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Photos from Shoreline Conference Meet by Yvette Minervino.

Higganum's Steve Bibisi Raises Funds to Feed Widows & Children in Ukraine

By Kathy Brown



Photos courtesy of Rabbonis Love.

On March 9, Doreen Staskelumas posted on the "You Live in Haddam If..." Facebook page about her friend Steve Bibisi, who lives in Higganum, and has a nonprofit that has been helping widows and orphans from Ukraine. She also posted a link to this article from the Better Business Bureau about the nonprofit. According to the BBB article, Steve has made

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HKHS Indoor Track 2022 Season in Review

By Dick Dupuis, Coach

Indoor Track and Field has some unique features. From a competitive perspective, the focus of the teams is to perform their best at the Championship level as most meets involved a large number of teams and are not scored. In our program, and most other programs in Connecticut, that means the Conference and State Championships are the primary competitive focus. These meets have performance standards for

individuals and relays that must be met in order to participate, not unlike qualifying for the Olympic trials. Thus, while the goal for all of the athletes is to improve in whatever they are doing, the focus at these meets is to attain the qualifying standards which collectively will result in the team's best performance at the Championship level. Realistically for HK, that generally means the Conference Championship.

Looking at what faced the girls and

boys teams this season, the challenge would be daunting. On the girls side, Old Saybrook was easily the favorite, while East Hampton would be challenging for second place. Often they were in separate events, so there were few head-to-head matchups in events. Most of HK's points came from field events and relays. The Cougar girls managed to score in all four of the Field events contested, providing 30 points for

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Books, Community, Conversation, Supporting Haddam's Library: Friends of Brainerd Memorial Library's Favorite Things

By Meghan Peterson

At Haddam's Brainerd Memorial Library (920 Saybrook Road), you will find books, newspapers, movies, music, and a vivacious group of people who help to make all that possible: The Friends of BML. A committee of the Library's Board of Trustees, it serves the institution and broader community in a number of ways.

Before we get to the work of the Friends, let us meet the people behind

that work. On a recent bright, sunny Thursday morning, the Friends graciously spoke with me about who they are and what they do to assist the day-to-day operations of this town's community resource. In particular, I met with four dedicated Friends who shared a bit of their background and what magnetized them to become involved with Brainerd Memorial Library. Their energy effervesced

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Some of The Friends - l to r: Kaycee Blancaflor, Cheryl Czuba, Donna Brinckerhoff, Kit McKinnon. Photo by Tom Piezzo, Director of Brainerd Memorial Library.

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throughout the discussion – enough to bring the books to life on the shelves surrounding them.

Kaycee Blancaflor has lived in town and called it home since 1992. In 2016, after Kaycee filled out a request for Friends of the Library volunteers on the back of a Friends fundraising flyer, Cheryl Czuba, Chair of the Friends, reached out to Kaycee. As they say, the rest is history: Kaycee has been involved with the Friends ever since. Even during Kaycee's move to Utica, NY, she remained in active contact with the Friends and helped organize various events – albeit remotely. Indeed, Kaycee speaks about the “strong connection” that she and the Friends maintained despite the distance. Now that she is back in Haddam, that connection has only continued. Kaycee also fondly recalls the community service hour

project her son did in organizing old, worn books within a building the Friends affectionately refer to as “The Shed.”

Cheryl Czuba, Chair of The Friends, has been with the group since 2013. She also serves on the Library's Board of Trustees. Cheryl notes that “the previous President of the Friends was Mary Aduskevich, who served in that role for over 20 years. She and her husband Peter were recognized with the BML Long Time Support of the Library award. in 2020.”

Cheryl points out the importance of community and how vital the Friends are to fostering as well as preserving the Library's robust presence within Haddam. Moreover, while it is a very literary group, the Friends also has a presence in the tech world. To wit, BML Assistant Director Robbie Marshall and Circulation Assistant Jenny Law



The Friends' Merchandise. Photos by Meghan Peterson.



The Book Nook, one of many projects courtesy of The Friends.



New Baby Gift Swag, courtesy of The Friends.

sell books on Amazon – on behalf of the Friends. Czuba explains, “[t]hey are incredible supporters. They help us dream up great ideas for Friends projects. The staff and Friends are a team!”

