all about kids

Sunny Side Up
Early Care Learning Center
Visit our website at www.sunnysideupearlycare.com
Select openings for 3 and 4 Year olds available
76 Maple Ave., North Haven (203)239-7395



Hanging the clothes on the line
makes small motor development just fine.
PreK openings. Call for a tour!

Animals Looking for Homes

THE ANIMAL HAVEN, INC. has a variety of homeless and abandoned kittens, puppies & dogs looking for safe, loving homes with owners willing to make a lifelong commitment. Animals have been spayed or neutered, vaccinated & tested; (203) 239-2641 •

THE GREATER NEW HAVEN CAT PROJECT has many kittens, adolescent and young adult cats seeking loving, permanent homes. Vet checked. www.gnhcp.org/adopters •



Dog -- Man's Best Friend

Dogs first became domesticated some 20,000 years ago and have become man's best friend over time, offering companionship, protection and becoming part of the family.

Some dogs crave affection by humans on a regular basis with ear scratches and belly rubs. But each dog is different and some don't relish it at all. When petting your dog do so in a slow and respective way to see what he or she enjoys and is willing to tolerate. When approaching a strange dog, first check with the owner if it's ok, then to earn its trust, approach slowly and gently. Do not go for the dog's head, but rub the neck or back, while avoiding the legs and tail. As you build trust, you can eventually advance to hugs.

Do not yell or run toward a dog, especially one that is unfamiliar. This could be construed as aggressive behavior and a dog could retaliate in a defensive move.

Enjoy man's best friend - a dog.

Ron Johnson, Hamden

Scheduled Bus Trips

HORIZONS TRAVELERS presents **"Holiday Show Trip in the beautiful Amish Country"** on **Wed., Thurs. & Fri., Dec. 4, 5 & 6.** Roundtrip Deluxe Motor Coach. American Music Theatre "Joy to the World." Reserved Orchestra seats Christmas Show. Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre performance of Irving Berlin's "White Christmas." 2 nights accomodations Holiday Inn Express and Suites in Strasburg Penn., 2 hot breakfasts, Dinner at delicious Yoder's Restaurant, Kitchen Kettle Village, Bird n' Hand Market, "Good's" shopping, Countryside Amish road stand. Prices: $495 pp double, $475 pp triple, $605 single person, $100 deposit per person with reservation. Bus departs 8am from Miller Library, 2901 Dixwell Avenue, Hamden. Bus departs 8:45am from Commuter Lot, 332 Old Gate Lane, Exit 40 off I-95, Milford. For Reservations/Information please call (203) 231-5637 Carrie / Liz.

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

FOR SALE: Love seat, ultra suede, taupe, exc. cond., 60x37x32" high $75; (203) 288-7301 •

Hamden Rotary Club's November Student Of The Month



Pictured: With Theo are Rotarian Betsy Gorman, Principal Howard Hornreich, and Teacher Adrianne Quinn.

Hamden: Theo Rivera, a sixth grade student at Spring Glen School was honored. He is a kind, helpful and thoughtful listener who is also described as smart and funny by his classmates.

Children's Birthday Notices

Birthdays celebrated from Sun., November 24, 2024 to Sat. November 30, 2024 MUST BE IN OUR OFFICE BY Thur., November 27, 2024 to appear in our next issue FREE of charge. Digital photos are gladly accepted, but MUST be on CD, flash drive or emailed, NOT printed out.

Hamden's Got Talent Event

Youth Style - Hamden's Got Talent will be held on Friday, December 20, from 6-8pm at Thornton Wilder Auditorium, 2901 Dixwell Avenue.

Admission: $5.00 (suggested donation). Free Refreshments. Cash Prize for each age group, $200.00 for First Place!

Hosted by Hamden Youth Services Bureau.

For additional information: srubino@hamden.com

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Area Craft Fairs, Bazaars, Festivals, Auctions, Rummage, Flea Markets & Tag Sales

Craft Fairs/Bake Sales

EAST HAVEN/BRANFORD

BRANFORD COMPASSION CLUB will hold a **Holiday Cookie Sale & Gift Fair** on **Sat., Dec. 7th,** from 11am-2pm at the American Legion Hall, 243 North Main St., Branford. Featuring homemade cookies - make your own dozen, other baked goods, crafts, gifts for sale, raffle, vendors, spin the Roulette wheel to win a prize, and hot spiced apple cider. Proceeds to benefit Branford Compassion Club's Feline Rescue & Adoption Center. https://branfordcompassionclub.org.

HAMDEN/CHESHIRE

THE SAINT PAUL VI COLUMBIETTES Christmas Cookie Walk will be held **Sat., Dec. 21st,** 11am-2pm in the Saint Rita Parish Hall, 1620 Whitney Ave., Hamden. No time to bake this Holiday Season? Looking for festive treats for your Christmas gatherings without all the work? Come choose a variety of freshly baked, homemade Christmas cookies to share with family and friends. Cost is $12 per pound. Proceeds from the sale will be donated to the Saint Ann's Food Pantry.

