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Haddam Neck Fair 2021 photos and contest winners

By Sharon Challenger

The 109th Haddam Neck Fair ran from Friday September 3, 2021, through Monday September 6, 2021.

Contests held this year:

- Skillet Throwing contest
- Beard contest
- Multiple Birth contest
- Special Sunflower contest
- Redneck Strongman contest

Events included:

- Antique Tractor Pulling
- Farm and Modified Tractor Pulling
- Truck Pull - Street Stock
- Truck Pull - Modified

Flower Entries:

Award of excellence for Garden Bouquet:
Samantha Danaher, Haddam Neck
Lisa Murphy, Haddam
Maureen Pach, Moodus

The Baby Show winners are as follows:

Prettiest Baby Boy 6 months or under: Desmond Collazo, Killingworth
Prettiest Baby Girl 6 months or under : Evette Nablo. Haddam Neck
Sweetheart Trophy: Fiona Macaulay. Haddam Neck
Chubbiest Baby Boy 13-18 months Eric Johnson, Moodus



Zach Marciniac. Photos Courtesy of Haddam Neck Fair.



Shark Quilt.

Chubbiest Baby Girl 6 months or under. Erin Johnson, Moodus
Prettiest Baby Girl. 7-12 months. Oakleigh Catucci, Moodus

State Baking Contest: Apple Pie Winner

Melissa McLean, Haddam Neck

Photography: Best of Show under 16:

Delaney Aranson, Higganum

Hidden Lake's 2021 Tractor Parade

By Sharon Challenger

Labor Day weekend typically brings up memories of picnics and outings at the beach, but residents in one local neighborhood celebrate differently.

In Higganum, the residents of Hidden Lake have been celebrating Labor Day weekend by hosting an annual tractor parade for the last twenty years, maybe longer. The tradition was started by Gunnar Grenman, resident of Higganum and former Transfer Station employee who lost his life in a boating accident in 2018.

Andy Munson, a Hidden lake homeowner explained, "Kurt (Tiger) Carlson and his wife Yvonne organize it, and everything begins at their house at noon with a kind of potluck picnic."

Then around 1:00 p.m. Andy and his wife Lori drove to the other side of the lake for beverages "and a couple of rounds of God Bless America at another neighbor's house."

That was followed by "having hot dogs at a neighbor named Larry's house, and on to another neighbor's for a half hour or so for more camaraderie."

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Photos by Lori and Andy Munson.

Injured person airlifted by Lifestar to trauma center

By Deputy Chief Bill Shipman, KVFC

At approximately 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday August 31 the Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company, Killingworth Ambulance Association and a Middlesex Health Paramedic were dispatched to



Photo by Deputy Chief Bill Shipman.

a residence on Route 148 for the report of an injured person from a fall. First responders arrived on scene

and found a severely injured person and the decision was made to airlift the patient by Lifestar helicopter to a trauma center.

A landing zone was established at the Killingworth Recreational Park on Parker Hill Road Extension.

The patient was transported by the Killingworth Ambulance accompanied by the Middlesex paramedic to the landing zone and was transferred to Lifestar for transport to the trauma facility.

The KVFC would like to thank all of the responders for the tremendous teamwork as well as the excellent support from Valley Shore and as always, the Killingworth Ambulance, Middlesex Health and Lifestar.

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2021 Candidates: Haddam Zoning Board of Appeals



Kate Wessling (D).



Robin Munster (R).



Betsy Clifford (D).



Neal Sakash (D)
for ZBA Alternate.



Jessica Labbe (R)
for ZBA Alternate.



Susann Costa (D)
for ZBA Alternate.



Margo Chase-Wells (R)
for ZBA Alternate to fill
vacancy for 2 years.



Jane Baird (D)
for ZBA Alternate to fill
vacancy for 2 years.

We reached out to both the Haddam Republican Town Committee and the Haddam Democrat Town Committee and asked candidates to respond to a set of questions; if a candidate did not respond, their name is listed, so that you know who is running for each office.

Updates from all candidates are welcome and will be published as Letters to the Editor. The questions posed to the candidates were:

- Tell us a little about yourself.
- Why are you running for the position?
- What do you see as the important issues facing Killingworth and how would you address them in your role?
- What are the key things you love about this town and its people?
- Additional thoughts to leave voters with?

