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The Word on the Street

Yuletide at the Indian King Tavern Museum on **Fri Dec 6, 13,** and **20** will feature period musick, limberjacks, and old-fashioned marionettes.

Tell us about a favorite childhood memory of the holidays.





The older brother of ***NATOSHA GAINES*** *of Deptford would wake her at 3am and together they would run to their parents' room and jump on the bed. "They'd send us away, saying 'Come back at 6.'" And? "So we'd go right back at 6:01 on the dot!"*

CHUCK FINNIE *of Haddonfield says he remembers "the anticipation and general excitement" on Christmas Eve. "I couldn't wait to get up on Christmas morning to open my presents."*



"Living on a farm in rural Texas, we didn't have much," says ***TISH COLOMBI*** *of Haddonfield. "But my father always made sure I got a new doll from Santa on Christmas morning. So special."*

SHERI SIEGEL *of Haddonfield says her parents would place enough gifts on the mantel for the whole of Hanukkah. "It was so hard, deciding which one to open first. And next. And then next."*





"I used to love going to my great-grandmother's," says ***CONNIE BALIS*** *of Mullica Hill. "She was Ukranian and didn't speak a word of English. But she was so loving and we always had the best time. That's my favorite memory of Christmas, as a child."*



In Turkey, we would fast for the 30 days of Ramadan," says ***OZZY KACMAZ*** *of Bellmawr, "then visit relatives who would give us a choice of money or candy." Ozzy says he ate so much candy he ended up in the hospital. "To this day, I haven't eaten any more sugary sweets."*

Theater meets

› Are you interested in getting involved with Haddonfield Plays & Players? Then check out their next General Membership meeting, **Wed Dec 11** at 7:30pm. The theater is at 957 E Atlantic Ave.

Want to be on stage? Sign up for the auditions email list at *haddonfieldplayers.com*.

Seeking the Citizen of the Year

› The Lions Club is inviting nominations for the Haddonfield resident who will be the 2025 Citizen of the Year.

For more than 50 years, the Lions (and the Jaycees before them) have honored government officials, educators, administrators, artists, teachers, medical professionals, businesspeople, and hard-working volunteers.

If you know someone who has contributed to the town in a significant way, e-mail your nomination to Jack Tarditi at *jtarditi@connerstrong.com* by **Sat Jan 4**. A nomination form is available at *haddonfieldlions.org/coty*.

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Police Chief Jason Cutler and his fellow officers are encouraging residents to take new, unwrapped toys to the Police Station – rear of the Borough Hall – through **Thu Dec 19.**

Drop-off hours are 8am to 4pm on weekdays.

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All are welcome.

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Choral concert

› The NJ MasterChorale is a regional symphonic choir comprised of 70 singers with various backgrounds from the greater South Jersey and Philadelphia areas.

Part of the music ministry at the United Methodist Church in Haddonfield, it has performed major choral works with orchestral accompaniment of the highest quality for 50 years.

The group will present its annual Christmas Concert – *Illuminare* – on **Sun Dec 8,** in the Sanctuary, beginning at 7pm, accompanied by organist Matt Smith, members of the Philadelphia Orchestra and Friends, and soloists from Westminster Choir College.

A free, abbreviated program for families with young children will be held at 3pm on **Sun Dec 8.** (Tickets are not required.)

Admission to the 7pm concert is free, Tickets are available at *haddonfieldumc.org/nj-masterchorale* – or scan the QR code.

The concert will be livestreamed at *haddonfieldumc.org.*

Time to run!

› Grab your sneakers and perhaps a holiday costume and register for the Snowflake 5K Run/Walk on **Sat Dec 7.** Check-in at Crows Woods from 7 to 8:30am. Race start at 9am – rain or shine (or snowflakes!).

This sixth annual event is sponsored by the Evening Membership Department of The Haddon Fortnightly. Proceeds will benefit the Society for the Prevention of Teen Suicide and Jackson's Wish (a nonprofit that believes that awareness about mental health and suicide prevention for teens starts with a conversation).

