

Jennifer King To Speak At North Haven Camera Club



North Haven Camera Club will be hosting Jennifer King at an online Zoom meeting explaining the 'The Principles of Design to Create More Dramatic Photos' on Tuesday, November 12th at 7pm. Aspiring photographers are invited to attend this free meeting to learn more about making the most of their photos.

North Haven Camera Club meets at 7pm on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month from September through June. The 2nd Tuesday of the month's meeting is dedicated to guest speakers or hands on photo get togethers which show members many different aspects of photography such as still life, landscape, macro and portrait photography and more. The club has a combination of live and Zoom presentations.

The 4th Tuesday of the month is dedicated to friendly photo competitions which help members learn more about photo composition and other photography related skills designed to help you take great photos.

Whether you shoot with a DSLR, Mirrorless or Cell Phone camera you are welcome to join North Haven Camera Club. For more information about the club visit our website at North Haven Camera Club – For those who are passionate about photography or if you would like to attend this Zoom meeting please contact us via email at northhaven-cameraclub@gmail.com and we will gladly send you a link.



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Please Note: Letters and endorsements will be published but because of space limitation can only be 350 words in length.

Brandi Mandato Fights for Affordable and Accessible Healthcare

To The Editor: October 30, 2024
As Chair of the North Haven Democratic Town Committee and a nurse, I'm writing to express my strong endorsement of Brandi Mandato for State Senate, particularly for her commitment to healthcare. As a district resident, I see daily how critical it is for everyone to have comprehensive, accessible healthcare, and Brandi's unwavering dedication to this issue is exactly what we need.

Brandi believes healthcare is a fundamental right. No one should have to choose between essential medical care and paying for other basic needs. Her plan includes expanding affordable healthcare access, lowering prescription drug costs, and improving mental health services, making it clear that her focus is on real issues affecting real people.

Brandi also understands that marginalized groups are often disproportionately affected by systemic inequities in healthcare. She is committed to policies that promote health equity, aiming to address and reduce disparities across our communities. Her experience as a community advocate and public servant positions her uniquely to take on complex healthcare issues and develop solutions that prioritize everyone's well-being.

In a time when access to quality healthcare has never been more important, we need leaders like Brandi Mandato, who are fighting to make healthcare affordable and accessible to all. I urge my fellow residents to support Brandi's campaign and join her in building a healthier, more equitable future for all of us.

Lori Struzinski,
Chair, North Haven Democratic Town Committee

Brandi Will Work for Us!

To The Editor: October 30, 2024
Have you been following the 34th District State Senate race? Brandi Mandato, the Democratic candidate, is the real deal—ready to work and fight for all of us!

Brandi offers real solutions to our toughest issues, focused on building community and investing in us, the people learning and working in our district. She understands the kitchen table issues we face, like rising energy and food costs. With a degree in criminal justice, she has spent the last twenty years working at non-profits, collaborating with individuals, businesses, and government at all levels, to tackle our society's most pressing challenges, including housing, employment, and public safety. Her work has even received federal recognition.

For years, our representatives have failed to secure education funding needed to prevent tax increases across the district, and teacher layoffs in Wallingford. We need a state senator who will advocate for public education funding, and that is Brandi Mandato!

I have known Brandi for over three years. I have witnessed her collaborate effectively, with Republican town leaders in Town Hall and the Board of Education, to improve our community. I am confident she will bring that same dedication to Hartford.

I urge you to vote—early or on November 5th—to elect Brandi Mandato as our next state senator for the 34th District. You will see, as I have, that she will work tirelessly for us.

Sincerely, Scott D. Friedman, North Haven

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Unafraid to Stand Up for What's Right

To The Editor: October 30, 2024
When I met Brandi Mandato 10 years ago, I was in my early 40's and had never registered to vote. I was raised in a community where you didn't talk about politics and, to be honest, I didn't notice much change in my life based on who was in the White House. On our first date, Brandi asked me about my political beliefs and it's one of the few times in our life together that I've seen her stunned into silence. I registered to vote that week.

