Get To Know Your Soccer Referee

North Haven: In our continued effort to foster a positive and respectful atmosphere at NHSC, we're excited to share our "Get to Know Your Referee" series. This initiative supports our zero tolerance policy on referee abuse by reminding the community that our referees are local kids, dedicated to helping our games run smoothly. Through this series, we aim to celebrate their contributions and let you learn a bit more about the hardworking referees on the field.



For the latest installment of the series, we're thrilled to introduce you to Christian!

Referee's Name: Christian, age: 15, North Haven High School, grade: 10. Favorite School Subject: math, favorite soccer Team(s): Juventus, favorite soccer Player(s): Romelu Lukaku, other sports/hobbies: Soccer, Track and Field, favorite food: cheese burger, favorite movie or TV show: Black Panther.

What does he enjoy most about being a referee?: Watching the kids enjoy themselves on the field.

Fun Fact or Unique Talent: I run fast.

Why did I become a referee?: To start earning money and develop my soccer knowledge from both a player and a referees perspective.

When you see Christian on the pitch this weekend, please be sure to thank him for the dedication and energy he puts into making our games run smoothly each and every week!

Birdseed Wreath And Basket Fundraiser At St. Elizabeth Of The Holy Trinity Christmas Bazaar

North Haven: The North Haven Garden Club will be selling our homemade birdseed wreaths, baskets and ornaments at the St. Elizabeth of the Holy Trinity Christmas Bazaar on Friday November 8th from 5pm-8pm, and on Saturday November 9th from 9am to 3pm. We wish you a healthy, happy Thanksgiving and holiday season. We thank you for your past support and we are reaching out to you this year to help support the North Haven Garden Club. We are a non profit volunteer organization which depends on the money raised at our fundraisers to support our efforts to help beautify North Haven in the coming year. Funds raised from the sale of our wreaths and baskets help support many of the projects the North Haven Garden Club does throughout town.



Our homemade wreaths, baskets, and ornaments make a wonderful gift for that someone who loves birds or for that hard to buy person in your life. There are 3 sizes available: Large- measures 10 inches in diameter and comes in a mesh bag with a festive decorative bow for easy hanging- $15.00, Small- comes with decorative hanger,makes a great small gift for teachers, mailman, or a hostess gift- $5.00 and our ornament size with hanger for $4.00 & $5.00. Baskets are also available in 3 sizes, small-$15.00, medium-$25.00, and deluxe-$35.00 - details provided upon request. This year we have extra large wreaths, basically a double wreath for sale for $25.00. Quantities are limited.

If you can't stop by at the St. Elizabeth of the Holy Trinity Christmas Bazaar, there is another way to purchase these wonderful gifts. Custom orders can be made upon request. Order deadline is DECEMBER 16th. Prepayment is required and checks should be made out to North Haven Garden Club. Wreaths/baskets can be delivered for an additional charge of $5.00.

To place an order please contact Cindy Golia at nhgccindy@yahoo.com., or phone 203-314-5807-please leave a message, or a message can be left on our Facebook page and you will be contacted. Checks should be mailed to NHGC 12 Stanton Rd North Haven, CT 06473, please indicate what you would like on check or separate paper. See our Facebook page for pictures of everything available.

Don't forget to check out The North Haven Garden Club on Facebook for lots of useful and entertaining information and pictures of all our club does in our great town of North Haven! For membership information please email Italia at italia_a@comcast.net.

Article and photo by Cindy Golia

Elks Lodge #25 Hoop Shoot

North Haven: The New Haven Elks Lodge #25 Hoop Shoot will be held on Sat., Nov. 2 at the North Haven Park & Rec., 7 Linsley Street, from 8am-12 noon. Times (by age group): 8 & 9 year olds: 8-9am; 10 & 11 year olds: 9:30-10:30am; 12 & 13 year olds: 11am-12 noon.