Kit McKinnon is a recent retiree, bidding adieu to her nursing career of 43 years. Upon her retirement in August 2021, Kit saw in crystal clear fashion the urgent mental and physical health linkages that reading – and reading within a closely-knit community – provide. “Reading is healing,” she explains. Being a part of The Friends and being a part of a book

group at BML “feed that well-being level,” according to Kit.

Donna Brinckerhoff has been living in Haddam since 1991. Upon her “renaissance” (what Donna lovingly refers to as her retirement from a long

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five mission trips to Ukraine to help widows and orphans.

I was intrigued and contacted Steve to find out more about his work with the nonprofit Rabbonis Love, who he connected with through his church, Masters Table Ministry, located in Wethersfield. Steve has lived in Higganum for about four years. "I originally went to Odessa, Ukraine, to meet some friends that I had over there," explained Steve. "But what I saw there changed my life. I could not go home and just live my life. I needed to do something to help them."

He said that people live in tiny rooms with paper-thin walls. Children and parents shared the same room. He saw an elderly lady selling flowers

outside of a grocery store just to survive. According to the Rabbonis Love website, there are 10,000 children in Ukrainian orphanages. So, he partnered with Rabbonis Love to raise money and give groceries and supplies that are needed there, and to help build homes for some of the orphans and widows.

Now that war has come to Ukraine, they've been raising funds to send to the Church of God Odessa. They provide supplies, medicine, food, and water. They are also looking into building temporary shelters out of shipping containers. They're also helping to get some Ukrainians out of the country to safety.

Steve owns Kingdom Financial Solutions, so he is very busy with tax season. However, he is the Treasurer



of Rabbonis Love, and is responsible for their fundraising. "I will be going to Germany to help the refugees in Moldova and other countries after tax season," he said. He is in contact with the families in the Ukraine that they support to see what their needs are.

The organization is "dedicated to human life. We think nothing is more valuable than this," said Steve. "The people of Ukraine are the nicest, fun-hearted, grateful people. Even if they have little, they are grateful for everything they have."

"100% of the donations go directly to the people," Steve explained. "We take nothing for administrative costs. The people of Ukraine need every last dime."

"I am fully committed to helping the people of Ukraine get the supplies they need right now while the war is still going on, and to help the people of Ukraine rebuild," said Steve. "It costs \$10 to feed a person for a week, so no

amount is too small. I am grateful for any help you can give us to help my people."

While Higganum is over 4,500 miles away from Ukraine, one man here is trying to make a difference over there.

COMMUNITY

Red Cross Blood Drive at Valley Bible Church: April 5

By Theresa Kegley, Valley Bible Church ARC Coordinator

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at Valley Bible Evangelical Free Church at 220 Turkey Hill Road, Haddam, on Tuesday, April 5, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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COMMUNITY

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career as a flight attendant with IBM, Donna has been a Friend for five years or so. Donna also sits on the BML Board of Trustees. She describes the vibrant role the Friends play both in the library community and Haddam community at large. In no uncertain terms, Donna makes clear how the Friends prove the value that BML brings to Haddam – as a common good: freely available to the public.

Betty Devlin was unable to attend Thursday's meeting but writes: "I'm impressed by the longest-serving members' continuity of involvement, their institutional memory, their awareness of the history of the library and the town, and their dedication. It's good that new people continue to join, too. New members bring something special to the group – new perspectives or certain skills (financial or artistic organizational, for example)... Each Friend has his or her own new ideas. The BML Friends is a group of kind and agreeable citizens who volunteer their time and efforts to make life better for others. We enjoy each other, we love the library and our town, and we welcome new members."

The Friends supply the fundraising momentum and organization throughout the year, raising approximately \$9,000 each year on average through a variety of events. The group regularly stocks and replenishes the little free libraries stationed throughout Haddam. As mentioned earlier, the Friends sell used

books on Amazon as well as in "The Book Nook" - located on the first level of the library. Finally, this team has its own colorful merchandise, such as t-shirts available for perusal and purchase at the library.