At that time Brandi was working for one of the largest homeless shelters in the country, helping veterans, people with disabilities, and other people down on their luck find their footing and restart their lives. In that moment, and every day since then, she has shown me that policy impacts every part of our lives whether we pay attention to it or not. I've also learned just how personal politics is. As we navigated a long and at times heartbreaking fertility journey to become parents of our two amazing daughters, through caring for my mother during the last years of her painful journey with Alzheimer's disease and deciding to put down roots where Brandi grew up, policy has sat at the table with us through every decision.

There are few things that could make me move away from pizza in Brooklyn. Brandi, our family, and the community we have here is the thing that did it. In my whole life I have never known someone like her. Taking care of the people around her is not something she does—it's who she is. She creates community everywhere she goes and is unafraid of standing up for what's right, even if she's standing alone. No one that knows and loves her is surprised she was the one who raised her hand to demand better for District 34. She doesn't see

herself as special, because she sees all of us as capable of such extraordinary things and it's why she fights so hard to make sure all our voices are heard.

I am so proud of my wife and ask you to join me in voting for a better future by voting for Brandi Mandato.

Stephen Greco, North Haven

Upcoming Events in Hamden

Town of Hamden 2024 Revaluation Public Discussion:
Thurs., Nov. 7, 6:30-8:30pm at Keefe Community Center, 11 Pine St. (Parking at 19 George Street); **Tues., Nov. 19, 6:30-8:30pm** at Thornton Wilder Hall, 2901 Dixwell Ave.

Join us for an important community meeting to discuss the results of the Town's 2024 property revaluation.

This is an opportunity for residents to: Learn about their updated property values • Understand the impact of the revaluation process • Receive guidance on next steps if you disagree with your valuation.

For more information, contact: Revaluation Company directly, Tyler Technologies at (203) 672-2061 or by email at: reval@hamden.com or the Assessor's Office at (203) 287-7128 or by email at: assessors@hamden.com

2nd Annual Veterans Awareness Day: Fri., Nov. 8 at Hamden Middle School. Presented by Hamden Veterans Commission and Hamden Middle School.

Opening ceremony with guest speakers • Missing Man table demonstration • Interact with over 400 students • Free catered lunch.

Veterans help needed! Share your memorabilia and experienc-

es with over 400 Hamden Middle School students! (Participants do not need to be Hamden residents.)

To participate: contact David Lewis, Chairman, Hamden Veterans Commission at: lewishcert@yahoo.com or (203) 654-1894 or CW4 Cal Shepard, US Army Retired at: Shepard.Cal@gmail.com or (203) 287-8234.

The Town of Hamden Welcomes Home 2024 Olympic Gold Medalist Alexis Holmes: Sat., Nov. 9, from 2-4pm at Town Center Park, 2761 Dixwell Ave. Join us as we welcome home our hero and commemorate the official Alexis Holmes Day. An afternoon of celebration and fun! Music, Speakers, Photos, Food.

FOR SALE: Area rug, 7'10"x10'11" Oriental, predominantly red theme, exc. cond. \$100; call (203) 606-0932

Town of North Haven

REFUSE COLLECTION: VETERANS DAY

The North Haven Public Works Department wishes to advise all North Haven residents that the refuse collection for the week of November 11, 2024 Veterans Day, **will be unchanged.**

The Recycling Center on Elm Street **will be open.** The Recycling Center's normal hours are Monday through Friday, from 8:00am-12:00 noon and Saturdays from 8am-1:45pm.

Best wishes for a safe and happy holiday.

FOR SALE: Two walkers, one with basket, brand new \$50; second one \$30, in good cond., good brakes; (203) 440-4172



BRANDI MANDATO

State Senate Candidate

East Haven, Durham, North Branford,
North Haven, Wallingford

VOTE NOVEMBER 5th

Paid for by the North Haven Democratic Town Committee, Kieran Ahern, Treasurer. Approved by the North Haven Democratic Town Committee.