Kate Wessling (D): My husband, Scott MacDonald, and I, and our son have been residents of Haddam for 33 years. As a Family Physician, Kate worked for 10 years in the Higganum Family Medical Group then moved on to the Community Health Center. I practiced in CHC offices that served this district and others for many years.

Recently retired, I have become more active in

local politics and service, joining the Haddam Democratic Town Committee, working at the polls during COVID and canvassing for federal, state, and local elections. In January of this year, I became the Democratic Registrar of Voters when my predecessor stepped down. It has been a real pleasure to work collaboratively with the Republican Registrar and Deputy, Ray Skarsten and Diana Cottrell as well as the new Democratic Deputy, Gretchen Teran.

My experiences have created a growing interest in learning more about town history and function, about the concerns and interests of our growing population. With that in mind, I have been studying zoning regulations and reviewing minutes of ZBA meetings as well as speaking with board members to understand how the board functions.

I value the quality of the school system, the many quiet stories of kindness of neighbors, the informality of the lifestyle.

I look forward to another chance for working cooperatively and learning from other town residents.

Robin Munster (R): I have lived in Haddam for 21 years with my husband Eric and two children Victoria and Wyatt. I was the Treasurer for the Town of Haddam for 8 years (2011-2019) and currently I work as the Office Manager for MHK in Guilford.

As of right now, I am the longest seated member on the Zoning Board of Appeals. The board benefits from a mix of new members and members who have been seated for several terms which provide experience and bring in new perspectives. I believe my time given on the board and also having been seated as chairman has brought balance, leadership and experience. I wish to continue this for another term.

ZBA is about working with the zoning regulations and the

applicant, finding that balance and understanding the hardship of the applicant. We do not have many meetings so when we do, we make it a point to be prepared, listen to all parties, and ensure everyone leaves understanding the information given and the decisions voted upon.

Haddam is 46 square miles of land with an amazing small town feel. Whether you are going to the Transfer Station or any small business in town, you will always run into someone you know. We are often slow in moving forward but it is because of not losing sight of what we have. I do see good things happening in the future with our town and I am excited to be here when they come to fruition.

I have always been involved with the communities I have lived in as this is where you make the biggest impact. You see Haddam everyday whether it is running an errand, traveling to your job or an event in town and you may not really think about your influence. With so much happening on the state and national level, don't forget where you live and how simple it is to make an impact in your home town.

Betsy Clifford (D): I have lived in Haddam for more than 46 years. I spent my working career primarily in banking, retiring as a commercial real estate underwriter in 2020. I have a BS in English from CCSU as well as a paralegal certificate from U of Hartford. I feel this background is good preparation for a role on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

I am running for office because I believe in fulfilling one's civic duty and working to make one's hometown a better place to live. I joke that in retirement my husband and I moved three miles south – to another part of Higganum. I have previously served for many years on the library board and in other roles in town. I believe the Zoning Board of Appeals is an important and necessary asset to any town, as governed by state statutes.

I believe the most important issue facing Haddam is, and has been for many years, its direction of growth. There have been some exciting things happening in town recently, including the preservation of Haddam Elementary School and Higganum Cove as well as progress on Brownfield properties. I also perceive an increase in farming and an increased sense of

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land stewardship. Haddam's current greatest asset is its rural nature and its woodlands, which must be tempered with the need for development. My intent in serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals would be to hear each appeal on its merit.

As a resident of Haddam for more than 46 years, and having raised two children here, I value this community, its people, and its resources.

It is important to exercise your right to vote on the local as well as the state and national level. I hope that you will do so in November.

Neal Sakash (D) for ZBA Alternate: I and my young family moved to Haddam a year and a half ago after falling in love with one of the town's historic worker homes. I was further attracted to Haddam because of the great school system, natural beauty, and proximity to my employer, Whelen Engineering, where I work as a software developer.

I am running for ZBA because I would like to preserve the character of Haddam's rural villages while also allowing the town to grow and attract new residents of all backgrounds and means.

The town has many exciting projects on the horizon for both Higganum and Tylerville. Completion of these projects will no doubt bring new residents to town and the need for affordable and multifamily housing will likewise increase. I believe the ZBA plays an important role in facilitating these needs and would be honored to participate as a committee member.

