

North Haven Memorial Library Presents the Parent Resource Fair

The North Haven Library will host its seventh Parent Resource Fair taking place at 17 Elm Street on March 21st between 10:30am and 12:30pm. This event provides access to a variety of local preschools, health care, summer camps, public services and more!

The Library is proud to host the Parent Resource Fair for the seventh time. The Parent Resource Fair is a great place for parents, grandparents or any caregivers to gather information and free handouts. If you are a new parent, parent to be or new to town, the Parent Resource Fair is the place for you to learn more



about many of your child care and health care options. This year, all participants will have the opportunity for a chance to win a Speed Puzzle Cube Set, a Tetra Tower Family Game, or Portable Bubble Machine.

The library will simultaneously be hosting an incredible magic show at 11:00 a.m. presented by Ed Popielarczyk located in the Children's Department. No registration is required. Please feel free to drop by both events.

For information on this and other library events, please visit our website at www.northhavenlibrary.net or call us at 203-239-5803.

North Haven Memorial Library March 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.**

Booktime Boogie: Wed., March 11, 10:30-11am. Ages: 2-5 yrs. We'll read some groovy stories, sing songs and play instruments in this loosely structured, rockin' storytime.

Magic - The Gathering - Teen Meetup: Wed., March 11, 3pm-5pm. Grades: 6th-12th. **No Registration Required.** Bring your deck(s) to compete and your favorite cards to show and tell. Our extra cards and pre-made decks are kept in the teen area.

Bedazzle a Book & Movie: Wed., March 11, 3pm-5:15pm. Bring a trade paperback book with a cover that you like and then bling the picture or title by gluing on rhinestones/gems. We'll have a movie playing in the background: *Enchanted*, PG.

Get Into Action - Happy Mind, Healthy Body: Wed., March 11, 6pm-6:30pm. Ages: 5-9 years. Join Gia Iwanec, Miss Connecticut Volunteer, for an exciting storytime all about the importance of taking care of our bodies! She'll go over exercise, nutrition, proper sleep and more as well as what it takes to be a nice friend and a kind person.

Playdoh Party: Thursday, March 12, 10:30-11am. Ages: 2-5 yrs. **No Registration Required.** We have the playdoh, tools, and idea mats so just bring your artistic talent.

Thursday Morning Book Club: March 12, 10:30-11:30am. For the month of March, we will be discussing *Martha's Vineyard and Book Club* by Martha Hall Kelly.

Healthy Eating on a Budget: Thurs., March 12, 3-4pm. Join Marisa, McCoy, a Registered Dietitian from the ShopRite of Wallingford, for a fun and informative presentation on how to eat healthy on a budget.

Library Science Squad: Thurs., March 12, 6pm-6:30pm. Ages: 6-11 yrs. We'll learn some cool science facts while making a fun science craft.

Sit & Stitch at North Haven Memorial Library: Thurs., March 12, 6pm-7:30pm. Bring your current projects or works-in-progress, yarn, and tools. Please note: this is not an instructional class. Some guidance, tools, and yarn can be provided, but participants should bring their own supplies and have a working knowledge of knitting, crochet, or other fiber crafts.

Online Author Talk - Kate Quinn: Thurs., March 12, 7pm-8pm, Virtual. You're invited to join us for a virtual conversation with acclaimed author Kate

Quinn about her latest fantastical work, *The Astral Library*, which poses the question: Have you ever wished you could live inside a book?

Mixed Media Art: Fri., March 13, 10:30-11am. Ages: 2-5 yrs. We'll spend the time tapping into kids' creativity and problem solving by giving them the opportunity to create with the supplies we provide.

Teen Homeschool Hangout: Fri., March 13, 10:30am-12:30pm. Grades: 6th-12th. **Registration Encouraged.** We'll create a fun craft, play games, make friends, and share what we've been up to since the last time we met.

Must See Movie - Hannah Arendt Facing Tyranny: Fri., March 13, 1:30-3pm. **No Registration Required.** Hannah Arendt, bold 20th century political thinker, drew from her WWII experiences as prisoner and refugee to develop influential theories on totalitarianism that remain relevant today. Rated: TV-14, Runtime: 83 mins.

LEGO Club: Saturday, March 14, 10:30-11:30am and Monday, March 16, 6pm-7pm. Ages: 4-12 yrs. **No Registration Required.** We provide the LEGOs™ and you provide the creativity!