Tom Piezzo, Director of BML also states: "The Friends of the Library has for decades been an integral part of our library's operation. They sponsor special purchases which would otherwise fall beyond our budget, they financially support our programming for all ages, and they represent another facet of our library: one which helps to advocate for our sustainability, and engages community members at a level of their own choosing. I cannot overstate how valuable the Friends are to our success, and am grateful for their enterprising energy, creativity and generosity."

Interested in joining this dynamic team of individuals? Visit BML for more information or fill out the back of the Friends of BML fundraising mailing sent to all Haddam households earlier this month. Also, Donna urges us to "stay tuned for May 15," as a number of Friends will be volunteering at the Library that day. While she cannot elaborate at this time, the crux is this: keep the date open. Stay tuned.

Better yet, stop by BML and/or take a peek at the website to learn about upcoming events. After all, there just may be some of your favorite things coming down the pike from one of your favorite community hubs.



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the team. HK's top performer was Jessica Timothy who earned points for her team winning the High Jump and Long Jump and placing fifth in the Shot Put. The Shot was a big event for the Cougars as it was won by Scarlett Strom with a Put of 30' 8.5", surpassing her previous PR (personal record) by more than a foot. Freshman Gabby Williams rounded out the Shot Put scoring adding 3 more points to the team's effort by finishing sixth in the Shot. HK also scored in the Pole Vault with Shelby Welsch and Maddie Moriarty placing 7th and 8th (the Conference scoring is 1-8 places) adding 3 more points to the team's total.

As noted earlier, relays also played a major role in the battle for points. The girls competed in three of the four relays, starting with the 4x800. The team consisting of Sydney Adelberg, Ava DiMatteo, Charlette Selmer, and Isabel Berardino placed second. The 4x400 relay of Jordan Duncanson, Leah Sosnowski, Kayla Rodriguez and Brianna Minervino also earned a second place. The third relay, the Sprint Medley Relay (SMR), earned a 5th place finish. That relay included Natalya Mallon, Adeline Packtor, Jordan Duncanson, and Charlotte Selmer. Two of the girls also ran individual races. Isabel placed 5th in the 1600 and came back to place second in the 3200 and Brianna Minervino 3rd in the 600.

In the end, Old Saybrook won with 135.5 points and HK edged out East Hampton by 2 points, 80-78.

The boys competition offered a slightly greater challenge. Cuginchaug showed early in the season that they had both depth and talent required to win a Conference title. HK's potential started to emerge late in the season. Again, the key is points. However, unlike the girls, the boys effort involved competing in a wide variety of individual events. Aidan Law led the team in scoring, winning the Long Jump, High Jump and placing 4th in the 55 dash. Caleb Freeman also played a major role, placing 3rd in the 1000, 2nd in the 1600 and 2nd in the 3200. Caleb was joined in the 1000 by Evan Baird who placed 8th. Other individual scores were: Kevin Cavrell, 2nd in the Shot and 4th in the 300; Alex Lara 3rd in the 600 and Cooper Howes 2nd in the Pole Vault. Jared Frith joined Cavrell in the Shot, placing 4th. In addition to Aidan in the high jump, John Panzera placed 3rd and Connor Schipritt 5th. Relays wrapped up the team scoring. The 4x200 team of Sam Greenwood, Ryan Ruggerio, Kevin Cavrell and Dan Schuster placed 4th. The 4x800 relay of Evan Baird, Tyler Robinson, Sawyer DiMatteo and Matt Lara placed 6th. Lastly, the boys 4x400 of Tyler Robinson, Alex Lara, Connor Schipritt and Dan Schuster finished 3rd. In the end, despite a great performance

with boys demonstrating their talent and commitment to the team, Cuginchaug was able to pull out the victory by two points, 80 to 78.

Overall, looking at the efforts for our girls and boys teams, one thing that stood out was the number of PRs, which is a great demonstration of their effort and commitment.

Going into the State Championship the goal was not winning as much as putting people in situations that gave them the best chance to medal and possibly move on to the State Open. Moving on to the Open was achieved by either winning an event or having a performance that ranked in the top 14 when



comparing all of the four classes.