I'm very fond of Haddam's numerous hiking trails, scores of historic houses, as well as proximity to Middletown, and look forward to my son attending HK's highly rated schools.

Jessica Labbe (R) for ZBA Alternate: Jessica Labbe was born and raised in Haddam, Connecticut. Her family has been in town for many generations, and she believes it is a great place to live. She graduated from Haddam Killingworth in 2013, and bought her first home in Higganum in 2018. She enjoys being a part of the community and spending her time volunteering as a Zoning Board of Appeals Alternate. She was elected to the position in 2017 and has greatly appreciated her time serving her fellow townspeople.

Susann Costa (D) for ZBA Alternate: Hello everyone! My name is Susann Costa and I am running as a Democratic Candidate for Zoning Board of Appeals/Alternate position. I am a retired registered nurse and also owned a family run shoreline business for 33 years with my husband, David. I have two grown children and two grandchildren.

I have lived in Haddam for 17 years and during those years have served our community by choosing Haddam Historical Society as my focus. I was on the Board of Directors for 4 terms and served as President for three years. I now serve as chair of three committees at HHS....Scholarship, Social and Nominations. I also was selected to represent Haddam on The CT Regional Mental Health Board in Middletown several years ago.

I care about Haddam. This is why I am running for this position. I will be able to represent Haddam in a fair, clear and decisive manner no matter what appeal is presented.

It is important that we maintain our historic town with good decisions regarding its future. I believe that when Zoning decisions need attention, the task before the Zoning Board is very important and not to

be taken lightly. All sides need to be looked at and the ZBA must be careful to maintain and insure future positive growth in Haddam in every one of these decisions. They affect ALL of us.

I live here in Haddam because it is a beautiful town with beautiful, friendly people. The beauty of this town is visible every time I drive down the road. We are so fortunate to have natural resources, beautiful architecture, a stunning river and waterways along with forests, trails, parks and woodlands to enjoy each and every day.

I am honored to be running for ZBA as an Alternate and hope I can count on your vote. Thank you.

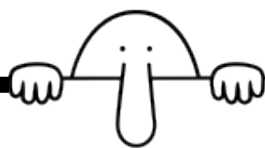
Margo Chase-Wells (R) for ZBA Alternate to fill vacancy for 2 years: I am running for Zoning Board of Appeals because I want to serve my community.

My family moved to Haddam in 1984 and I embraced this warm and welcoming town. I immediately got immersed in the coaching sports scene, serving on the Little League Board, on the Youth Soccer Board and founding T-ball in Haddam. I taught aqua aerobics at HK Recreation and got heavily involved in my church. I joined the Haddam Hiking Club and I support local businesses and the Farmers' Market.

I served faithfully as a commissioner on Planning & Zoning Board for 8 years and most recently 4 years on the Zoning Board of Appeals. On these two boards I enjoy interacting with the citizens of Haddam and helping them out as a board member in their individual circumstances.

Currently I am a retired teacher with a Masters' Degree from SCSU. I believe my qualifications make

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Thursday, September 16

Haddam P&Z Meeting 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Love2Sign with Jaye – Killingworth Library 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

Jaye Carlson returns with a fall session of Love2Sign! Fun, interactive sign language classes for children ages 6 months to 6 years old.

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Mystery Book Club – Killingworth Library 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Join us as we discuss *The Absent One* by Jussi Adler-Olsen. Extra copies will be available at the circulation desk.

Friday, September 17

Fall Market Opens – Artisans Day 3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Entertainment – John Brown and the Back Porch Pickers

Saturday, September 18

Household Hazardous Waste Collection 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Essex HHW Facility, Essex, CT Route 9 Exit 4

Sunday, September 19

Ron Booth Mission Golf Outing 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

8:30 a.m. Registration / 9:30 a.m. Shotgun Start Lyman Orchards Golf Club, Middlefield, CT Register by credit card or by mailing a check payable to Golf Registration, The First Congregational Church of Haddam, PO Box 215, Haddam, CT 06438.

Monday, September 20

Haddam Seniors Fall Festival 11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. St. James Hall, Higganum.

All Haddam Seniors are invited. Rain or shine – indoor dining. Entertainment. Transportation will be provided if needed. RSVP to Susan Ruddy 860-345-4049.