Karen Olson - Author Talk: Sat., March 14, 2-3pm. Local author Karen E. Olson will discuss her new book, *A Defiant Woman*, the second in her Modern Tudor Mysteries series.

Parent Playdate: Monday, March 16, 10-11am. Ages: Parents/Caregivers of Children Ages 0-5 yrs. **No Registration Required.** Enjoy getting to know other parents/caregivers and their little ones, and check out all that the library has to offer.

Calm Connections: Mon., March 16, 11am-12 noon. Ages: Parents/Caregivers of Children Ages 0-5 yrs. **No Registration Required.** There will be a quick touch and feel storytime about halfway through the hour but the rest of the time is yours to enjoy and make new connections.

Petals for Spring, Cherry Blossom Painting: Monday, March 16, 6-7:45pm. Follow along with simple step-by-step instructions to create your own cherry blossom tree masterpiece to welcome spring!

Take & Create - Spring Mystery: Tues., March 17, Pickup time: 10am-8pm at the Adult Service Desk. Ages: 13+. What will you get? We provide the materials and directions for this take-home craft. Registration begins Tues., 3/10 - 3/12.

Junior Debate Club: Tues., March 17, 6-6:45pm. Ages: 6-11 yrs. Share your thoughts about serious and silly topics, as well as everything inbetween.

Middle School Chess Club: Tuesday, March 17, 6pm-7pm. Grades: 6th-8th. Interested in learning the game of chess? Join our highly-requested Middle School Chess Club!

Toddler Time: Wed., March 18, 10:30-11am. Ages: 2-3 yrs. Come learn AND have fun! Parent/Caregivers and their toddlers will interact with books, learn fingerplays, and sing.

Guided Meditation: Wednesday, March 18, 10:30-11:30am, Community Room and Zoom. Join Join Johanne Vannelli as she leads us through a mindfulness and meditation session.

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Annual Document Shredding Fundraiser - April 11

North Haven: As President of the North Haven Land Trust, I am writing to ask for your participation and support of our annual document shredding fundraiser, scheduled for Saturday, April 11, at the North Haven Pool parking lot, 45 Elm Street.

This shredding event is the primary fundraiser held each year by the North Haven Land Trust, a 54-year-old nonprofit organization dedicated to preserving open space in our communities. The Land Trust currently protects approximately 130 acres of undisturbed land in Hamden and North Haven for public access and environmental preservation.

Protected open space provides valuable natural habitats for wildlife, opportunities for passive recreation, and quiet places for residents to walk and enjoy the outdoors. Our mission is to preserve these spaces not only for today's residents but also for future generations.

Funds raised through this event allow us to:

- Pursue new open space acquisition opportunities when they become available
 - Maintain and steward existing properties
 - Cover insurance and essential property oversight
- Shredding will be done securely on-site. The cost remains affordable at **\$10 per shopping bag or copy paper box**, with larger quantities priced separately at the event.

Our volunteers will be on-site from **9am-12 noon**, and we look forward to helping you safely dispose of sensitive documents while supporting local land conservation efforts.

For more information, please visit our website at NorthHavenLandTrust.com or contact us at NorthHavenLandTrust@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support of open space preservation in our communities.

Sincerely, Rick Garner, North Haven Land Trust

Sen. Cicarella Welcomes Gov. Lamont's Veto, Urges Greater Transparency in Budget Process

North Haven: State Senator Paul Cicarella (R-34) issued the following statement regarding the governor's line-item veto of more than \$3.8 million in budget earmarks approved in last week's "emergency" session:

"I am encouraged

that the governor acted on concerns shared by Senate and House Republicans about the lack of transparency and accountability in how certain taxpayer dollars are allocated. Connecticut families and small business owners are facing rising costs and economic challenges, and they deserve a budget process that puts their priorities first and protects every dollar of their hard-earned money. We cannot continue to approve millions in last-minute spending without clear oversight, measurable outcomes, and strict accountability.

"Whether it's making our communities safer, tackling waste and fraud, or addressing the affordability crisis that burdens working families, our goal must be to restore trust in state government and ensure taxpayers see the value for every dollar spent. Before any additional earmarks are released, we need real reforms, stronger reporting standards, enhanced oversight mechanisms, and a commitment to fiscal responsibility that respects the contributions of Connecticut residents."

Last month, Sen. Cicarella along with Senate and House Republicans unveiled legislative proposals aimed at strengthening fiscal transparency, reducing costs for families, and improving oversight of state spending to ensure Connecticut's budget serves the people, not special interests



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