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Join the America 250th Bell Ringing Event on July 4th

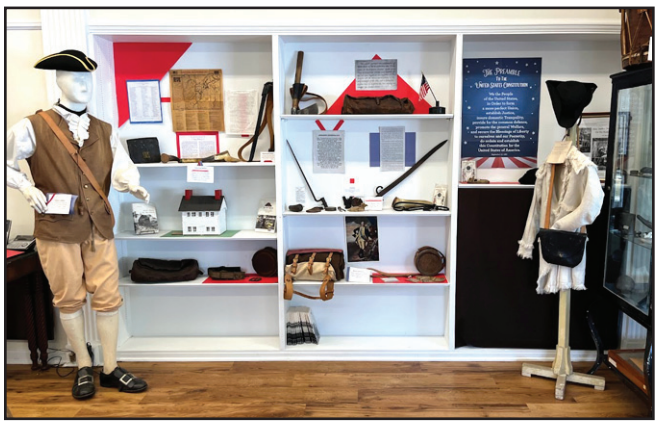
The Town of North Branford invites all residents to join the State of Connecticut in the Nationwide Bell Ringing Event and ring out together on Saturday, July 4 at 2pm, creating a canopy of sound to mark our nation's 250th birthday.

Churches, historic sites, and residents across all 169 municipalities are invited to toll bells 13 times, in honor of the original 13 colonies, and join a synchronized national moment of celebration.

WANTED: WWII Vets, immediate cash for all German helmets, hats, daggers, flags, medals, uniforms, patches. Collector will beat all dealer offers; (203) 932-0750 •

FOR SALE: Wire, electrical, copper conductor (pet fence), 1000 ft./$20; 10 gauge UL1015, 145 ft./$25; (203) 606-0932

Let Freedom Ring!



North Haven: Celebrate with us on Sunday, July 19 at 2 PM on the North Haven Green as we commemorate the day North Haven first learned of the signing of the Declaration of Independence!

On July 17, 1776, a local paper printed the announcement and full text of the Declaration of Independence. The North Haven Historical Society & Museums, in collaboration with the Town of North Haven, the North Haven Congregational Church, St. John's Episcopal Church, and the North Haven Mayflower Society, will honor that historic time with ringing church bells, marching and music by Lancraft Fife and Drum, and a reading of the Declaration of Independence by First Selectman Freda and Third Selectman Cohen. Master of Ceremonies Sally Buemi will preside over the afternoon and provide some historic background about the occasion. Bring your lawn chairs and enjoy the beautiful North Haven Green as we celebrate our nation's founding. This event is free and open to all; for more information, please call 203-239-7722 or email us at nhhistsoc@gmail.com.

Photo courtesy of North Haven Historical Society Archives.

Conversation with Hamden Registrars of Voters Event

The League of Women Voters of Hamden/North Haven is hosting a presentation by Hamden's two Registrars of Voters: Lushonda Howard, Democrat, and Laura Santino, Republican.

Join us on Tues., July 28, from 6:30-7:30pm, in the Friends Room at Miller Memorial Library, 2901 Dixwell Ave. as they discuss their roles in Hamden's election process and how they support voters in every election. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions of both registrars.

Get to know the people who protect your vote and help keep our local elections fair, accurate, and secure. The event is free and open to all residents. Refreshments will be served.

Please RSVP by July 22 if you plan to attend. Email: lwvhnoh voterservices@gmail.com.

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Express yourself in our Letters to the Editor



To submit a letter: Letters to the Advisor should include the writer's name, address and phone number. The writer's signature should appear at the end of the letter. Unsigned letters will not be published. Letters will be accepted through Wednesday at 5pm. We will extend the deadline if circumstances allow and providing we have space available. Letters must be no longer than 400 words due to space limitations. The Advisor does not edit letters which are published as they are received. If a letter is questionable, the writer will be contacted for verification. The Advisor reserves the right to not publish letters that may be personally offensive.

America at 250: A North Haven Perspective

To The Editor: June 24, 2026

As our nation celebrates its 250th anniversary, we have an opportunity to reflect on the values and principles that have guided America since 1776. The idea of a free and self-governing nation was a bold and visionary concept at the time. Many around the world doubted that a republic founded on individual liberty and representative government could survive. Yet 250 years later, the American experiment endures.

Central to that success is the Constitution, the framework that established our system of government and safeguarded the rights of the people. Shortly after its ratification, the Bill of Rights were added to ensure that individual freedoms, such as speech, religion, and due process, would be protected from government overreach. These first ten amendments reflected the Founding Fathers' understanding that liberty must be clearly defined and defended.

But the Constitution was never meant to be static. The Founders wisely created a system that allows for amendments, recognizing that the nation would grow and change over time. From abolishing slavery and expanding voting rights, to ensuring equal protection under the law, each amendment represents our country's ongoing effort to become more just and inclusive. These changes remind us that our democracy is not fixed, but evolving, guided by the principles laid out at our founding.

