all about kids

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Early Care Learning Center
Visit our website at www.sunnysideupearlycare.com
76 Maple Ave., North Haven (203)239-7395



Making art and making friends go hand in hand and the fun never ends at Sunny Side Up!
Select Openings for 3 & 4 Year olds Available
PreK openings. Call for a tour!

The Greater N.H. Cat Project, Inc.

GNHCP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to humanely addressing feline overpopulation through rescue, care, education, and outreach.

ANNUAL RAFFLE FUNDRAISER

The Greater New Haven Cat Project (GNHCP), Inc. is excited to launch its Annual Raffle Fundraiser, running now thru July 25. Tickets are just $1 each, and proceeds support GNHCP's mission to improve the lives of stray, abandoned, and feral cats in the Greater New Haven area.

Tickets can be purchased directly from a GNHCP volunteer or online at www.gnhcp.org/raffle.

Prizes include: 1st Prize: $250 Visa Gift Card; 2nd Prize: $200 Stop & Shop Gift Card; 3rd Prize: $100 Olive Garden Gift Card; 4th Prize: $50 Chewy Gift Card.

The drawing will take place on Saturday, July 25, 2026, at 6pm. Winners need not be present to win. For questions, contact rise@gnhcp.org.

Community Services Hosting Equipment and Supplies Drive to Benefit North Haven Animal Control



The Town of North Haven Department of Community Services is reaching out to the community for assistance in providing essential supplies and equipment for the dogs and cats currently in the care of North Haven Animal Control. As the number of animals entering the shelter continues to increase, so does the need for specialized equipment, daily care items, and enrichment supplies.

The donation drive will take place throughout the month of July. Donations made through this effort will directly support the care, comfort, safety, and enrichment of animals awaiting adoption or reunification with their families. Every contribution, regardless of size, helps ensure that North Haven Animal Control can continue providing quality care to vulnerable animals in our community.

A wish list of requested items is available through Amazon: https://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/owner-view/UOYSO93DYWKP

If you are interested in donating or have any questions about specific items needed, please contact Carla Picard in Community Services at (203) 239-5321 x8504. Checks can be made payable to the Treasurer, Town of North Haven and mailed to the attention of North Haven Animal Control, Memorial Town Hall, 18 Church Street, North Haven, CT 06473.

Donations can also be dropped off at the Community Services office located at 5 Linsley St. weekdays between 9am-4pm.

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

WANTED: Collector buying any Connecticut Brewery items for Wehle, Hulls, Wiebel, Largay or any other CT Breweries, signs, cans, bottles, etc.; call (203) 915-7662 •

Buying Gold, Silver, Fashion & 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**

North Haven Memorial Library July 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.***

Mixed Media Art: Wednesday, July 15, 10:30am-11am: Ages: 2-5.

PopUp Painting: Wednesday, July 15, 2:30-4pm. Age Group: Adults.

Ice Cream Duo Canvas: Wed., July 15, 3-4pm. Ages: 6-11 with an Adult. **Take and Create - Summer Sunflower Coaster: Thurs., July 16, 10am-8pm (Adult Service Desk).** Ages: 13+. We provide the materials and directions for this take-home craft, you provide the fun!

Baby Rhyme Time: Thurs., July 16, 10:30-11:15am. Ages: Birth-2 yrs. Registration is highly recommended but not required. Walk-ins are always welcome. This program brings caregivers and babies together to nurture bonds and increase awareness of the child's development.

Online Author Talk - Reyna Grande: Thurs., July 16, 2pm-3pm, Virtual. Age Group: Adults. In her ambitious new memoir, *Migrant Heart: Essays About Things I Can't Forget*, beloved bestselling author Reyna Grande illuminates the hidden cost of the American Dream and the complex journey of healing that follows survival.

Triad of Documents: Thurs., July 16, 3-4:30pm. Age Group: Adults. Join us for a 250th Anniversary talk by Mark Albertson exploring the pivotal documents that emerged during the American Revolutionary War.

Creation Station - Decorate Sunglasses: Thurs., July 16, 4-5pm. Ages: 3-10 yrs. with an Adult. No Registration Required. Come make a craft at the library while supplies last. This week: Keep your eyes shaded all summer long with cool, personalized style.

LEGO Club: Fri., July 17, 10:30-11:30am. Ages: 4-12 yrs. No Registration Required. We provide the LEGOs™ and you provide the creativity!

Must See Movie - *Jaguar Beach:* Fri., July 17, 1:30pm-2:30pm. Age Group: Adults. No Registration Required. On a remote stretch of Costa Rica's Pacific coast, two unlikely creatures, the sea turtle and the jaguar, collide with spectacular consequences for their species and their ecosystems. PBS Nature Films. Rated: TV-14.

Parent Playdate: Monday, July 20, 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!

