

District 23A Lions Clubs

APPLICATIONS NOW BEING ACCEPTED

District 23A Lions Clubs -- New Haven & Fairfield Counties are now accepting applications (Scan QR code). Communities in the local area that have Lions Clubs are: Cheshire, East Haven, Hamden, New Haven, North Haven, Wallingford, and West Haven.

Lions Clubs are looking for fun, positive community members dedicated to making a difference. The benefits are Leadership Growth, Community Impact, Networking and Friendship, Global Reach, and Local Action.

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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 Unsigned letters will not be published.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.

New Bench at Todd's Pond

To The Editor: October 28, 2026

A while back not quite so long ago, you may have noticed while driving by Todd's pond on maple avenue in North Haven that there is a new bench on the other side of the pond just over the small wooden bridge. Well that bench did not just appear there by accident it was made possible by me. After reflecting spiritually and listening to the beautiful people here in town I decided that I wanted to take action. And after a lot of collaboration with the Town of North Haven's public works department and months of waiting patiently for the materials, the bench is now open and available for everyone to enjoy.

I funded this project entirely on my own because all the people here in town deserve it, as a way to give back for all the hard work that you do. It's about time that the people have a place where they can go and reflect on the many troubles of their lives. And each time I drive by and see someone sitting on the bench it makes my heart happy because I know that someone is enjoying themselves in peace. What we do for others, will then come back to us. So when we treat others the way we want to be treated the world will then go around in a much more peaceful way.

I am a doer and what we do must match what we say. So please take some time to enjoy your life, read your favorite book, write down your thoughts, and take in the peacefulness of just sitting down on a bench. Thank you and God Bless.

Sincerely,
Andrea Puzio, North Haven

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Re-elect David Yaccarino

To The Editor: October 28, 2026

As Chairman of the North Haven Republican Town Committee, I am proud to express my strong support for State Representative David Yaccarino's reelection to represent the people of North Haven.

David has demonstrated a longstanding commitment to our community and to the residents he serves. As our state representative, he understands that effective leadership means listening to constituents, advocating for local priorities, and working to ensure that state government remains accountable to the people of Connecticut.

At a time when Connecticut families and small businesses continue to face the challenges of rising costs, affordability must remain a top priority. Residents deserve a representative who recognizes the financial pressures they face and is committed to policies that make our state a more affordable place to live, work, raise a family, and retire.

David brings experience, dedication, and a strong connection to the community he represents. He understands the importance of supporting our local businesses, protecting taxpayers, maintaining responsible state spending, and ensuring that North Haven's interests are heard in Hartford. These are not just campaign promises; they are priorities that should guide every decision made by our elected officials.

Representation also requires accessibility and accountability. Our community deserves a representative who remains engaged with residents, understands local concerns, and is willing to stand up for North Haven when important decisions are being made at the state level. David has earned the opportunity to continue that work.

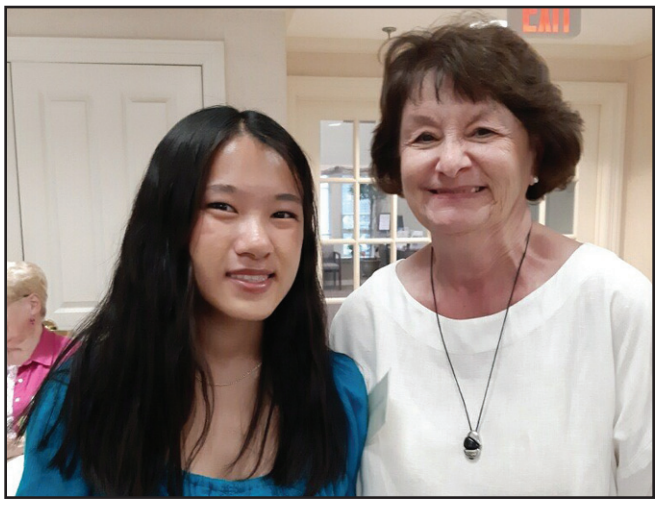
This election is about choosing the leadership and experience that will best serve our town and our state. I believe David Yaccarino has the commitment, knowledge, and dedication necessary to continue representing North Haven effectively.

On behalf of the North Haven Republican Town Committee, I encourage our residents to support David Yaccarino for reelection as State Representative. Keeping an experienced, dedicated voice for North Haven in the State House is important to our community's future.

I urge North Haven voters to reelect David Yaccarino and give him the opportunity to continue fighting for our town and the people who call it home.

Sincerely, Vin Gallo, North Haven

Suburban Garden Club Of Cheshire Is Proud To Announce Its 2026 Scholarship



Pictured: Rita Gianotti presents the Ginni Donovan Scholarship to Wendy Cai.

Cheshire: The Suburban Garden Club of Cheshire is proud to announce its 2026 scholarships have been awarded to Wendy Cai, a recent graduate of Cheshire High School. Ms. Cai was the winner of both the Suburban Garden Club Scholarship and the Ginni Donovan Memorial Scholarship, a one-time $2000 scholarship. She is attending the University of Connecticut as an Environmental Science major.

The funds for the SGC Scholarship are raised each year through the club's May Market held at the Youth Center in Cheshire.

Suburban Garden Club Of Cheshire Has Awarded Its 2026 Community Grant



Cheshire: The Suburban Garden Club of Cheshire awarded a grant for a local Eagle Scout project to build and install educational boot cleaner stations at the Riverbound Farm Sanctuary at the north end of town, promoting invasive species awareness, environmental conservation and community beautification. The project aligns with Suburban Garden Club's goals by encouraging gardening interest, promoting eco-friendly practices, and supporting civic involvement through youth-led efforts. Funds will cover materials. The project will help teach visitors to Riverbound Farm Sanctuary about invasive species and conservation. It will help raise awareness about invasive species and how they spread. The boot cleaner stations are to prevent people from tracking in things like eggs of invasive species or seeds from invasive plants. They also will help prevent eggs of invasive species and seeds from any invasive plants at Riverbound Farm Sanctuary from being tracked off the site and spreading around town.

Leading the project is CHS High School Senior and Eagle Scout, Jeffrey Sopchak, from Scout Troop 92 in Cheshire. The project includes building and installing three boot cleaner stations at trail heads at Riverbound Farm Sanctuary, which is part of Quinnipiac Valley Audubon Society. The boot cleaning stations will be made of wood and have a metal sign on the top of them that discusses invasive species and conservation and explains how the boot cleaners help the environment. There will be stone around the base to trap any seeds or eggs of invasive species that come off the boots. Weed fabric will be installed below the stone to help prevent the invasive species from growing and provide easy maintenance.

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