North Haven Memorial Library January Programs

To register for a program at North Haven Memorial Library (17 Elm St.), visit our website at www.northhavenlibrary.net or call us at (203) 239-5803. ***Registration is required for all programs except for those noted otherwise.***

Lego Club: Sat., January 18, 10:30-11:15am. Ages: 4-12 yrs. No Registration Required. We provide the LEGOs™ and you provide the creativity!

Closed for Martin Luther King Day: All Day, Monday, January 20, the Library will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day. We will reopen on Tues., January 21.

Adult Winter Reading Challege Begins!: Tues., Jan. 21, All Day. Open to all patrons 18+ with a valid North Haven Library Card. Cuddle up with a good book or check out our online resources from home! For each activity that you complete, you will earn one raffle ticket for a chance to win one of three prizes! Winners will be drawn on March 3. You can pick up a physical copy at the Information Desk or register on Beanstack!

Winter Reading Challenge Begins!: Tues., January 21, All Day. Ages: Birth-5th Grade. Slide on in to the library and register in person to participate. Check out all 15 sections of the challenge, coloring in the picture as you go and win a winter themed surprise bag!

Dance Party: Tues., Jan. 21, 10:30-11am. Age Group: 12-24 mos.- 5 yrs. Join us for this loosely structured dance party to burn off some extra energy, sing, dance and play with instruments.

Daytrip Discovery: Tues., Jan. 21, 6-6:45pm. Age Group: 6-11 yrs. We'll talk about local lore, snack on some local treats, and even play a popular game. And the best part...you get to pick where we "travel" to next.

Yin Yoga: Tues., Jan. 21, 6:30-7:30pm. Students will get to explore the physical benefits of Yin Yoga as well as how it can help us energetically, emotionally and mentally. Students must bring their own yoga mats.

Toddler Time: Wed., Jan. 22, 10:30-11am. Age Group: 2-3 yrs. Parent/Caregivers and their toddlers will interact with books, learn fingerplays, and sing.

Baby Rhyme Time: Thurs., Jan. 23, 10:30-11:15am. Ages: 0-24 mos. No Registration Required. This program brings caregivers and babies together to nurture bonds and increase awareness of the child's development.

Online Author Talk - Amanda Montell: Thurs., Jan. 23, 2-3pm, Virtual. Join us as we chat with the New York Times bestselling author, Amanda Montell about her newest book, The Age of Magical Overthinking: Notes on Modern Irrationality.

Creation Station - Snowman Snow Measuring Stick: Thurs., Jan. 23, 4-5pm. Ages: 3-10 yrs. with an Adult. No Registration Required. Come make a craft at the library while supplies last. This week: These snowmen can handle the cold AND they can tell you just how much snow has fallen in your yard!

Kids Who Code: Thurs., January 23, 6-6:45pm. Age Group: 3rd-5th Grade. Kids Who Code is a national program that is on a mission to change the image of what a programmer looks like and does. *Bringing your own laptop/Chromebook is highly encouraged.

Parachute Playtime: Fri., January 24, 10:30-11am. Age Group: 2-5 yrs with an Adult. Enjoy classic songs like Wheels on the Bus and Old MacDonald and dance to new favorites! This is a loosely structured, gross-motor activity class.

***Must See Movie - Bloodlines of the Slave Trade:* Fri., January 24, 1:30-2:45pm.** Examines the lives of two people whose only connection is a genetic link to John Armfield, one of the most notorious slave traders of the 1830s. Rated: NR. Runtime: 73 minutes.

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REFUSE COLLECTION: MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOLIDAY - WEEK OF 1/20

The North Haven Public Works Department wishes to advise all North Haven residents that the refuse collection for the week of January 20th (Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday), WILL BE UNCHANGED.

The Recycling Center on Elm Street will be open. The Center's normal hours are Monday-Saturday, 8am-11:45am.

Please follow us on Facebook for up-to-date information and notices at Town of North Haven Public Works Field Ops.

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WANTED: 1900 thru 1960 cars & trucks, parts, tools, road signs & memorabilia; (203) 265-2530, no texts •

Sen. Cicarella Sworn-in for Third Term, Will Offer Solutions for Affordability, Public Safety and Opportunity



Senior Deputy Republican Leader Paul Cicarella (**R-North Haven**) has entered his third term representing the 34th State Senate District as the General Assembly began the 2025 legislative session. Building on his bipartisan efforts of 2024, he will continue to offer solutions to improve key quality-of-life issues for families, businesses, and seniors of the district.

Specifically, Sen. Cicarella will offer additional measures to lower the soaring cost of energy, promote public safety and prevent future violent street takeovers in the area, as well as create more opportunities for well-paying careers through new workforce training and pipeline programs.

Sen. Cicarella said, "I have been honored to serve as your state senator, and I am looking forward to another term as the voice of all families in the 34th District. I am committed to the people of our district and will work as a Senate Republican leader to continue our message for an affordable and safe state with opportunities for all residents, no matter their age or background. Our state should be one that works for all families, and that is my goal.

"We must help the thousands of families and businesses struggling to pay their energy bills. This is a situation that has been going on for far too long. I also look forward to reintroducing measures that bring consequences for those who choose to break the law, especially those involved with violent street takeovers. I have several common-sense proposals that I look forward to introducing.

"I'm also looking forward to building on workforce measures from the past two years that will boost careers in the trades and other vocational opportunities because employers across our district need skilled workers. There are so many people who can attain great careers if we help them with the tools to do so."

Sen. Cicarella urged all residents who are interested in having their voice and ideas heard on issues before the Connecticut General Assembly to contact him at Paul.Cicarella@cga.ct.gov or visit www.SenatorCicarella.com. The 2025 legislative session concludes June 4th.

Warming Center at Keefe Community Center in Hamden

The Town of Hamden, in partnership with Columbus House, Inc., will open an overnight winter warming center for those experiencing homelessness in our community.

Hamden's Warming Center will be open now through March 31st, from 7pm-7am, seven nights a week. It will be stationed at the Keefe Community Center Gym, located at 11 Pine St in Hamden. Please enter through the George Street parking lot, located at 19 George St.

The Warming Center will be operated by trained Columbus House staff who will monitor overnight shifts and share community outreach information with our guests.

The Warming Center is not a "shelter" as no beds will be provided. It will offer a clean, safe, indoor overnight space to protect those in need from harsh weather conditions for those who would likely otherwise spend their nights outdoors. Hamden Police will provide walk-throughs on a nightly basis.

Organizations or agencies that are interested in providing dinners and breakfasts are encouraged to contact Columbus House at (203) 401-4400, ext. 138 or by email at sdimario@columbushouse.org.

Residents wishing to contribute to the Warming Center may do so by donating items such as non-perishable, pre-wrapped snack food items and beverages. Donations of new socks, new underwear, gloves, hats, umbrellas, and rain ponchos are also welcome.

Donations may be dropped off at the Keefe Community Center between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm, Monday through Friday. Donation receipts will be available.

For further information, please contact:

Keefe Community Center at (203) 562-5129

The Columbus House Emergency Services Team at (203) 768-7232

Deputy Chief of Staff, Alexa M. Panayotakis, at (203) 287-7100 or by email at apanayotakis@hamden.com.

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WANTED: Collector wants to buy early historic New Haven County related items, maps, books, engravings, paintings, paper items or actual products; (203) 915-7662 •

FOR SALE: Kenmore 30" slide-in electric range, like new $100; (203) 265-6012 •

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