Dungeons and Dragons- - Seeds of Adventure: Monday, July 20, 5:30pm-7:30pm. Age Group: Adults. Over the course of multiple sessions, you'll step into a pre-made character, join a party of fellow adventurers, and shape a shared story full of mystery, danger, and discovery. Supplies will be provided, though participants are welcome to bring their own.

Picnic & Performance - Mr. Lobster: Mon., July 20, 6pm-7pm. All Ages. No Registration Required. Join local musician and music teacher Mr. Lobster (Christian Loftus) for an interactive concert for kids!

Tutu Tuesday: July 21, 10:30-11am. Ages: 6 mos.-3 yrs. If you and your child have a tutu or bow tie, wear it while enjoying music, dancing, and a story.

Guided Meditation: Tues., July 21, 2pm-3pm, Community Room & Zoom. Age Group: Adults. Join Johanne Vannelli as she leads us through a mindfulness and meditation session.

Switch Party: Tues., July 21, 3pm-3:45pm. Ages: 6-11 yrs. No Registration Required. Grab your controller and join us at the Library for a gaming party where we will play some fun multi-player switch games together! *We have limited switch controllers, so please bring your own from home.

Middle School Chess Club: Tues., July 21, 4-5pm. Grades: 6th-8th. Looking for more middle schoolers to play with? Join our highly-requested Middle School Chess Club!

Toddler Time: Wed., July 22, 10:30-11am. Ages: 2-3 yrs. Parent/Caregivers and their toddlers will interact with books, learn fingerplays, and sing.

Playdoh Party: Wed., July 22, 3-3:30pm. Ages: 2-5. No Registration Required. We have the playdoh, tools, and idea mats so just bring your artistic talent.

Teen Poetry Workshop: Wed., July 22, 4pm-5pm. Grades: 6th-12th. Registration Encouraged. We'll do fun poetry-inspired activities, chat about your poem(s), and give you feedback to help make your writing even better.

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

Tag/Rummage Sales

NORTH HAVEN

MONTOWESE BAPTIST CHURCH Blessings Thrift Shop, 201 Quinnipiac Ave., North Haven, located behind the church. Hours: Fri. & Sat., 10am-2pm. ***Save Big Now*** while it's off-season on Jackets and coats. Hope to see you soon. Always a secret sale happening! All items are in good to mint condition. Please until further notice the thrift shop is NOT ACCEPTING ANY DONATIONS and please NO BULK ITEMS. Contact Pauline for questions (203) 824-1170. All proceeds help pay the bills at Montowese Baptist Church! Worship hours, 10:30am on Sunday. Please join us. All are welcome. Check us out on FACEBOOK at https://www.facebook.com/people/The-Montowese-Baptist-Church/100086603520221/#

Scheduled Bus Trips

MOHEGAN SUN CASINO: Monday, July 27th. Pick up at Miller Library, Hamden at 8:30am, leaving the Casino at 3:30pm. Cost is $35. **All proceeds go to Abandoned Animals, Inc.** Please call Arlene at (203) 248-8936 for information and reservations.

HORIZONS TRAVELERS PRESENTS: *An Exclusive Event* - **"Margaritaville on Cape Cod" - A new Resort in Hyannis, MA: Mon., Tues., Wed., September 21-23.** 3 days, 2 nights. Roundtrip Motorcoach, 2 nights at the New Margaritaville Resort, 2 Buffet Breakfast at Resort, 2 Dinner Shows at the Resort, The Amazing Edward Twins Show, Kenny Rogers + Dolly Tribute Show, Hyannis Harbor Cruise (Kennedy Compound), Free time on Main Street in Hyannis (Shops), Guided Tour of Hyannis, Twin Rivers Casino. On Mon., Sept. 21 Bus Departs: 8am - Miller Library, 2901 Dixwell Ave., Hamden; 8:30am-Commuter Lot Exit 40 off I-95, 332 Old Gate Lane, Milford. $100 deposit per person to hold your seat, $672 per person double occupancy. Cancellation protection is available for $49 per person at sign-up only. If interested, please call Liz/Carrie, (203) 231-5637 for a flyer or more information.

Save the Date Shore Line Trolley Museum's Annual Dinner & Auction - Sept. 27

Please save the date for the Shore Line Trolley Museum's Annual Dinner & Auction on Sunday, September 27, 2026.

Join us for dinner, live and silent auctions, dancing, and a special keynote presentation by Anthony "Unk" DaRos, former Branford First Selectman.

This special event will celebrate America's 250th anniversary and the spirit of innovation and ingenuity that helped drive our nation forward, while supporting the museum's ongoing preservation and educational programs.

Additional information, sponsorship opportunities, and ticket reservations are available at shorelinetrolley.org/fundraiser.

We hope you will join us for this special event.

WANTED: Old tools, musical instruments, military, Winchesters, Colts, antique guns & old hunting & fishing. We buy gold & silver coins and jewelry. Anything related to vintage jewelry. Call Joe, (203) 488-7271 •