On the girls side that meant primarily relays for the runners and allowing the field event athletes to focus on their best events. Jess Timothy continued her success in the High Jump placing 4th. The Cougar girls placed in two relays. The 4x800 relay of Berardino, Adelberg, Selmer and Minervino placed 4th. Also, the 4x400 relay of Duncanson, Sosnowski, Rodriguez and Minervino placed 5th. Unfortunately, none of girls advanced to the Open although the 4x400 was close, ranking 15th.

On the boys side a Sprint Medley team of Kevin Cavrell, Aidan Law, Alex Lara and Caleb Freeman placed 3rd. Also, Aidan placed 4th in the Long Jump and 6th in the High Jump. Aidan

qualified for the State Open in both events, as did the SMR. However, the SMR was scratched. Going into the Open, Aidan was seeded 6th in the long jump.

With a series of PR's, he moved up in place and won the Open long jump. Based on his performance, Aidan advanced to the New England Championship. There he continued to improve on his PR finishing 2nd, missing first by one inch. Aidan's second place finish was the highest ranking in the history of HK Indoor Track and Field in the New England Championship. He also qualified and will be competing in the "Emerging Elite" division at the Nike National Championship Sunday, March 12, 2022.



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Middlesex Health Urgent Care's Old Saybrook Office Is Relocating

By Amanda Falcone, Public Relations Director, Middlesex Health

In a move that will help increase access to care, Middlesex Health Urgent Care, Old Saybrook, is relocating. The urgent care office will remain in Old Saybrook, but will move from 1697 Boston Post Road to 154 Main Street — a space adjacent to Middlesex Health's local primary care office.

The urgent care office will remain at 1697 Boston Post Road through March 25. The office will be closed on March 26 and March 27 due to the move, and

it will reopen at its new location on March 28.

This relocation move will help to strengthen the link between primary care and urgent care and increase access to care for all. Middlesex Health takes great pride in being part of the Old Saybrook community, and it always does its best to make the health care process easier and more convenient for its patients.

If local residents have questions regarding the relocation, they should call 860-661-5976.

Middlesex Health to Offer Tobacco Cessation Program

By Amanda Falcone, Public Relations Director, Middlesex Health

Middlesex Health is offering a six-class tobacco cessation program in Middletown. Classes will be held in person — not virtual, and they will be held weekly beginning April 4.

Each week, class will begin at 4:00 p.m. and end at 5:00 p.m. The exact location of the classes will be given once registration is complete.

This program is made possible

through a grant from the City of Middletown. You do not have to live in Middletown to participate, but you must be 18 or older.

Participants in this tobacco cessation program will learn how to deal with triggers and cravings. They will also learn to manage withdrawal symptoms and maintain a healthy lifestyle, and they will learn about e-cigarettes and the dangers of firsthand and secondhand smoke. For more information, or to register, call 860-358-5426.

This Week on Valley Shore Community TV: March 24 - 30

By Chris Morgan, Public Access Coordinator, VSCTV

Comcast Channel 18 - Valley Shore Educational Network
3/26 5:15 p.m. HKTV Documentaries
3/27 1:30 p.m. HKTV Film Festival

Comcast Channel 19 - Valley Shore Community Television
3/24 - 1:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. UMC of Clinton Sunday Service 3/20/22
3/24 - 5:00 p.m. Old Saybrook Meetings
3/27 - 4:00 p.m. First Congregational Church in Essex Sun. Service 3/20/22
3/27 - 5:00 p.m. Emmanuel Baptist Church Sunday Service 3/20/22
3/27 - 6:00 p.m. Deep River Town Meetings 3/22/22
3/28 - 4:00 p.m. A Slice of Life
3/28 - 5:00 p.m. Silver Linings Talk Show

3/28 - 6:00 p.m. Shore Things: Aging in Place
3/28 - 8:00 p.m. Art of Poetry
3/29 - 4:00 p.m. Clinton Meetings
3/29 - 6:00 p.m. Arts & Entertainment: Saybrook State Co.
3/29 - 7:00 p.m. Pete Mezzetti Show: Bushy Hill Nature Center
3/29 - 8:00 p.m. Shoreline Music Monthly: Season 6 Bonus Bits
3/30 - 4:00 p.m. Westbrook Congregational 3/27/22

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April Events at the Killingworth Library

By Tammy Eustis, Assistant Director, Killingworth Library Association

Celebrate Plant-a-Seed-of-Kindness Day at the Library!

