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A "Patchwork" of North Haven Stories



North Haven: The North Haven Historical Society & Museums will be hosting a presentation and signing of the book Patchwork by Barbara Jodry on Saturday, August 15, 2026. This event will be held at the Cultural Center, 27 Broadway from 10 AM to 12 noon. Melinda Jodry, editor and daughter of the author, has also agreed to speak about the book and answer questions.

Patchwork is, in Melinda Jodry's words, a "collection of stories of growing up in North Haven". It tells the story of the Randall family and "Beautiful View Farm" located between Clintonville Road and Patten Road on the east side of town. The farmhouse still stands, though the farm was sold in 1962. The book presents a charming depiction of everyday life through the eyes of an intelligent, witty, and creative young woman.

This event is free and open to all; there is ample parking, but please be advised that the Cultural Center is not handicapped-accessible. For more information about the program or to purchase a copy of the book, call the Historical Society at 203-239-7722, or email us at nhhistsoc@gmail.com.

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NHHS Sports Hall of Fame Athletes to be Honored

North Haven High School Sports Hall of Fame proudly announces the following individuals who will be honored at the 25th Awards Ceremony and Lunch on Saturday, October 24 at The Woodwinds in Branford:

Frank LaMonaca - Athlete, Class of 1975

Christopher LeGates - Athlete, Class of 1987

Steven Niles - Athlete, Class of 1989

Max Joyner - Athlete, Class of 1991

Brittany Nelson D'Andrea - Athlete, Class of 2006

Mark Zurlis - Athlete, Class of 2012

Ticket information will be available on our website NHHS Sports Hall of Fame - NHHS Sports Hall of Fame - North Haven Athletics later this summer!

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North Haven Memorial Library August 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.***

Off to Kindergarten: Wed., Aug. 12, 10:30-11:30am. Ages: For children attending kindergarten in September. This program is designed to get your child ready for kindergarten with a story, craft, songs and rhymes.

PopUp Painting: Wed., August 12, 2:30-4pm. Ages: 18+. You'll listen to crafting music while painting a pre-dawn landscape on a canvas board. This unstructured peaceful craft is like meditation with a brush.

OK, Chef! Thurs., Aug. 13, 6-6:30pm. Ages: 6-9. Bring your imagination (and taste buds!) and learn to decorate a special seasonal treat!

Adult and Teen Sit & Stitch: Thurs., Aug. 13, 6pm-7:30pm. Ages: 13+. We're opening up Sit & Stitch to teens for this one-night-only collaborative fiber arts session! Bring your current project, meet other fiber artists, and learn new tips and tricks from seasoned yarn enthusiasts.

Teen Hangout: Fri., Aug. 14, 10:30am-12:30pm. Grades: 6th-12th. Registration Encouraged. Join us for our special summer editions of Teen Homeschool Hangout! We'll play games, work on a craft, and share what we've been up to since our last hangout. August's craft: Pom-Pom Animals.

Must See Movie - *What's Up, Doc?:* Fri., Aug. 14, 1:30-3pm. Ages: 18+. No Registration Required. The accidental mix-up of four identical plaid overnight bags leads to a series of increasingly wild and wacky situations. Rated: G, Runtime: 94 mins.

Youth Poetry Contest Readings and Award Ceremony: Mon., Aug. 17, 6-7:30pm. All Ages. Registration is encouraged, but drop-ins are welcome. Please join us for a special evening as we celebrate youth poets! At this event, all youth who participated in this summer's poetry contest are invited to read their submission and/or a poem of their choice. We'll conclude with the announcement of this year's contest winners. One winner will be chosen from each of our three grade brackets: Kindergarten - 5th, 6th-8th, and 9th-12th. Winners will receive a prize and certificate. All are welcome to attend this event. Bring your family! Light refreshments will be served.

Book Page Roses: Tues., Aug. 18, 2:30-4pm. Ages: 13+. This much anticipated book page paper rose craft workshop is a mindful, hands-on session where participants upcycle old, pre-loved novels into everlasting, blooms. Join us to calm your mind, boost your mood, and meet like-minded people in your community.

Middle School Chess Club: Tues., Aug. 18, 4-5pm. Grades: 6th-8th. Interested in learning the game of chess? Looking for more middle schoolers to play with? Join our highly-requested Middle School Chess Club!

Online Author Talk - G. Neri: Thurs., Aug. 20, 7-8pm, Virtual. All Ages. Celebrated author G. Neri invites readers for a journey through the U.S. in his funny and heartfelt book, *My Bicentennial Summer*. The year is 1976, and America is throwing its biggest birthday party ever—its bicentennial. What better way to celebrate than with an eight-thousand-mile road trip? Young Greg is entranced by the variety of accents, strange foods, natural wonders, and historical attractions, from the Grand Canyon to the Statue of Liberty. And he glimpses the darker side of traveling as a family of color, pondering whether "We the People" includes people like him.

Readers and Writers Club: Fri., Aug. 21, 10:30am-12pm. 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.

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