

John Boyle Decorating Center Grand Opening In North Haven



Pictured (L-R): Matt Iovanne, Business Development Sales, and Support Specialist; Kelly Cruess, Design Specialist; Laurie Nilson, Design Team Manager; Bryan King, President; George Civatelli, North Haven Store Manager; Audrey DeMartin, Virtual Design & Marketing Coordinator and Mike Freda, First Selectman of North Haven.

North Haven: The Quinnipiac Chamber of Commerce was delighted to organize a Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting ceremony for The John Boyle Decorating Center located at 168 Washington Avenue, North Haven, CT on Friday, October 4, 2024.

"Now in its fourth generation of family ownership and management, John Boyle Decorating Centers is Connecticut's oldest and most trusted

independent paint retailer. With thirteen stores located across the state, including the head office in New Britain, the company proudly continues the founder's tradition of innovation.

John Boyle Decorating Centers specializes in residential and commercial design, carrying a wide selection of floor coverings, window treatments, custom draperies and, of course, quality paint, painting accessories and equipment. Although much of its business comes from the trust earned generation after generation, most comes from word-of-mouth recommendations from happy customers."

For more information visit their website at <http://www.johnboyledecorating.com>

**LEGAL NOTICE/WARNING **

TOWN OF NORTH HAVEN NOVEMBER 5, 2024 STATE ELECTION

The Electors of the Town of North Haven are hereby warned to meet at their respective polling places in said town on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, for the following purposes:

1. To cast their votes for Presidential and Vice-Presidential electors, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, State Representative, and Registrar of Voters; and

2. To cast their votes on the following question for the approval or disapproval of a proposed Amendment to the Constitution of Connecticut, a vote of "Yes" being a vote for approval, and a vote of "No" being a vote for disapproval: 1. Shall the Constitution of the State Be Amended to Permit the General Assembly to Allow Each Voter to Vote by Absentee Ballot? The full text of such proposed question with explanatory text, printed in accordance with C.G. S. § 2-30a, is available at the Town Clerk's Office for public distribution. The vote on the proposed question is taken pursuant to the Constitution of Connecticut.

Notice is hereby given that the polls will be opened at six o'clock in the morning (6:00 a.m.) and will remain open until eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 p.m.). The locations of the polling places by Voting Districts are: District 1 - Mildred Wakely Recreation Center, 7 Linsley Street; District 2 - Montowese School, 145 Fitch Street; District 3 - Ridge Road School, 1341 Ridge Road; District 4 - Green Acres School, 146 Upper State Street; and District 5 - Clintonville School, 456 Clintonville Road.

Applications for Absentee Ballots are available in the Town Clerk's Office, located at Memorial Town Hall, 18 Church Street, North Haven, CT. A facsimile of an absentee ballot and instructions for completing the same are available in the Town Clerk's Office and in the office of the Registrar of Voters for public examination.

Pursuant to C.G.S. § 9-147a, Absentee Ballots will be counted at the following central location: Memorial Town Hall, North Haven, CT. Vote tabulators will be used. There is a Drop Box in front of Town Hall for depositing your completed absentee ballots, open until 8 p.m. Election Day, for your convenience and to avoid delays associated with the U.S. Mail.

During the 14-day early voting period before said election, the hours of early voting are as follows: October 21-28 & 30, 2024: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.; October 29 & 31, 2024: 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.; and November 1-3, 2024: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. All early voting to occur at Memorial Town Hall, 18 Church Street, North Haven CT. Each of these early voting days will also have Same-Day Registration (SDR) availability. On Election Day, November 5, 2024, the hours and location of SDR will be: 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., Memorial Town Hall, 18 Church Street, North Haven CT

Dated at North Haven, CT Connecticut, this 7th day of October 2024

**J. Stacey Yarbrough
Town Clerk, North Haven, CT**

VOTE411 is a One Stop Shop for Voting Information!

Hamden: The election season is here! To assist voters with the resources they need to make an informed vote this fall, the League of Women Voters of Hamden-North Haven offers the annual Voters' Guide on VOTE411.org as a resource for all voters.