Visit the library on Saturday, April 23, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and enjoy a variety of activities, fun for everyone from the youngest patrons through seniors. Paint rocks, plant seeds, create a Tree of Life craft, and participate in the "With My Own Two Hands" project – identify a kind act that you pledge to do and place the paper in our special mailbox; all participants will be entered in our drawing for prizes. Check our website: killingworthlibrary.org – or Facebook: facebook.com/killingworthlibrary – for details.

Volcanoes and Their Literary Connections with Phil Devlin

Tuesday, April 12th at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Learn

how the history of volcanic eruptions has influenced and guided the works of Emily Dickinson, Mary Shelley, and Mark Twain – ponder the power of the planet through Ralph Waldo Emerson's essay on Compensation – and explore Killingworth's own volcanic connections through Titus Coan and the Killingworth Dome.

Please register in advance for this event through the library website's Calendar, or call 860-663-2000. A Zoom link to the program will be emailed in advance.

Passport to Connecticut Libraries ~ Hit the Road in April

As Spring arrives and we step back outside, let your library card open the doors of Connecticut libraries by joining the Passport to Connecticut Libraries Program! During the month of April, Killingworth residents are invited to pick up a library passport and explore the offerings at libraries around the

state. Be sure to have your visits logged – those visiting at least five libraries will be entered in a statewide prize drawing. Full details will be available through the library's social media.

April Saturday Storytimes

The library's Saturday Storytimes continue in April! If the weather continues to improve, we will consider holding some in-person sessions outside. Please visit the library's website Calendar for details and registration links.

- 4/02/22 – Planting a Rainbow by Lois Ehlert
- 4/09/22 – Wild About Books by Judy Sierra
- 4/16/22 – Froodle by Antoinette Portis
- 4/23/22 – The Curious Garden by Peter Brown
- 4/30/22 – Come On, Rain! by Karen Hesse

TOWN OF KILLINGWORTH

Renters Rebate Program Information

By Mercedes Ricciuti, Municipal Agent, Town Killingworth

The Renter's Rebate Program is for income-qualified Connecticut renters over 65 or disabled and begins April 1, 2022. Residents of Beechwood Mobile Home Park have the option to choose between the Renter's Rebate or the Homeowner's Property Tax Relief but not both. Connecticut residency of one year is required.

The amount of the rebate is based on gross income: \$41,400 for married people or \$38,100 for single people, as well as rent and utility payments for each month of 2021.

Required 2021 documents:

Social Security 1099 with gross amount of income, disability statement or Income tax. All other sources of income including pension.

A one-page summary of payments by applicant:

Rent payments letter from landlord: Beechwood 860 853-6001

Electric payments: Eversource 800 286 2828

Fuel payments: Call fuel company (Quality Propane 860-669-4277)

Water payments: 800-286-5700

Please put in Drop Box by Town Hall Main Door. You will be called to come sign the application. For a Renter's Rebate Checklist or any questions, call Mercedes 860 663 1765 x217.

HADDAM HISTORY

Haddam Neck in Photos: March 27

By Elizabeth Malloy, Executive Director, Haddam Historical Society

Join the Haddam Historical Society for a PowerPoint presentation of historic photographs of Haddam Neck from the archives of the Society on Sunday, March 27, 2022, at 3:00 p.m. These will include historic house photos, people

and places.

We invite you to learn more about "The Neck" and what makes it such a special place to live. To be held at the Haddam Neck Congregational Church at 408 Quarry Hill Road, Haddam. Admission is free. For additional information call 860-345-2400 or email director@haddamhistory.org



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COOKING

Recipe: Chicken Hurry

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Chicken Hurry

Time: 1 hour 10 minutes

Yield: 6 servings

When you're in a hurry to get dinner on the table, Chicken Hurry is the answer. And what a delicious answer! The chicken is cooked to tender and juicy perfection, with a coating that's equal parts bright, savory, and sweet, with notes of onion zest and smokiness. Chicken Hurry is easy to make and arrives on the table in a snap, so you should hurry up and make it!

