollie's field trip won't be a normal one.



#### **CAMPUS CORNER**

## **Students from Local Towns Receive Recognition at Universities**

Editor's Note: Information comes from Merit Pages News unless otherwise indicated.

#### Business Information Student Connor Chute of Higganum inducted into Delta Mu Delta Honor Society

Eastern Connecticut State University inducted 25 students into the Delta Mu Delta Honor Society (DMD) on May 6. To be eligible, students must have a 3.25 major GPA and be in the top 20 percent of their graduating class.

Among the inductees were: Connor Chute of Higganum, a junior majoring in Business Information Systems.

#### Anna Biondi qualified for the Spring 2021 Dean's List at Belmont University

Nashville, TN (05/12/2021) – Anna Biondi qualified for the Spring 2021 Dean's List at Belmont University. Eligibility is based on a minimum course load of 12 hours and a quality grade point average of 3.5 with no grade below a C.

#### Elena Hughes – HKHS '08 Receives Honors Award

Campbellsville, KY (05/12/2021) "This is for students, parents and friends, CU faculty, staff and coaches. All of you, thank you for coming," Dr. H. Keith Spears, interim president, said at Campbellsville University's virtual Honors and Awards Day on April 21, 2021.

Many students were recognized for various awards and honors, including:

Beth Kemper Memorial Scholarship – Elena Maria Hughes of Deep River, Conn. (2018 graduate of Haddam Killingworth High School)

Nicole Pasqurell, of Higganum, CT, named to the Dean's List at Saint Leo University

#### **CARTOON**

Mac O'Moodus

Roger Straub



Time and Space

By Deb D'Amico.

Nicole Pasqurell, of Higganum, CT, was named to the Dean's List at Saint Leo University located in St. Leo, Florida for the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021

semesters. Undergraduate students who have earned at least 12 credits with a term grade point average of 3.65 or higher are recognized on the Dean's List.

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