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North Haven Library 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.***

Puppies with a Purpose- Raising Tomorrow's Guide Dogs: Sat., May 16, 2pm-3pm. Join Kim Birge-Liberman to learn about the rewarding experience of raising and socializing a guide dog puppy to help empower individuals who are blind or visually impaired. Kim and her family have been raising guide dog puppies since 2021 with Fidelco Guide Dog Foundation.

Online Author Talk - Nir Eyal: Tues., May 19, 2-3pm, Virtual. What if the only thing standing between you and the seemingly impossible…was belief? This is the question posed by bestselling author Nir Eyal in his new work, *Beyond Belief*. Register now to learn more about how we can unlock our true potential.

Reverse Coloring: Tues., May 19, 2:30-3:45pm. Reverse coloring is a therapeutic art technique where you draw on pre-painted pages using a black pen. We'll start by making soothing unfinished watercolor designs. Join us to calm your mind, boost your mood, and meet like minded people in your community.

Online Author Talk - Elizabeth Lim: Wed., May 20, 7-8pm, Virtual. Inspired by the classic, romantic tale of Beauty and the Beast, bestselling author Elizabeth Lim features a cursed dragon lord and a plot to bring down the gods in her latest spellbinding work, *A Forgery of Fate*.

D&D One-Shot Adventure: Thurs., May 21, 4-6pm. Grades: 6th-8th. Join us for this one-night-only Dungeons & Dragons adventure! Pre-made character sheets and dice will be provided.

Readers & Writers for Homeschooled Teens: Fri., May 22, 10:30am-12 noon. Grades: 6th-12th. Join us for this creative writing/book club combo. We'll share our favorite books, chat about our latest writings, and get those creative juices flowing with fun activities.

Must See Movie - *Atomic People:* Fri., May 22, 1:30-3pm. No Registration Required. A record, drawn of the testimonies of Hibakusha -- survivors of the atomic bombs dropped on Japan-- of humanity's potential to destroy itself. Rated: TV-MA, Runtime: 85 mins.

Closed for Memorial Day - Mon., May 25 - All Day. We will reopen on Tues., May 26th.

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A Tree For Aurelian



Pictured: Aurelian and his mother look at the pitcher plant, and Aurelian's Tree.

North Haven: Family and friends of Aurelian Kamp gathered at the Kickapoo Nature Trail on Sunday, May 3, 2026, to participate in a tree planting event. Aurelian had become a favorite guest at the programs sponsored by the Daytime Gardeners of North Haven. As part of his home-schooling science lessons, he attended some of the programs with his mother Tahia (Ty) Kamp, and the club members loved seeing his curiosity and enjoyment of nature.

In late October 2025, Aurelian was fascinated as he learned about carnivorous plants at the garden club meeting. Bill Mathews, the guest speaker, invited Aurelian to feed a small insect to the Venus fly trap. Aurelian carefully held the insect in the tweezers and put it into the trap. He watched in amazement as the trap snapped shut! Mathews showed him the pitcher plant and cut open the stem so Aurelian and other participants could see the insects that were trapped and being digested by the plant.

A few days later a fire destroyed the family home and Aurelian, and his grandfather did not survive. The Daytime Gardeners chose to purchase a Dawn Redwood tree to plant in his memory. The Kickapoo Nature Trail is located on property owned by the North Haven Land Trust at 430 Clintonville Road. This location was selected because the Land Trust will always protect this site from development, so the tree will be safe to grow there for its lifetime.

Aurelian's brothers, Thaddeus F. Kamp (Thaddeus), and Frederick E. Kamp III (Fred) participated in the planting by digging and planting the tree, placing the stone, and erecting some deer fencing around the tree. The sisters from Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (on Chapel Hill Road in North Haven), who assisted the family in the time after the fire, participated in the event and sang a prayer song at the conclusion.

A quartz stone was donated by a garden club member to be engraved as a marker for Aurelian's tree. The stone was left in its natural state with the simple lettering "Aurelian's Tree". The engraving was donated by Nolan Monuments.

It is hoped that the tree will bring comfort to those who travel along the trail and watch this special tree grow tall and strong.

Photos by Sally Brocket

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North Haven Camera Club Bronx Zoo Field Trip



North Haven: Members of the North Haven Camera Club recently traded the quiet landscape of Connecticut for the vibrant wildlife of the Bronx Zoo. The group spent the day documenting some of the world's most majestic creatures.

Beyond field trips like the Bronx Zoo, the club offers monthly meetings, guest speakers, and opportunities to display work at local exhibitions.

For more information visit our website www.northhavencameraclub.com

North Haven Daisys Hike The Rock



North Haven: This past Sunday, two of North Haven Daisy troops spent some time outside. They met up at Peter's Rock and hiked the Storywalk, enjoying the trail. Great job!

If you are interested in signing up your kindergarten or first grader into a Girl Scout troop, there will be summer Daisy program for new Girl Scouts in North Haven in July. Please reach out to the Service Unit Manager at Northhavengssu@gmail.com for more information. You can always sign up at gsofct.org.