Haddam BOF Meeting 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Haddam Inland Wetlands Comm. Mtg. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Killingworth Charter Revision Comm. Mtg. (remote access) 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 21

Tech Tuesday – Killingworth Library 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

The library is offering half hour private sessions for tech support every Tuesday. The sessions are limited to one person at a time. Register in advance. 860-663-2000

Killingworth P&Z Comm. Mtg. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Town Office Bldg.

RSD #17 BOE Mtg. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Location: HKIS

Wednesday, September 22

Haddam Sustainability Mtg. 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Killingworth Comm. on Alternative Housing Mtg. 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (remote access)

Thursday, September 23

Love2Sign with Jaye – Killingworth Library 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.

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me an excellent candidate for ZBA

Jane Baird (D) for ZBA Alternate to fill vacancy for 2 years: I have lived in Haddam since 2002. My husband, Peter, and I have two sons who have both attended HK schools. For nearly 20 years, I have worked at Connecticut Children's Medical Center, most recently as Senior Director for External Affairs where I lead advocacy efforts in support of public policies that influence children's health and wellbeing. I currently serve as Chair on the Board of Directors of two nonprofit organizations, Haddam-Killingworth Youth and Family Services (HKYFS), which is committed to supporting HK youth and families and promoting a healthy community, and the Southside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance (SINA), which aims to improve the quality of life in the south end of Hartford.

Through my work I am very familiar with the inner workings of government at the federal, state and local levels, but I have never served in an elected capacity previously. My professional experience has taught me that public officials are most successful when they

engage their constituents with openness, honesty and respect. With that in mind, I hope to play a collaborative and helpful role on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

Haddam is a community filled with caring people and abundant natural beauty. Like many communities around the state and nation, some of our people and businesses have struggled during the pandemic and it is the role of municipal government to support our town on a successful path forward. I would like to bring my understanding local level service delivery and community development to my role on the Zoning Board of Appeals. My experience at SINA has also taught me the extent to which housing, zoning and land use policies can impact the health and vibrancy of a place.

My interest in serving comes from my years as a mom watching my sons' excellent experiences growing up in this supportive community. Although I grew up in the Maryland suburbs of Washington DC, I love Haddam's small-town vibe and abundant outdoor recreation resources as a frequent hiker and bicyclist.

Haddam has many unique assets and I hope my service can contribute to our future success.

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2021 September Events at Killingworth Library

By Tammy Eustice, Assistant Director

Killingworth Library and Phil Devlin present President James A. Garfield on September 28th
Join the Killingworth Library for a presentation by retired HKHS teacher Philip Devlin:

President James A. Garfield: a Re-Examination. Tuesday, September 28th at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

This program re-examines the life of the poorly understood 20th American President. Garfield possessed remarkable qualities of character and had an enormous impact on his world. He was a brilliant mathematician, for example, who made a lasting contribution to geometry. Furthermore, despite not having a military background, he used his mathematical skill to win a major Civil War battle against a West Point graduate and was eventually promoted to be a general. Garfield had many connections to Connecticut residents, especially in the town of Haddam. A boat disaster off of the coast of Old Saybrook in 1880 is directly linked to his assassination.

To join us and learn more fascinating facts, please register through the Calendar on the library's website - killingworthlibrary.org - or contact the library at

860-663-2000. A Zoom link will be sent to registered attendees the day before the program.

Killingworth Library Tech Time - Tuesdays at 2!

The library is offering half hour private sessions for tech support every Tuesday at 2:00 p.m., starting in September. We can teach you how to download e-content to your mobile device, provide assistance with Microsoft Office, or other answer other tech questions. The sessions are limited to one person at a time, so please register in advance through the Calendar on our website, or contact the library at 860-663-2000.

Killingworth Historical Society Christmas Fair Preview at the Killingworth Library

The library's September display case features a special "sneak peek" of the Killingworth Historical Society's upcoming Christmas fair. You may see handmade ornaments, botanical arrangements, special gift baskets, Icelandic sweaters, mittens and hats by local knitters, and other unique items - just a sampling of what will fill the Parmelee farmhouse in December!

September is Library Card Signup Month!

Libraries around the country, in partnership with the

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Access to informational, educational, and fun databases (all available on our website): BookFlix (read-alongs for children), Consumer Reports Online, Mango Languages, JobNow and Cypress Resume, Nuwave Legal Documents, and researchIT CT (State-funded free access to databases covering everything from health, business, and law to history, genealogy, and student resources).