There will be a free yoga class for the first 80 to request it. A costume contest will be judged at 8:30am. Pre-race stretching, guided by Mosiac Health, also will begin at 8:30.

Registration: $35 prior to race day; $40 on the day. Go here – bit.ly/47lAdsF – or scan the QR code ■.

Register for **SNOWFLAKE RUN**



Explore Evans Pond!

› In partnership with the Cherry Hill Environmental Board, the Environmental Commission and the Water Trail Association are sponsoring a Guided Trail Hike around Evans Pond on **Sun Dec 8**.

Two hikes will be offered: An easy, 20-minute hike on the Croft Farm Trail side of Evans Pond; and a moderate, 60-minute walk that includes both Cherry Hill's Croft Farm trails and the Haddonfield side of Evans Pond, which is Camden County parkland.

Hikes will take place simultaneously at 12n and 2pm. Meet in the Croft Farm Arts Center (100 Bortons Mill Road). To register, go here – bit.ly/491jrR3 – or scan the QR code ■.

Register for **EVANS POND HIKE**

It's a mystery

› The Public Library's Mystery Book Club meets monthly at King's Road Brewing Co. Next: **Wed Dec 18** at 7pm.

On the agenda: A discussion of favorite reads of 2024, and planning for the 2025 list of books.

For more information, email Eric Zino: *ezino@haddonfieldlibrary.org.*

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So begins "A History of the Haddonfield Lions Club," published in *The Town Crier & Herald* on April 2, 1964, to mark the club's 20th anniversary. One of the preparations the town put in place? The formation of a Lions Club.

The Haddonfield Lions Club held its first regular meeting at the Haddon House Hotel (Kings Highway East and Potter Street) on February 10, 1944. When the charter was closed on March 30, 1944, 24 members had signed. Charter Night was held at The Haddon Fortnightly's clubhouse on April 13, 1944 – a lavish affair that, according to *The Haddon Gazette*, included "a delicious banquet" and "a delightful program" of musical entertainment.

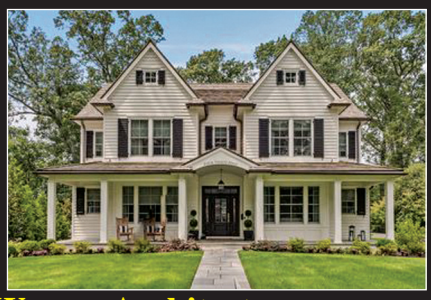
Currently 76 members strong, the Haddonfield Lions Club celebrated its 80th anniversary at the Tavistock Country Club on Thursday, December 5, 2024. With pride, we reflected on eight decades of dedication to the Lions motto: **We Serve.**

Over the years and in numerous ways, we have:

- Embraced the Lions International signature cause, inspired by Helen Keller in 1925: advocacy for those who are blind or visually impaired.
- Initiated, sponsored, and supported hundreds of community service projects in Haddonfield and South Jersey. Our first, in 1944, involved the collection of musical instruments that were sent to American prisoners of war in Germany. One of our most recent was facilitating the attendance of blind and visually impaired participants at social dance classes in Haddonfield.
- Actively supported the youth of our community, including sponsorship of the Leo Club at Memorial High School and, since 2017, the William G. Hansen Youth of the Year Award.
- Sponsored the annual Mayor's Breakfast and the Haddonfield Citizen of the Year Award for more than 30 years.

We meet for dinner at the Tavistock County Club on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month.
We welcome inquiries about membership from all who share our desire for fellowship, our commitment to service, and our belief that "where there's a need, there's a Lion."

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Dec 15: East Coast Swing.
Dec 22: Rueda de Casino
Dec 22: Rumba.

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DanceHaddonfield.org.

Author talk,

› The Public Library is a member of a collaborative that arranges for prominent authors to discuss their work live, online ... and free for viewers.

Coming up:

• **Wed Dec 11** at 2pm: A captivating conversation with NY Times bestselling author of *The Last Thing He Told Me*. Laura Dave will chat about her newest book, *The Night We Lost Him*. The novel focuses on estranged siblings who discover their father has been keeping a secret for over fifty years, one that may have been fatal.