The Elks National Hoop Shoot is a free, free-throw program for children ages 8-13. It starts at the lodge level, the first-place winners will then proceed to the district level, state level, Regional level, in Maine, and finally the national level in Chicago.

Youth ages 8-13 are invited to compete in three age groups, 8-9, 10-11, and 12-13, with girls and boys competing separately. Participants can only compete at ONE Lodge contest per year. Then, they must win at each level along the way before stamping a ticket to the National Finals.

Six national champions will have their names and photographs displayed at the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield Massachusetts.

For more information, go to: elks.org/hoopshoot or contact, Jacqueline Tatro, Hoop Shoot director at (203) 715-6345 or stop by the lodge 80 Old Broadway, North Haven.

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FREE: Upright piano with seat; call for details, (203) 927-6945 •

Garden Club Member Ribbons For Oil Paintings At Durham Fair



Wallingford Garden Club member Shirley Lagerstrom won several blue ribbons at the 2024 Durham Fair in oil painting category.

Shirley is currently the Floral Design Chair and has monthly demos on Floral Elements and Principles of Design with members sharing their floral design examples.

She also has painting classes at her home.

Wallingford Garden Club is a member of The Federated Garden Clubs of Connecticut, New England Garden Clubs, Inc and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

Annual Holiday Food Drive

North Haven's The Annual Holiday Food Drive collection bins are now set out at many businesses in town. The Food Drive, sponsored by the Churches of North Haven, is again collecting non-perishable food items to include in holiday boxes that will be delivered to families of North Haven for Thanksgiving and Christmas. North Haven families need as much help as possible.

There are many easy ways to donate food. Non-perishable food items can be donated directly to the Food Pantry at the North Haven Congregational Church any weekday morning between 8am & 2:30pm. Collection bins are located at North Haven Memorial Library, North Haven Town Hall, Arnold's Jewelers– the North Haven Diamond Center, Be Some Body Fitness & Pilates, Carol's Creations, Connex Credit Union (North Haven Branch), Mio Salon, North Haven Health and Racquet, North Haven Pharmacy, Paul Mitchell School, Quinnipiac University School of Law, Quinnipiac Physical Therapy, Ron's Barber Shop, Sherwin Williams, Spectrum Hair, Surge, TD Bank, The Maids and U.S. Renal Care.

North Haven Cub and Boy Scouts will be delivering bags to homes and will pick up the bags of food on November 9 between 9am and 11:30am.

Gift certificates or cash donations can be made toward the purchase of perishable items. Checks should be payable to North Haven Congregational Church, Food Drive in the memo line.

We will pack up the Thanksgiving and Christmas food boxes over the course of 2 days in small teams. We will provide a way to sign up for a team on the Congregational Church website.

The Thanksgiving pickup and delivery will occur on November 23; Christmas pickup and delivery will be on December 21. Of course, food items delivered at all times will be added to the North Haven Food Pantry to be given during the year to needy families.

For more information and a list of specific food items needed, and if you or your business want to participate, please call the North Haven Congregational Church at (203) 239-5691.

North Haven Memorial Library Oct./Nov. 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.***

Halloween Toddler Time: Wed., Oct. 30, 10:30-11am. Ages: 2 to 3.

Guided Meditation: Wed., Oct. 30, 10:30-11:30am.

Teen Craft-o-ween - Presented by Lord of the Strings: Wed., Oct. 30, 5:30-7:30pm. Grades: 6th-12th.

Halloween Pajama Storytime & Stuffed Animal Sleepover: Wed., Oct. 30, 6-6:45pm. Ages: 4-11. *Stuffed Animal Pick Up: Thursday, October 31 between 11am-7:30pm or Friday, November 1 between 11am-4:30pm.* Wear your coziest pjs or a costume and bring in one of your favorite stuffed animals!

Romance Book Club: Wed., Oct. 30, 6:30-7:30pm.

Trick or Treat at the Library: Thurs., Oct. 31, All Day. Ages: 0-12 yrs. No Registration Required. Stop by the library in your Halloween costume to trick-or-treat!