NORTH HAVEN

WINTERFEST ON THE NORTH HAVEN FAIRGROUNDS: *Free Admission with Donation.* **Sat., Nov. 30th,** 10am-2pm, 290 Washington Ave., North Haven. 40+ Local Craft & Community Vendors, Free Kids Crafts & Games, Festive Food Trucks, Hay Rides, Decorated Trees & Raffle Baskets, Touch A Truck. 11am: School of Rock performance and appearance from the Grinch; 12:30pm: Story Time with our Elves. Santa arrives by truck at 1pm for photos. northhaven-fair.com

Crafters/Vendors Wanted

NORTH HAVEN

MONTOWESE BAPTIST CHURCH, 201 Quinnipiac Ave., North Haven will hold a **Christmas, Craft Fair & Auction** on **Sat., Dec. 7th,** from 10am-2pm. ***Crafters Needed!*** Tables available for $25. Call (203) 824-1170 and leave message. Festivities include light lunch, bake sale, silent auction with trees and other items, and homemade crafts! The Thrift Shop will also be open Friday and Saturday, 10am-3pm for the holidays. During November 30% off all dishes and glassware.

FOR SALE: Light wood table with tile top, 6 chairs included $100; (203) 710-7260 •

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

Buying Costume Jewelry



Call Jude (203) 868-1816

WANTED TO BUY:
Antiques & Collectibles, furniture, jewelry, silver, toys, advertising items, old signs, doorstops, garden items, fishing, military, clocks, Hummels & Lladró, linen, pottery, glass, etc.
Clean Out Services
(203) 641-0307 Northford

WANTED TO BUY

GRASSY HILL AUCTIONS, an Estate Sale, Liquidation, Attic & Basement Cleanout Company is Always Buying and providing services all over Connecticut. These are just a FEW of the things we are looking for: Antiques, Collectibles, Old/ Vintage Toys, Musical Instruments (Saxophones, Trumpets, Violins, Flutes, Clarinets, Trombone & SO MUCH MORE) Advertising Items, Wristwatches (Broken or Not), Pocket Watches, Tools (Machinist, Woodworking, & MORE) Doorstops, Clocks, Oil Paintings, Old Signs, Old Photographs, Old Postcards, Brewery Items, Hunting & Fishing, PEZ Dispensers, Costume Jewelry, Broken Jewelry, Gold & Silver Jewelry, Gold & Silver Coins, Military Items, Swords & Bayonets, Helmets & Patches, Medals & Uniforms, Pocket Knives, Lighters & Pipes, Fountain Pens, Mechanical Pencils, Fraternal Order Items, Religious Items, Industrial Items, Winchester Items, Sikorsky Items, Pratt & Whitney Items, Colt Items, Native American Items, Vintage Electronics, Slot Cars, Toy Trucks, Matchbox & Hotwheels, Barbie's, Folk Art, Statues, Bronzes, Trains, Cameras, Mid Century Modern Furniture, Straight Razors, Shaving Items, Political Items, Comic Books, Sports Cards & Autographs…& THE LIST GOES ON! So please give us a call at your earliest convince. **Grassy Hill Auctions (203) 868-1816; GrassyHill Auctions.com**

Upcoming Area Shows

CLASSIC SHOWS, LLC is having a **Train and Toy Show** on **Sun., December 8th,** from 10am-3pm at the Annex YMA Hall in New Haven. The Hall is located off I-95 exit 50 northbound or I-95 exit 51 southbound. The GPS address is 554 Woodward Ave., New Haven. the show features new and old trains of all gauges from manufacturers such as American Flyer, Lionel, LGB, and more. Diecast vehicles and vintage toys will be for sale. American Flyer parts will be available. There will be a portable O gauge train running on display. There is also a multi gauge test track. Admission is $6.00. Children 15 and under are free with an adult admission. For more information, visit our official website www.classicshowsllc or call (203) 926-1327.

Entertainment

WALLINGFORD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (WSO) will present **Golden Bells** on **Sun., Dec. 1st,** 2pm at Ann & George Colony Hall at Choate Rosemary Hall, 333 Christian Street, Wallingford. Featuring a special performance by Harmony On The Sound and Rising Star Lauren Wiedenmann. For Tickets: www.wallingfordsymphony.org or purchase at Gallagher Travel, 369 Center St., Wallingford. Children 18 & under accompanied by an adult are FREE.

Worth Tasting Culinary Tour 2024

New Haven: The remaining date for "Worth Tasting," a downtown culinary walking tour in New Haven is Sat., Dec. 7 (holiday tour). Spend an afternoon on a food tasting adventure with Stephen Fries, food columnist, Professor Emeritus of Hospitality Management and board member of the International Association of Culinary Professionals.

The four-hour tour includes stops at 7-8 different restaurants and eateries in the Elm City. The tour begins at 10:30am from the Omni New Haven Hotel at Yale, where guests will receive a goody bag. Ticket price for the December tour is $82.

Reservations are required. http://stephenfries.com/culinary-tours (203) 415-3519.

FOR SALE: Tommy Hilfiger extra large leather jacket, exc. cond. $60; (203) 915-8727 •

FOR SALE: The Manor 1962 yearbook, Fairfield University, like new $50; (203) 288-8841 •