North Haven Youth Basketball Champions



North Haven: Huge Congratulations to the Boys 4th grade travel team for bringing home the Championship at Mohegan Sun! Your hard work, teamwork, and dedication paid off big time, and we could not be prouder of you all! You gave it your all and made your mark on the court! Way to represent with heart and hustle!

Hamden Rotary December Student Of The Month



Pictured: With Aaira are principal Leroy Williams, teachers Carolyn Nielsen, Suzanne Powell and Rotarian Betsy Gorman.

Hamden: The Hamden Rotary Club has named Aaira Vohra it's December 2024 Student of the Month. The Shepherd Glen 5th grader is a peaceful student who leads with integrity and understanding and works to unite others while showing goodwill to the diverse school community.

Garden Club Presents Poem by Sean Alleyne

The **North Haven** Garden Club would like to present a poem by Sean Alleyne. Sean was a 3rd grader when he submitted his poem for the 2023-2024 NHGC Poetry Contest.

"I Spy With My Little Eye, Something Green Outside-Celebrating Our Green World"

In this green world of mine,
everything is celebrated
The eastern green mamba
Venomous and deadly
Reminds me of Kobe Bryant
Dominating on the court

The Gray green crocodile
Creepy and strong
Reminds me of Derick Henry
Not the fastest but a strong
running back
Who gets the job done

The Green and black dart frog
Beautiful but poisonous
Reminds me of the moves of
Michael Jordan

In this green world of mine,
everything and everyone
is celebrated

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Don't forget to check out the North Haven Garden Club on Facebook for lots of useful and entertaining information and pictures of all our Club does in our great Town of North Haven!

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FOR SALE: Washer, Whirlpool top load, good cond. $100; (203) 848-4582 •

K of C January Family of the Month

Hamden: Jim Poole and his wife Judy exemplify Catholic values. Both have been active parishioners throughout their life, serving and supporting several Parish and community events.

Judy had volunteered with Quota International, a non-profit organization empowering women, children and the deaf for several years.

Jim, as an active Knights of Columbus member has participated and supported the annual Parish picnic, yearly Columbus House Dinner, the Councils coat drive, palm cross fundraiser and ongoing assistance with the food pantry. Jim is one of the first members to volunteer when help is needed.

We are all truly blessed to have the Poole family as a member of our parish family.

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WANTED: Collector buying any Connecticut Brewery items for Wehle, Hulls, Wiebel, Largay or any other CT Breweries, signs, cans, bottles, etc.; call (203) 915-7662 •

FOR SALE: Sofa chaise attachment, brown fabric, very good cond. $75; call Steve, (860) 573-3210, Hamden •

Crossword Solution

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ACADEMIC Excellence

North Haven Resident Elected to Phi Kappa Phi

Sofia Fappiano of North Haven was recently elected to membership into The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, the nation's oldest and most selective all-discipline honor society at Fordham University.

Fappiano is among approximately 20,000 students, faculty, professional staff and alumni to be initiated into Phi Kappa Phi each year. Membership is by invitation only and requires nomination and approval by a chapter.

GRADUATES

Carson-Newman Univ.

Wallingford resident, Julie Huston graduated with a Master of Science in Nursing from Carson-Newman University at the conclusion of the institution's Fall 2024 semester.

Paul Smith's College

Wallingford resident, Austin Philip Polaske graduated in December 2024 from Paul Smith's College, located in Northern New York.

Polaske earned a BS in Disaster Management and Response.

PRESIDENT'S LIST

Husson University

Husson University is pleased to celebrate the academic achievements of the following local students who were recently named to the President's List for the Spring 2024 semester.

Hamden: Emma Romatzick, BS, Elementary Education.

Wallingford: Alana Peruti, BS, Legal Studies - Pre Law.

Western New England University

The following local area students were named to the President's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.80 or higher:

North Haven: Alexandra Ferriouolo, Aaron Racino.

Wallingford: Todd Grammatico.

DEAN'S LIST

York College of Pennsylvania

Wallingford resident, Caitlin Buckley a Sophomore Environmental Science major at York College of Pennsylvania, was named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2024 semester.

Lasell University

The following local students were named to Lasell University's Fall 2024 Dean's List:

Hamden: Baylee Bianchi.

Wallingford: Allison Connolly, Alena Dantonio, Isabella Goral, Ashley Mills.

Husson University

Hamden resident, Michael Coggins was recently named to the Dean's List for academic achievement (BS, Sport Management) during the Spring 2024 semester at Husson University.

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Wallingford resident, Dan Altschuler has been named to the Dean's List for the Fall semester of the 2024-2025 academic year at the University of Wisconsin-Madison College of Engineering.