To register go here – bit.ly/3U3SlAJ – or scan the QR code ■.

For recordings of previous author talks, go here – bit.ly/3T4u6B9 – or scan ■.

Register for **FUTURE AUTHOR TALKS**

Scan for **PAST AUTHOR TALKS**

Cover Story

Holiday trash

› Christmas trash and recycling collection has been scheduled as follows:

- **Wed Dec 25** (Christmas Day) – No collection.
- **Thu Dec 26 –** Wednesday's and Thursday's trash and recycling collection.

Trash: 800-633-9096
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Yuletide at the Tavern

› Put the "historic" in your Holiday!

On **Fri Dec 6, 13,** and **20,** the Indian King Tavern Museum will host a new holiday event: "Yuletide at the Museum."

Between 6 and 8pm, visitors will learn how residents of the area observed the holidays during the American Revolution. There will be refreshments and a make-and-take craft – historical holiday ornaments – and maybe even some reenactors engaging in caroling.

On **Fri Dec 13,** Robert Mouland will play period musick and entertain with limberjacks and old-fashioned marionettes.

Located at 233 Kings Hwy E, the Indian King Tavern Museum is normally open Wed to Sat 10am to 12n and 1 to 4pm; Sun 1 to 4pm.

Admission to "Yuletide at the Museum" is free, as is admission to the Museum during regular hours.

Mark your calendar for the annual Skirmish on Kings Hwy: **Sat Jun 7!**

IndianKingFriends.org



ChildrenSong's holiday concert

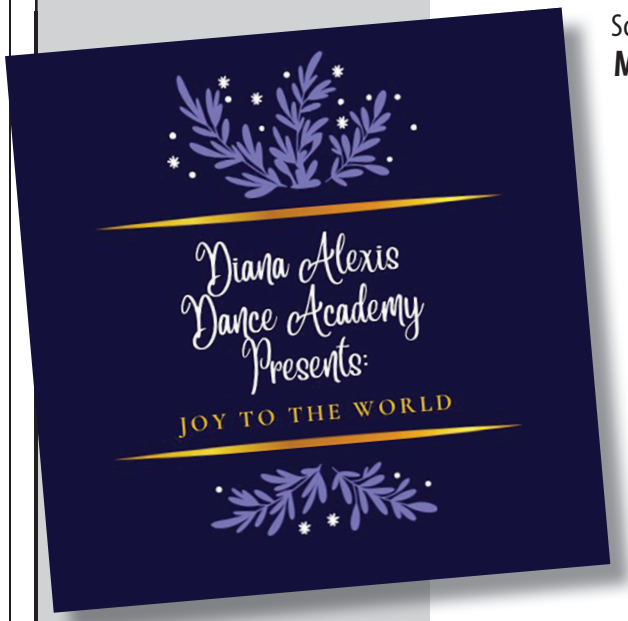
› Mark your calendar and prepare to celebrate the holiday season with a diverse selection of songs that capture the spirit of wonder, joy, and delight: **Sun Dec 15** at 3:30pm at the Lutheran Church.

To celebrate its 25th anniversary, ChildrenSong of NJ will premiere *Gotta Whisper, Gotta Shout,* by acclaimed composer Victor C. Johnson, commissioned specifically for ChildrenSong as a treble voice ensemble. A fun and energetic original Christmas spiritual, *Gotta Whisper, Gotta Shout* explores dynamic contrasts, skillfully capturing the joy of the holiday season through both whispering and shouting the good news of Christmas.

The concert also will offer a rich selection of beloved holiday songs, including *The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy, The First Noel,* and *Carol of the Bells,* as well as songs for Hanukkah and Diwali.

Admission: $20. Seniors/students: $15. Children 14 and under: $Free.

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JOIN US and **VOTE YES** now by mail, or at your regular polling place on **Tuesday, December 10** – 6am to 8pm. Thank you!