So register for a library card - in September or any other month - by visiting the library, or email us at mail@killingworthlibrary.org. Then start exploring all the benefits! Special this month: all new card registrants will receive a small welcome gift: light-up pens for adults, and a special certificate, bookmark, and sticker for kids!

FAMILY/COMMUNITY

Hidden Lake's 2021 Tractor Parade

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The parade winds its way up Hidden Lake, down and around Charles Mary, and out to the cul-de-sac on Morgan's Way, where participants are met by a group of residents who serve dessert!

It doesn't end there, Andy concluded, "Finally, it's up the street to one more house where everyone parks and eats again! Last night they were making pizzas!"

Andy and his wife Lori left for home at around 6:30 p.m. feeling quite content and most likely well-fed.

"It's a long day but a great way for the neighborhood to end the summer," he concluded.

This year's parade involved 45 tractors or "units" as they are referred to. The parade vehicles included tractors, golf carts, jeeps, and a Kubota tractor-loader backhoe. A new vehicle appeared in the parade, a bright blue Ford tractor with small blue cars attached for children to ride in. The cheerful little Hidden Lake Train was a big hit with many of the neighborhood children.

CAMPUS CORNER

Killingworth student graduates from Case Western Reserve University

By Robin Chasse

Benjamin S. Chasse of Killingworth received a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Case Western Reserve University, graduating Magna Cum Laude. Ben completed over 1600 clinical hours in Cleveland Clinic and University Hospital in Cleveland, OH and is currently employed with Yale-New Haven Hospital in their Cardiothoracic ICU. Ben remains active in the Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company as a Firefighter 1 and EMT.

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An extraordinary summer

By Terry Twigg

Labor Day is upon us, the kids are back to school, and the sun sets earlier every night. Officially, there are still three weeks until the end of summer, but despite what the calendar says, I'm already starting to look around and reflect on the record-breaking "learning experience" that was the summer of '21.

My gardens are, in a word, a shambles. Now, some of that is my fault. I started the summer determined to re-glaze all the windows in my long-neglected house. Out of seventeen, nine are finished, five are in progress, and three still in their frames mock me. I work on them mostly in the mornings, before it gets too hot, and whatever gardening I manage is sandwiched in the sliver of evening after it cools down but before the mosquitos attack. So I have an excuse, or at least an explanation, for the crabgrass plantations that replaced flower beds. But much of what went wrong this summer is attributable to the extraordinary weather.

Last year my newly built vegetable garden was blessed with beginner's luck. I grew bright purple eggplant, orange and green tomatoes, lettuce and peas, even a few squash before the squash vine borers prevailed. This year was a very different story.

I had never quite gotten around to putting in an irrigation system this spring, but as it turned out, I didn't need one. This July's rain was more than seven inches above normal, and though I never planted mushrooms, they grew everywhere. Leaves mildewed, blossoms melted in downpours before they could be pollinated, and tomatoes rotted before they ripened. Not that it mattered much: A woodchuck discovered my garden this spring. He (or she) likes to sample every surviving tomato, taking a single bite from each. My entire row of cabbages, and the adjacent row

of kohlrabi, lost their heads. An eight-foot-high fence may discourage the deer, but it's clear that, if I want to harvest anything next year, I'll have to extend the fencing below ground level, all the way around. Not what I had in mind when I took those archaeology courses.

I couldn't even grow zucchini! The easiest vegetable to grow, the butt of gardening jokes because of its relentless productivity, but I, a Master Gardener, managed nothing but a single stunted fruit that rotted before it turned green. Butternut squash are supposed to be almost foolproof, too, but not for this fool. Squash plants, like most fruits, only produce fruit when pollen from a male flower is transferred to a female flower. It's fairly easy to tell one from the other: Female flowers have a small embryonic fruit at their base, while males have only a stem. But I've been checking all summer, and there are no females. Blame it on the perpetual heatwaves: when the temperature rises above 85 degrees or so, plants get stressed and may produce only male flowers. July of this year, which should have been prime zucchini-growing season, was the hottest month ever recorded. A sobering reminder that climate change isn't an abstract idea but a practical threat.