Western New England University

The following local area students were named to the Dean's List for achieving a semester grade point average of 3.30 or higher:

Hamden: Harry Antonucci, Mia Celentano, Daniella Ferraro, Mason Herrmann, Nolan Jermain.

North Haven: Mariella Biceglia, Tyler Kornacki, Emily Vece.

Northford: Dominick Langello, Dana Wray.

Wallingford: Ashley Bunnell, Valerie Connolly, Caitlyn Hunt, Charles Schaefer.

Upcoming Events at the Garden Club of Woodbridge

The Garden Club of Woodbridge meeting on April 1st will have a presentation by Kelsey Fisher, Ph.D regarding "Meadow Gardens." Kelsey is a scientist who researches insect movement and dispersal ecology, pollinator conservation and agriculture pest management.

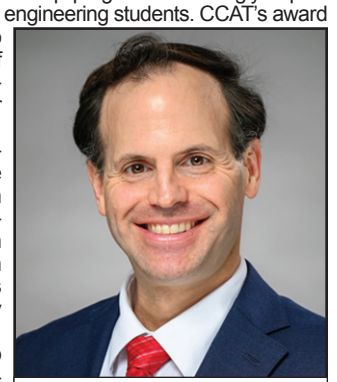
Location is the Woodbridge Town Library, 10 Newton Road, Woodbridge and will run from 7-9pm. Open to the public with a $5 guest fee.

For more information, please contact Mary Jane: wpurcell@snet.net.

QU Engineering Prof. Named To Inaugural Faculty Fellowship Program In Digital Transformation

Hamden: John Reap, of Hamden, professor of mechanical engineering at Quinnipiac University, has been named to the Connecticut Center for Advanced Technology's Faculty Fellowship Program in Digital Transformation.

"With gratitude and excitement, I accept CCAT's invitation to become the School of Computing and Engineering's man in the arena of digital transformation within the context of engineering," Reap said. "The technological changes precipitating the fellowship program increasingly impact the professional lives of Quinnipiac's engineering students. CCAT's award honors me with an opportunity to spend myself in the worthy cause of program renewal, renewal that enhances the school's quality and our graduates' competitiveness."



Prof. John Reap

CCAT's new program, set to begin Jan. 17, immerses nine college and university faculty members in advanced manufacturing technologies and industry 4.0 practices, with the goal of enhancing the integration of state-of-the-art methods, practices and tools currently used in industry into Connecticut classrooms.

As part of the Faculty Fellowship Program, fellows participate in Industry 4.0 technology training and then incorporate those methods and practices in unique and creative ways in the curriculum at their institutions. Fellows engage in curriculum development workshops to assist and support this effort.

"Professor Reap's selection is a testament to his dedication to advancing both education and industry," said Taskin Kocak, dean of the School of Computing and Engineering at Quinnipiac. "This opportunity not only recognizes his expertise, but also positions the School of Computing & Engineering to be at the forefront of teaching our students the skills and knowledge they need to succeed in the evolving landscape of advanced manufacturing and Industry 4.0. We are proud of Professor Reap's selection and the impact this fellowship will undoubtedly have on our programs and students."

Industry 4.0 practice standards integrate smart technologies, such as IoT, AI, and automation, into manufacturing processes. They highlight the importance of model-based definition and design. They ensure seamless data exchange, improve efficiency and enable real-time decision-making. Standards emphasize interoperability, cybersecurity, and data management for optimized production and innovation across industries.

"The Office of Manufacturing and the Manufacturing Innovation Fund are focused on accelerating the adoption of Industry 4.0 technologies, with a focus on digital transformation, additive manufacturing, robotics, industrial automation, and artificial intelligence," said Paul Lavoie, Connecticut's chief manufacturing officer, when announcing the fellows. "The Faculty Fellowship program will provide our university professors with a robust knowledge of these technologies that they can integrate into their curriculum, leading to a better-educated workforce in Connecticut."

Probus Launches Shoe Drive Fundraiser

Hamden: The Greater New Haven Probus is conducting a Shoe Drive fundraiser, now through March 11th, supporting those less fortunate in our communities.

Anyone can help by donating gently worn, used and new shoes by contacting us at Ghnhaven probus@gmail.com

The Greater New Haven Probus Club was founded in 1921 to help individuals with special needs in our community. We have expanded our efforts to help others by providing assistance for at-risk individuals and families, homeless shelters, veterans, and incoming refugee support groups.

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WANTED: Antiques or collectibles, highest prices paid for paintings, furniture, glassware, pottery, documents, photographs, bottles, anything old, one piece or entire estates, cash paid; (203) 915-7662 •

FOR SALE: LED drop light, new, battery or 12V car adapter w/10 ft. cord, magnetic base $8; (203) 606-0932

WANTED: Buying older beer cans, flats, conetops, single cans or entire collections; (203) 915-7662 •