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Seniors' holiday party

› The annual Holiday Party for seniors will have a new location this year: Grace Church.

The date is **Fri Dec 13.** The time is 12n to 2pm.

Another change: To bring the event in line with both the St. Patrick's Day and Thanksgiving luncheons, there will be a charge this year of $3 for residents; $5 for non-residents.

Registration in advance is required: 856-354-8789 or email Sheri Siegel *ssiegel@haddonfield-nj.gov.*

On a related topic (kinda), the Mabel Kay Senior Center will be closed on **Tue Dec 10,** since will serve as a polling place for the Board of Education's bond referendum.

Bells at Baptist

› Mark your calendar for the annual performance of the Philadelphia Handbell Ensemble at the First Baptist Church (124 Kings Hwy E): **Sun Dec 15** at 4pm.

All are welcome to attend the concert, titled "Home for the Holidays."

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Sound of the season: Hark!

› The New Jersey Gay Men's Chorus will present three concerts (titled "Hark!") during the Holiday season. The first will be at the United Methodist Church on **Fri Dec 13** at 8pm.

Under the direction of Sarah A. Michel, the program will include *It's The Holiday Season, Santa Will Find You!, All That Holiday Stuff, Wintry Walk With Us, Jingle Bells Rondo,, 30-Second Merry Christmas, We Are Lights, Chanukah Song, Cold Moon,* and *Winter Lullaby.*

Tickets are $25 ($20 for seniors and students) and may be purchased here – bit.ly/4fPR2zW – or scan the QR code ■.

Tix for **HARK!**



Caroling in the Court

› The Haddonfield Council of Churches invites "one and all" to gather at the gazebo in Kings Court on **Fri Dec 6** from 6:30 to 7:30pm for Community Caroling.

Join members of choirs from various Haddonfield churches as they celebrate the season during Downtown Haddonfield's Candlelight Shopping activity.

Afterwards? Head to Grace Church (19 Kings Hwy E) for Cocoa & Cookies in the Parish Hall, provided by the church's Parish Life Committee.

It's free. It's fun. It's for everyone!

Book sale

› The Friends of the Library will conduct a book sale in the Library on **Fri Dec 13** from 3 to 5pm and **Sat Dec 14** from 10am to 1pm.

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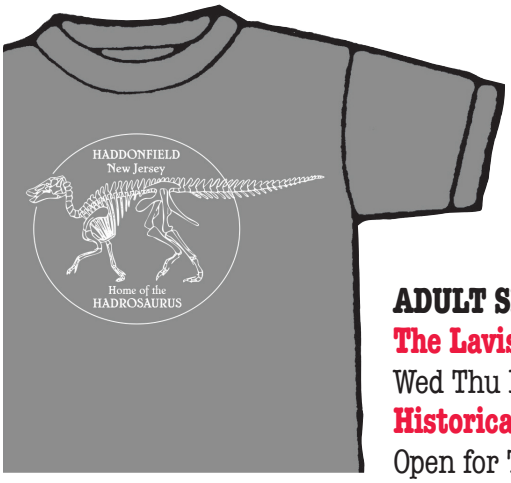
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Huston films at the Library

› The last two of 14 movies by John Huston will be screened and discussed at the Public Library at 5:30pm on **Tue Dec 10** and **Tue Dec 17.**

First up, *Prizzi's Honor* (1985), starring Jack Nicholson. Then, *The Dead* (1987), starring Anjelica Huston.

A short lecture by Ralph Secinaro will be followed by a screening and audience discussion.

Participation is free, but registration is requested.

To register for *Prizzi's Honor*, go here – bit.ly/3ZBWdhy – or scan the QR code ■.

For *The Dead*, go here – bit.ly/3OBHBbw – or scan the QR code ■.

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› ... into trees? If so, maybe you'd like to become a "Branch Manager" and help the Shade Tree Commission care for the thousands of trees in Haddonfield's public places.