Strange things happened in the flower beds, too. August into October are the glory days for dahlias, and mine are starting to bloom in earnest, but many varieties are unrecognizable. My prize "Café au Lait" were a romantic creamy buff to blush pink last year, but this summer they're blooming an insipid yellow and unappealing mauvey-purple. Last year's standout orange varieties are muddy and faded, and even the yellows lack conviction. These aren't just the same varieties, mind you. They're the exact same plants, dug up last fall, carefully labeled and packed away for the winter. Dahlias have eight sets of chromosomes

instead of the more usual two, which allows for dramatic variability, but they're also blessed (cursed?) with plasticity, meaning they're known to change color and/or form from one year to the next, or even during one growing season. All I can do is hope the colors

I so admired last year return when the cooler weather finally arrives.

In my courtyard, the usually well-behaved nepeta and beebalm that were only two feet tall last year are above head height, and so is the anise hyssop. Like most of the perennials, all three bloomed early but faded fast in the uncommon heat. On the bright side, last year's cleome self-seeded everywhere. The sparkly pink and white flowers, gorging on constant rain and heat, crowd against the apple trees, jostle with the ageratum, and even make themselves at home in the crevices of my new stone walkway. They and the coneflowers are favorites of a pair of goldfinches and a newly resident hummingbird.

Speaking of birds, before I finish, I am pleased to tell you that the Audubon Society believes it's safe to start setting out bird feeders again. For the birds' sake, it's still important to practice good hygiene. Clean the feeders and bird baths at least weekly. Use bleach, and be sure to rinse thoroughly (if you can still smell the bleach, keep rinsing). Our goal is to keep the birds well-fed and healthy through the coming winter, so that, come spring, they can rebuild their numbers.

Cherish September, and the hoped-for temperateness it may bring.

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LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF HADDAM INLAND WETLANDS COMMISSION

The Inlands Wetlands Commission of Haddam, Connecticut has given the following agent approvals:

1. A permit to allow for a single family 2 bedroom dwelling within upland review area, located at 201 Wig Hill Rd, Haddam CT, map 69 lot 6. Applicant/Agent - William Hevein
2. A permit to allow for a single family dwelling and detached garage located at 286 Silver Spring Drive, Map 35 lot 13-56 Applicant/agent - David Heer

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

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2021 Candidates Killingworth Zoning Board of Appeals

We reached out to both the Killingworth Republican Town Committee and the Killingworth Democrat Town Committee and asked candidates to respond to a set of questions; if a candidate did not respond, their name is listed, so that you know who is running for each office.

Updates from all candidates are welcome and will be published as Letters to the Editor. The questions posed to the candidates were:

Tell us a little about yourself.

Brian Patrick Young (D): I have lived in Killingworth for 23 Years with my wife. We have three boys, two currently in the RSD17 school system and one in college. I have worked at Yale University for the last 30 Years. I have been on the Killingworth ZBA (Zoning Board of Appeals) since 2004.

Graig Judge (R): I have lived in Killingworth since 2008 and have worked in town at my family business, Interstate Batteries of Connecticut, since 1999. I hold a Bachelor's Degree from UCONN in History and Political Science. My amazing wife Sarah and I live with our lovely daughter Fiona. We have two dogs who are very spoiled. I also serve on the Killingworth Volunteer Fire Company as Rescue Lieutenant.

Benjamin Charney (D) for ZBA Alternate: My name is Ben Charney and I am running for reelection to the Killingworth ZBA because volunteerism is it at the heart of what it means to live in Killingworth.

John Mancini (R) for ZBA Alternate: A Killingworth resident for the past 25 years, I've made a successful career in the financial services industry with over 30 years of finance and credit experience. My hobbies include boating, camping and enjoying nature at its fullest. I reside with my wife, Tina and our two dogs. We have a grown son and have joined the ranks of Grandparents with a beautiful granddaughter recently.

Why are you running for the position?

Brian Patrick Young (D): I believe deeply in our rural community and want to see it protected for future generations.



Brian Patrick Young (D).



Graig Judge (R).



Benjamin Charney (D) for ZBA Alternate.



John Mancini (R) for ZBA Alternate.

is able to preserve the character of our Town while enhancing the Grand List which keeps our mil rate low.

What are the key things you love about this town and its people?