This nonpartisan election resource VOTE411.org, is a "one-stop shop" for election information providing voters with simple, accessible tools to help them navigate the voting process. VOTE411 provides candidate Voters' Guides, voter registration details, polling place locations, and other helpful election information for all voters nationwide.

We have invited candidates to participate in the Voters' Guide where they are given the opportunity to present themselves to the voter in their own words. We ask each candidate to share their views about issues important to voters by completing our online questionnaire. Candidates respond to questions by entering their views directly into Vote411; their responses are not edited by LWVHNN.

When there is more than one candidate per office, voters are afforded the unique ability to compare candidates side by side before casting their vote. In an uncontested election, voters learn much more about the per-

son running for a specific office. The VOTE411.org Voters' Guide is simple to use. Just enter your Connecticut address and then click on a candidate's profile to find their answers to the Voters' Guide questions. Vote411 is a free service for voters and candidates. If you find a candidate has not yet responded, please urge them to do so!

With resources available in both English and Spanish, VOTE411.org helps millions each year learn more about where candidates stand on the issues, what's on their ballot, how to find their polling place, and more.

In addition to VOTE411.org, voter information is also available on your town's website.

Registrar of Voters - Town of Hamden <https://www.hamden.com/246/Registrar-of-Voters>

Registrar of Voters - Town of North Haven [https://www.town.north-haven.ct.us/government/town_departments/departments_\(m_-_r\)/registrars_of_voters/index.php](https://www.town.north-haven.ct.us/government/town_departments/departments_(m_-_r)/registrars_of_voters/index.php)

The League of Women Voters is a nonpartisan political organization that encourages informed and active participation in government, works to increase understanding of major public policy issues, and influences public policy through education and advocacy.

WANTED: WWII Vets, immediate cash for all German helmets, hats, daggers, flags, medals, uniforms, patches. Collector will beat all dealer offers; (203) 932-0750

FOR SALE: Snow plow Western HTS, 7½ ft. plow with hand controller, garaged, excellent condition, mint \$5,000; call(203) 484-4103

FOR SALE: Samsonite suitcase, expandable, Ultra 3000 XLT 550 series, approx. 29"x21"x12", black, clean \$35; (203) 239-2059 • **FOR SALE: Two Sutton wall recliners, gray, brand new, pick up. Both \$650, one \$350. Purchased at Boscov's. (203) 269-1120** • **FOR SALE: Light wood table w/tile top, 6 chairs included \$100; (203) 710-7260**

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We Have to Do Better

To The Editor:

October 9, 2024

We have to do better. The most powerful campaign slogans write themselves, and it was this moment, at the conclusion of the State Senate District 34th debate, that Democratic candidate Brandi Mandato's rallying cry echoed through the hearts of constituents. It's no secret that our communities stand at a precipice, deciding once and for all whether democracy, whether humanity, will remain within our core values. As we approach that crossroad, I encourage every resident of the 34th District to choose the path of betterment, community, and progress—by casting your vote for Democrat Brandi Mandato this November.

As candidate Mandato rightfully pointed out during the debate, policy is a lived experience. In this election cycle, that message resonated with women and marginalized demographics more than ever. The truth is—we feel the impact of legislation on every level, especially as women's rights shrink month by month, all while some intersectional identities face complete erasure. As we flounder beneath the pressure of shrinking autonomy and scarcer freedoms, I find solace in leaders like Brandi Mandato. A woman, a mother, and a champion for the disenfranchised, candidate Mandato understands the immense responsibility of a State Senator. Unlike our current representative, a Republican wielding the powers of privilege for his own betterment, Brandi Mandato seeks only to serve the people, as evidenced by her extensive credentials.

After all, that's why she co-founded North Haven Pride, serving as its co-chair since the organization's establishment. It's why she understands the difference between tolerance and acceptance, and the importance of bipartisan leadership that culminates in a diverse perspective. And it's why, this November, you should cast your vote for Democratic candidate Brandi Mandato for the 34th Senate District.