Here in North Haven, those values are reflected every day. From the veterans who defended our nation, to the volunteers who support our schools, youth sports, nonprofits, and community traditions, we see the spirit of service and civic responsibility that has helped make America Strong.

This anniversary is not only a celebration of our past, but also a reminder of our responsibility to the future. At a time when division often dominates the conversation, America's 250th anniversary reminds us that we have far more in common than what separates us.

As we commemorate this historic milestone, let us honor those who came before us, celebrate the freedoms that unite.

Sincerely, Dave Yaccarino
State Representative, 87th Assembly District
Connecticut House of Representatives

An Opportunity to Elect a Fresh Voice

To The Editor: June 24, 2026

There is value in experience. But there is also value in fresh perspectives.

After sixteen years of the same representation in Hartford, I believe it is fair to ask whether North Haven is getting the results it deserves.

Our community continues to face challenges related to school funding, affordability, infrastructure, and state investment. Meanwhile, many residents feel their concerns are not being adequately addressed.

That is why I am supporting Dr. Kathleen Kimball for State Representative.

Kathleen is not a career politician. She is a veterinarian, educator, problem-solver, and neighbor who has built a career helping others and tackling difficult challenges.

What impressed me most is her willingness to engage with residents, listen to concerns, and offer thoughtful solutions rather than political talking points.

Every elected official should be challenged to earn another term. That's how democracy works.

This year, I believe North Haven has an opportunity to elect a fresh voice who will bring new energy, new ideas, and a renewed focus on our community's priorities.

For those reasons, I will be voting for Dr. Kathleen Kimball.

Sincerely, Stephanie Magnuson, North Haven

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TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN
TOWN CLERK'S NOTICE OF DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY - STATE OFFICES ONLY
(Pursuant to C.G.S. § 9-433)

Notice is hereby given that a PRIMARY of the political party listed below will be held in North Haven, CT on August 11, 2026 for nomination to each office indicated below. Notice is also hereby given that the following are the names of the party-endorsed candidates, if any, for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street address of said candidate. The party endorsed candidates, if any, are indicated by an asterisk. Additionally, the following are the names of all other candidates who have filed their certificates of eligibility and consent to primary or have satisfied the primary petitioning requirements in conformity with the General Statutes as candidates for nomination to each office indicated, together with the street addresses of said candidates.

Office	Party	Candidate	Address
Governor	Democratic	*Ned Lamont	4 Ashton Drive, Greenwich, CT 06831
Governor	Democratic	Josh Elliott	28 Cobbleston Dr., Hamden, CT 06518

Dated at Hartford, Connecticut, this 23rd day of June 2026
Stephanie Thomas, Secretary of the State of Connecticut

The foregoing is a copy of the notice which I have received from the Office of the Secretary of the State, in accordance with Section 9-433 of the General Statutes. As provided such primary will begin with early voting on August 5, 2026 through August 11, 2026, and the primary of the referenced party for nomination to the state or district offices therein specified will be held on August 11, 2026. The hours of voting during early voting and at said primary and the location of the polls will be as follows:

Early Voting - Hours of Voting:
August 03, 2026 - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
August 04, 2026 - 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
August 05, 2026 - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
August 06, 2026 - 8:00 am to 8:00 pm
August 07, 2026 - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
August 08, 2026 - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm
August 09, 2026 - 10:00 am to 6:00 pm

Location:

MILDRED A. WAKELY COMMUNITY & RECREATION CENTER,
7 LINSLEY STREET, NORTH HAVEN, CT --
ALL DAYS OF EARLY VOTING

PRIMARY DAY, TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2026: All voting districts will open at six o'clock in the morning (6:00 A.M.), and will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 P.M.). The locations of polling places for the Town of North Haven's five (5) voting districts, all located in North Haven, CT, are:

District 1 -- Mildred Wakely Rec. Center, 7 Linsley Street;
District 2 -- Montowese School, 145 Fitch Street;
District 3 -- Ridge Road School, 1341 Ridge Road;
District 4 -- Green Acres School, 146 Upper State Street; and
District 5 -- Clintonville School, 456 Clintonville Road.

ABSENTEE BALLOTING: Absentee Ballots will be counted at the centralized location of: MILDRED A. WAKELY COMMUNITY AND RECREATION CENTER – 7 LINSLEY STREET, NORTH HAVEN, CT. Absentee Ballots will be available to the public on July 21 2026 at the Town Clerk's Office, located at: MEMORIAL TOWN HALL, 18 CHURCH STREET, NORTH HAVEN, CT.

J. Stacey Yarbrough
Town Clerk/Reg. of Vitals & Tax Collector, Town of Haven
Memorial Town Hall, 18 Church Street, North Haven, CT 06473
Questions? Please contact our office at 203.239.5321 x 8630 or x 8621
Dated this 23rd day of June 2026