Ingredients

- 1 (3-pound) whole chicken, cut into pieces
- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 1/4 cup water
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 (1-ounce) package dry onion soup mix

Directions

Step 1 Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.

Step 2 Lightly grease a 9x13-inch baking dish.

Step 3 Place the chicken in a single layer in the prepared baking dish.

Step 4 In a medium bowl, combine the ketchup, water, brown sugar, and dry soup mix to make the sauce.

Step 5 Pour the sauce over the chicken, ensuring every piece is equally coated.

Step 6 Cover the baking dish and bake until the chicken reaches an internal temperature of 165 degrees F, about 1 hour.

Step 7 Serve & Enjoy!

EDUCATION

HKMS: Cougar Celebrations February/March

By Debra Cumpstone, Secretary of School Counseling, HKMS

On Friday, March 11, Haddam Killingworth Middle School held their Town Meeting where the following students were recognized for the months of February/March.

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 upholding our core values and being role models at HKMS.

Zi Abbott	Perseverance, Kindness, Respect
Eleanor Barry	Respect, Responsibility, Kindness
Rowan Baucom	Responsibility, Respect, Kindness
Bryce Beaudry	Perseverance, Respect
Maxim Bergman	Perseverance, Responsibility
Paul Birkmeyer	Respect, Responsibility, Kindness
Kellen Cassidy	Kindness, Respect
Jameson Conte	Kindness, Acceptance, Respect
Camryn Danaher	Responsibility, Perseverance
Tyler Dickinson	Responsibility, Perseverance
Margret DiNapoli	Acceptance, Perseverance
Alison Dooley	Responsibility, Perseverance
Tristan Edwards	Responsibility, Respect, Kindness
Chloe Engler	Kindness, Respect, Perseverance
Alex Fredericksen	Respect, Responsibility, Perseverance
Ava Geissler	Respect, Responsibility
Emma Giaccone	Responsibility, Respect, Kindness, Perseverance
Addison Harkin	Responsibility, Perseverance
Tetsuya Imai	Responsibility
Ryleigh Johnson	Responsibility, Respect
Chase Keeling	Perseverance, Kindness, Responsibility
Brielle Kent	Respect, Kindness

Dina Kilroy	Respect, Responsibility, Kindness
Kody Lehet	Responsibility, Perseverance, Respect
Aidan Lena	Respect, Responsibility, Perseverance, Kindness
Camryn Lisitano-Rode	Responsibility, Perseverance, Respect
Adam Livingston	Respect, Responsibility
Chase Lombardi-Bole	Kindness, Respect
Audrey Macy	Respect, Responsibility, Perseverance, Kindness
Mila Maresca	Perseverance, Kindness, Acceptance
Lexie Mattison	Responsibility, Kindness
Emilia Maziarz	Perseverance, Responsibility, Respect, Kindness
Noah McCarthy	Perseverance, Respect, Kindness
Natalie Melendez	Perseverance, Acceptance
Ella Mitchell	Responsibility, Perseverance, Kindness
Declan Moriarty	Kindness, Respect, Perseverance
Catherine Nguyen	Respect, Kindness
Gavin Orlando	Responsibility, Respect
Michael Palmieri	Respect, Kindness
Tristan Papuga	Responsibility, Perseverance, Kindness, Acceptance, Respect
Freida Petersen	Responsibility, Respect, Kindness
Joshua Rindfleisch	Responsibility, Respect
Arabella Ripp	Responsibility, Perseverance
Braylon Rodriguez	Responsibility, Perseverance
Camden Ruiz	Respect, Responsibility
Faith Santamaria	Responsibility
Brody Sheffield	Responsibility, Perseverance, Respect
Liam Sikora	Kindness, Respect
Cecilia Stevens	Respect, Perseverance
Aedan Tenbrunsel	Responsibility, Perseverance
Gianna Terryn	Responsibility, Kindness
Tyler Traczyk	Respect, Acceptance, Perseverance
Mason Weems	Perseverance, Kindness, Respect
Colin Wolfradt	Respect, Responsibility



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MEMORIAL DAY 2022

Order Veterans Personalized Bricks for Memorial Day 2022

By Rick Annino, Haddam Veterans Museum

Each Memorial Day, the Haddam Veterans Museum places an order for 4 x 8 inch red engraved bricks to be placed in the Memorial Walk in front of the Museum. These bricks are to honor any veteran who has been honorably discharged from any branch of the Armed Services. They do not have to be a resident of the Town of Haddam and the bricks will be placed by Memorial Day.