Mary Sparago, North Haven

Time to Embrace Real Change

To The Editor:

October 11, 2024

With less than a month until the election, I am writing to express my enthusiastic support for Brandi Mandato's candidacy for State Senator for Wallingford, North Haven, and East Haven. I believe Brandi is exactly what North Haven needs to move forward, and here's why.

Brandi will bring fresh ideas and a new perspective to Hartford. Although new to politics, she has over 20 years of private-sector experience working across various levels of government to create evidence-based solutions. Her endorsements from unions, environmental groups, and healthcare organizations show that Brandi is resonating with a broad coalition of people who recognize the need for new leadership.

As a mother and a nurse, I personally connect with Brandi's values. She's a fierce advocate for reproductive rights, and organizations like Planned Parenthood and Reproductive Equity Now have endorsed her because of her commitment to women's healthcare. Brandi also understands the importance of education—she knows our schools deserve more funding, and she'll fight to ensure our kids have the resources they need to succeed.

Moreover, Brandi's work as a co-founder of Pride North Haven demonstrates her commitment to creating safe, inclusive spaces for all. I trust she'll be a tireless advocate for ensuring our children feel emotionally and physically safe in their schools.

Brandi Mandato has the passion and dedication we need in District 34. It's time to move past outdated policies and embrace real change. I urge my fellow residents to vote for Brandi Mandato on Nov. 5th.

Sincerely,

Holly Gifford, North Haven



SECOND-SATURDAY EVENT TO RETURN NOVEMBER 9TH

The North Haven Lions will return to our Second-Saturday on November 9th at the North Haven Congregational Church, across from the Town Green.

We are asking for food and frozen turkeys we will be collecting for Thanksgiving. Thank you for your generosity.

Proud to Know Dave Yaccarino

To The Editor:

October 9, 2024

Twenty-seven years ago, I walked into DJ's Card and Comic book store and I met a man whom I immediately connected with, and whom I started a lifelong friendship with, Mr. Dave Yaccarino.

Back then, I saw so many of Dave's wonderful qualities as he was serving his customers. The qualities of kindness, fairness, listening to his customers, honesty, integrity, outstanding people skills, hard work and dedication to his customers.

Little did I realize that years later, we would be working together to serve the citizens of North Haven and Dave would demonstrate those exact same qualities to our residents as our State Representative.

I am very proud of Dave Yaccarino and I admire him greatly. Dave is a remarkable man with the highest level of honesty, integrity, commitment and compassion for everyone.

He always works across the party lines to help create positive outcomes for North Haven and he is highly respected in Hartford. I hear that regularly when I am in Hartford.

Dave takes his role as our State Representative very seriously and one example of his commitment is his 100% voting record for 14 straight years.

Dave and I speak everyday and we work very closely together to serve our residents. Dave Yaccarino will always have my support to be our State Representative!

I am very proud to know Dave, to be a close friend of Dave and to endorse Dave.

I am also very grateful for Dave's love of our community and for his dedication to our residents.

Sincerely,

Michael Freda, North Haven First Selectman

Brandi is the Real Deal!

To The Editor:

October 9, 2024

I'm writing today in support of Brandi Mandato who is running for State Senate in District 34. Let me tell you why I think Brandi is the right person for this job.

I've had the pleasure of getting to know Brandi through the North Haven DTC. Every so often in life you meet someone and immediately think to yourself, "Wow, this person is THE REAL DEAL!" Brandi is just that! She is a kind and compassionate soul who you can tell is authentic from her first word.

As a veteran teacher and current BOE member, I live and breathe education. I've worked in underfunded schools and have seen first hand how inequality impacts learning for our children. When my district faced severe budget cuts yet again, Brandi came to support our students and teachers. She knows that many districts, including those in District 34, will continue to face painstakingly difficult budget decisions unless something changes in Hartford. I know Brandi will fight for our children and their education.

Brandi cares. About you. About me. About ALL of us. She has spent her life advocating for those that need a voice. She believes deeply in equity for all people, whether it's healthcare, education, housing, or jobs. I have no doubt that Brandi understands the needs of families like mine. We need Brandi in Hartford to advocate for us. Please join me in voting for Brandi Mandato on November 5th!

Thank you,

Michele Guglielmo
Board of Education Member, North Haven