Graig Judge (R): I love the passion our volunteers have in town, from the Parmelee Farm, the Fire Company, the Ambulance Association, the Lions, to the group taking care of the circle. Without the numerous hours of

volunteer labor donated to the town, Killingworth would not be the beautiful quaint New England town it is.

Brian Patrick Young (D): What I love about this town and its people is that it is a friendly, rural community where people can raise a family without worry.

Benjamin Charney (D): What attracted us to Killingworth is the rural beauty; the secluded oasis just moments from the Shoreline. Upon calling Killingworth home, it has been the spirit of volunteerism and selfless dedication to the community by the community that truly makes this a special place.

John Mancini (R): A wonderful sense of community and diversity in a small New England town. It always amazes me how generous the townspeople are to each other in time of need; and how significant volunteerism is in the town.

Additional thoughts to leave voters with?

Brian Patrick Young (D): Whoever you vote for, please think about what you love about where you live and vote for those who you believe will protect it.

Graig Judge (R): In order to get anything done with a small municipality such as Killingworth requires getting out and doing, which is just part of what I do. My motto is put on a mask or whatever the tool you need for the specific job is and get to work.

Benjamin Charney (D): While most residents may never have the opportunity to come before the ZBA, our Board serves a vital function within town. Should you ever have the need for our services don't be worried about the process, we're here to help.

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State Police Academy graduation

By CT State Police

(August 26, 2021) The CT State Police Training Academy held a graduation ceremony for 100 graduates in Hartford at the Dunkin Donuts Park. The new graduates are members of the 130th Training Troop of the CT State Police Academy.

The troop's academy classes began on January 15 and were initially held remotely due to COVID-19. On May 17, the troop arrived at the CT State Police Academy to continue their 32-week training in residence.

Training education included:

- Over 1,500 hours of training online, and in-person (in small groups).
- Physical conditioning, driving, water rescue, and

other specialized areas of police work.

- Physical confrontation, taser, gas, OC spray exposure, academic firearms, emergency vehicle operations, first aid, tactical first aid for patrol, and water safety.

- Ten days of training spent on practical, and wellness exercises & evaluations in simulated scenarios.

Connecticut State Police-Troop F Westbrook

On 8/30/2021, Troop F in Westbrook, CT welcomed 9 Trooper Trainees who recently graduated from the Connecticut State Police Academy. These new Troopers will be paired with an experienced Field Training Officer for an extensive training period.

Photo courtesy of Connecticut State Police



Troopers respond to two gas station robberies in Haddam and Killingworth

By CT State Police

On 09/08/2021 at approximately 0232 hours, Troop F received a report of an active glass break alarm at 1016 Killingworth Rd (Mobile) in the Town of Haddam. Minutes later at approximately 0238 hours, additional troopers were dispatched for the report of another glass break alarm at 237 RT-81 in the Town of Killingworth (Shell). It was verified that suspects attempted to steal an ATM at the Mobile and successfully stole an ATM from the Shell.

The suspect vehicle, which had engaged in pursuit with Troopers, was identified as a dark blue Toyota Sedan with misuse plates CT REG AZ92032. This vehicle is also suspect to various gas station break ins that same night in Rocky Hill. Suspects are difficult to identify due to black ski masks.

This case is currently under investigation by Trooper Bickford #918 and anyone with any information can contact Troop F Westbrook at 860-399-2100. Any tips can be made anonymously.

Photo provided by CT State Police.



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HADDAM TOWN NEWS

Swing Bridge Inspection Sept. 13-17 & Sept. 20-24

By Town of Haddam

Lane closures on Route 82 (Bridge Road) will be implemented. These traffic restrictions will be conducted from approximately 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Traffic disruption is expected to be minor and traffic control will be handled by TranSystems personnel in accordance with the Connecticut Department of Transportation's "Work Zone Safety Guidelines for Maintenance Operations."

HADDAM REGISTRARS

Voter Registration Summary Sept. 1, 2021

By Raymond Skarsten and Kate Wessling, Haddam Registrars of Voters

Town of Haddam – Voter Registration Summary September 1, 2021

District	Democratic	Republican	Unaffiliated	Other	Total
001 Firehouse	917	777	1336	46	3076
002 Central Office	756	751	1242	40	2789
003 Haddam Neck	98	83	90	2	273
Totals:	1771	1611	2668	88	6138
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