The bricks are \$55.00 each. This is not a fund raiser and they are sold at cost. All orders must be received by April 15, 2022. Forms are available here by clicking on the link: ENGRAVED BRICK ORDER FORM, 2022 at hk-now.com. Additional forms are available at the Town Hall or by contacting Rick Annino at 860-250-2011 or rannino@comcast.net. Please make checks payable to the Haddam Veterans Museum and mail to Rick Annino, 671 Little City Road, Higganum, CT, 06441. You may also call Rick if you have any questions.

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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, March 24

Gateway meeting (Zoom) 7:00 p.m.

Killingworth Board of Finance Special meeting 7:00 p.m. (remote access).

Saturday, March 26

Saturday Storytime 10:00 a.m. Killingworth Library (Zoom). This week's story: And Then It's Spring by Julie Fogliano.

Sunday, March 27

Benefit Concert at HKMS Auditorium – Killingworth Lions & Killingworth Historical Society 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

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Monday, March 28

Killingworth Board of Selectmen meeting 7:00 p.m. (remote access).

Killingworth Library Assoc. meeting 7:00 p.m.

Haddam Volunteer Fire Auxiliary regular monthly meeting 7:00 p.m. at Company #1, 439 Saybrook Road. Members will discuss plans for their annual Easter Flower Sale.

Tuesday, March 29

Tech Time Tuesday Killingworth Library 2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. The one-hour program allows for two single-attendee slots, but we will also schedule for a mutually convenient day and time as needed. Please register.

RSD #17 BOE Budget workshop 6:30 p.m.

Killingworth Board of Finance Special meeting 7:00 p.m. (remote access).

Wednesday, March 30

“No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ’s Passion” 5 Part DVD Series 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart on the Lake 194 Candlewood Hill Rd., Higganum.

Middle School Game Night! Brainerd Library 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Haddam Board of Finance Budget Review (if needed) 6:30 p.m.

Haddam Conservation Commission meeting 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 31

Haddam Zoning Board of Appeals meeting 7:00 p.m.

Killingworth Board of Finance Special meeting 7:00 p.m. (remote access).

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LEGALS

LEGAL NOTICE PLANNING AND ZONING PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning and Zoning Commission of Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Hearing at the Old Town Hall 30 Field Park Dr Haddam CT on April 7, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. to act upon the following item(s):

1. Amendment to special permit for The Truck Bar to allow change in business hours to Monday -Thursday 8am-10pm, Friday/Saturday 8am- midnight, Sunday 8am-8pm. The current hours are: Monday-closed, Tuesday-Thursday 1p.m.-10p.m., Friday/Saturday 1p.m.-12a.m. and Sunday 1p.m.-8p.m. Location: 66 Killingworth Rd map 14/lot 29-1 Applicant: Merle McKenzie

Information is on the website at www.haddam.org and at the Land Use Office at the Haddam Town Hall.

Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

LEGAL NOTICE TOWN OF HADDAM Zoning Board of Appeals PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING

The Zoning Board of Appeals Haddam, Connecticut will hold a Public Hearing and Meeting at the Haddam Town Hall, 21 Field Park Dr., Haddam, CT on March 31, 2022 at 7:00 to act upon the following item (s):

Public Hearing and Meeting:

1. Request for a variance allowing the existing garage to be enlarged by 5ft, this addition encroaches on the side yard setback requirement of 20ft and reduces it to 15ft. Applicant: Irene Alesh - Property: 27 Filley Rd Haddam CT - Map 46/lot 15B
2. Request for a variance to allow the installation of a pool 5ft from the north side yard. The installation creates a 15ft encroachment to the side yard setback requirement. Additionally a portion of the pool will sit within the 50ft Inland Wetland review area. Applicant: Brent Veiga - Property: 13 Summersweet Drive, Higganum CT - Map 41/lot 15-45

Said application is on file in the Land Use Office of the Town of Haddam. Planning and Zoning Commission, Haddam CT

REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17 NOTICE OF SPECIAL PUBLIC HEARING

The annual budget hearing of Regional School District No. 17 of the State of Connecticut, whose member towns are the towns of Haddam and Killingworth will be held in the Auditorium, of the Haddam-Killingworth High School, 95 Little City Road, Higganum, on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 7:30 PM.