Halloween Baby Rhyme Time: Thurs., Oct. 31, 10:30-11am. Ages: 0-24 mos. No Registration Required.

November - All Month Long! Scarecrow Scavenger Hunt: All Ages. No Registration Required.

Mixed Media Art: Fri., Nov. 1, 10:30-11am. Ages: 2-5.

Readers & Writers for Homeschooled Teens: Fri., Nov. 1, 10:30am-12 noon. Ages: 13+.

Must See Movie - *When Whales Could Walk* Friday, Nov. 1, 1:30-2:30pm. No Registration Required.

LEGO Club: Sat., Nov. 2, 10:30-11:15am & Mon., Nov. 4, 6-6:45pm. Ages: 4-12 yrs. No Registration Required. We provide the LEGOs™

Saturday Concert Series-North Haven High School Choirs: Sat., Nov. 2, 2-3pm. All Ages.

Parent Playdate: Mon., Nov. 4, 10-11am. Ages: Parents/Caregivers of Children Ages 0-5 yrs. No Registration Required.

Yin Yoga: Mon., Nov. 4, 10:30-11:30am. Students must bring their own yoga mats.

Teen Debate Club - Is Your Convenience Killing Our Earth? Banning the Use of Single Use Plastics: Mon., November 4, 3-4:30pm. Grades: 6th-12th. Registration Encouraged.

The Empowered Caregiver- Exploring Care and Support Services: Mon., Nov. 4, 6-7:30pm. We'll examine how best to prepare for future care decisions and changes, including respite care, residential care, and end-of-life care.

Bilingual Storytime: Tues., Nov. 5, 10:30-11am. Ages: 1-5.

German Conversation Group: Tues., Nov. 5, 4-5pm. Come practice your German speaking in an informal group.

Switch Party: Tues., Nov. 5, 6-6:45pm. Ages: 6-11. 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 here so please bring your own from home.

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Early Care Learning Center
Visit our website at www.sunnysideupearlycare.com
Select openings for 3 and 4 Year olds available
76 Maple Ave., North Haven (203)239-7395



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PREK OPENINGS. CALL FOR A TOUR!

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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 •



THE GREATER NEW HAVEN CAT PROJECT has many kittens, adolescent and young adult cats seeking loving, permanent homes. Vet checked. www.gnhcp.org/adopters •

PET ACCESSORIES

FOR SALE: Dog crate, large, metal, puppy training, 41"Lx27"Hx22"W, $99; (203) 239-9257 •

Tail To Paw Animal Support

No Animal Left Behind, No Human Left Alone



Tail To Paw Animal Support is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) charity that provides owners with access to free or low-cost basic medical assistance, food, vaccinations and other care regardless of their housing or income insecurity. By providing more easily accessible resources to the disabled, veterans, homeless, seniors and low-income, Tail To Paw helps to keep animals with their owners and reduce abandonment and surrender to shelters and the streets.

Tail To Paw Animal Support works with owners who depend on the companionship of their animals within the Greater New Haven Community in Connecticut. We focus this effort among the following populations: homeless/unsheltered, at risk homeless, disabled, veterans, seniors and low-income.

Tail To Paw assists owners to keep their companion animals with them, by offering services through multiple programs:

- Access to pet food and supplies at no cost or subsidized pricing
- Access to vaccinations, spay/neuter, basic medical or emergency medical at no cost or subsidized pricing
- Case management for all participants to assist with other benefits including, but not limited to SNAP, energy assistance, etc.
- Public education regarding TNR and feral colonies

Tail To Paw Animal Support's website is https://www.tailtopaw.org and contains information about our case management and assistance programs, as well as our fundraising programs and ways to donate. Tail To Paw is also on Facebook, Instagram and Tik Tok.

FOR SALE: 1962 Fairfield University yearbook "The Manor" new condition $50; (203) 288-8841 •