A copy of the proposed budget recommended by the Superintendent of Schools is on file and available for inspection in the offices of the town clerks of Haddam and Killingworth, and at the office of the Superintendent of Schools at 57 Little City Road, Higganum, CT.

Suzanne Sack, Board Chair
Regional School District No. 17
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Spectrum Gallery: People & Animals in the Landscape Exhibit Opens March 26

By Barbara Nair, Executive Director, Arts Center Killingworth

Spectrum Art Gallery and Artisans Store of Centerbrook presents its newest show, People and Animals in the Landscape. Artists from throughout Connecticut, the Tri-State Area and New England present new and original abstract and representational artwork that includes animals and people to enhance and give depth to their work. There are many new and exciting artists presenting at Spectrum as well as new artisanal crafts in Spectrum's Artisans Store. Join us for the opening weekend Saturday, March 26, 2022 (1:00-6:00 p.m.) and Sunday, March 27, 2022 (1:00-5:00 p.m.) at 61 Main Street, Centerbrook, Connecticut to discover new art and fine crafts while enjoying wine and snacks. People and Animals runs through Sunday, May 8, 2022.

Spectrum Art Gallery and Artisans Store is open Wednesday through Saturday (12:00-6:00 p.m.) and Sunday (12:00-5:00 p.m.). Shop Spectrum Anytime at spectrumanytime.com with shipping available throughout the US – a perfect choice for convenient gift giving all year long, with gift cards also available in the store and online. For more information call (860) 767-0742 and visit spectrumartgallery.org. Follow on social media at facebook.com/spectrumartgallery, instagram.com/spectrumartgallery, and twitter.com/spectrum_ct



Judiht Secco, Among the Wildflowers, fine art photograph. Photographs provided by Spectrum Gallery.



Bivienne Harvey Staiger, Dutch Ducks, watercolor.

HVFC Responds to Motor Vehicle Accident on March 7

By Olivia Drake, HVFC Public Information Officer

Haddam Volunteer Fire Company responded to a motor vehicle accident at 6:20 p.m. March 7, on Saybrook Road near Jail Hill Road.

The operator of one vehicle was evaluated on scene and refused additional medical treatment. The operator of the other vehicle was unable to open the driver's side door due to the accident. Firefighters and EMS personnel helped the patient out of the vehicle through the passenger's side door. The patient was then transported to Middlesex Hospital via Haddam Volunteer Ambulance. Firefighters rerouted Saybrook Road traffic for about an hour until the vehicles and debris were removed from the roadway.

This was the fourth motor vehicle accident in Haddam so far this month.

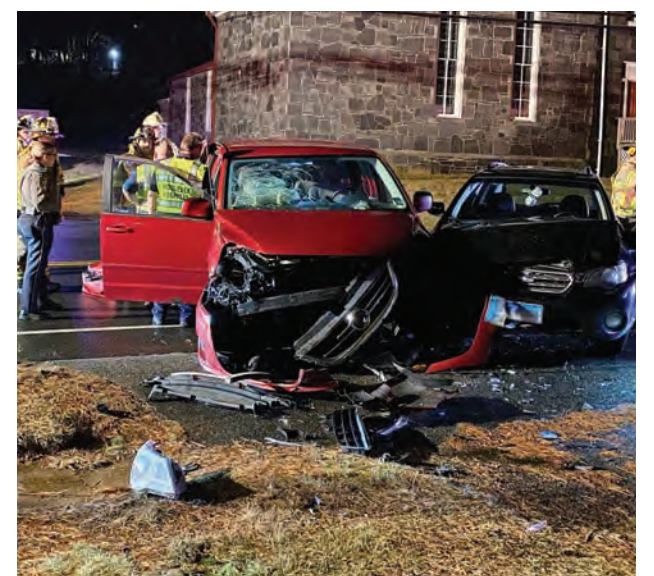


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