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Looking Ahead (alphabetically)

Sat Jan 4	Citizen of the Year nomination deadline
Sun Mar 9	Daylight Saving Time begins
Thu Jan 2	Hanukkah ends
Wed Jun 18	Last day for Public Schools. High School graduation.
Mon Jan 20	Martin Luther King Jr Birthday. Public Schools closed.
Sat Feb 8	Mayor's Breakfast and Citizen of the Year Award (at Tavistock)
Mon May 26	Memorial Day
Tue Dec 31	New Year's Eve
Wed Jan 1	New Year's Day
Mon Feb 17	Presidents Day. Public Schools closed. Also for students on Tue 18.
Fri Apr 18	Spring Break for Public Schools (thru Fri Apr 25)
Thu Jan 2	Winter Break for Public Schools ends

Your Events?

› On this calendar, and in the pages of *Haddonfield Today*, we list and publicize coming events sponsored by Haddonfield organizations.

Email details to *news@gumnutgroup.com* by the Tuesday before publication date.



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Evans Pond Trail Hike /EP **12-3**
Winter Tree Ornament /PL **12^{30}-1^{30}**
NJ MasterChorale: *Concert for Children* /MC **3**
Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **3**
NJ MasterChorale /MC **7**

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Pilates /PC **9^{15}-10**
Chair Yoga /MK **10^{15}-11, 11^{15}-12**
Spanish (Beginners) /MK **11^{15}-12^{15}**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
Movie: *Tea with the Dames* /PL **1-3**
Commission Work Session /BH V **6^{30}**
PJ Story & Craft /PL **6^{30}-7**
Creative Writing Group /PL **6^{30}-8**
Bereavement Support /MC **7-8^{30}**
GriefShare /BC **7-9**
American Legion Post 38 / HQ **7^{30}**

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REFERENDUM DAY
***Haddonfield Today* Deadline**

OPEN Polling Places **6-8**
CLOSED (except as Polling Place)
Borough Hall, Mabel Kay
Sculpt & Tone /PC **9^{15}-10**
Open Play /PL **10-11^{30}**
Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Garden Club /GC **11-3**
Storytime /PL **1-1^{30}**
Film Series: *John Huston's Prizzi's Honor* /PL **5^{30}-7^{45}**
PTA Reflections Art Show /PL **6-7^{30}**
Toastmasters /LC **7^{15}**

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Fall Prevention /MI
Pilates /PC **9^{15}-10**
Coffee & Schmooze
Lego Duplo Club /P
Rotary Club /TCC 1
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GlowForge Craft /P
Line Dancing /MK
Library Author Talk
Lego Club /PL **3-4**
Historic Preservatio

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Holiday-Themed Take-Home Craft / PL **12-4**
Branch Managers: *Tree Pruning Course* /TBA **2-3^{30}**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **3**
ChildrenSong Concert: *Spirit of the Season* /LC **3^{30}**
Philadelphia Handbell Ensemble: *Home for the Holidays* /BC **4**
Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**

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CLOSED Public Library
Pilates /PC **9^{15}-10**
Chair Yoga /MK **10^{15}-11, 11^{15}-12**
Spanish (Beginners) /MK **11^{15}-12^{15}**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
Bereavement Support /MC **7-8^{30}**
GriefShare /BC **7-9**
Commission /BH V **7^{30}**

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***Haddonfield Today* Deadline**

Library Trustees /PL **8**
Shade Tree /PL **8**
Sculpt & Tone /PC **9^{15}-10**
Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10^{15}-11**
Bridge Club /MK **12^{30}**
Storytime /PL **1-1^{30}**
Film Series: *John Huston's The Dead* /PL **5^{30}-7^{45}**
Recreation /BH **7**
Zoning /BH **7**
Toastmasters /LC **7^{15}**

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Fall Prevention /MI
Pilates /PC **9^{15}-10**
Coffee & Schmooze
Hanukkah Take-Ho
Rotary Club /TCC 1
Baby Buddies /PL 1
Bingo /MK **1-2^{30}**
Line Dancing /MK
Environmental /BH
Municipal Alliance
Mystery Book Club
Service of Solace /C

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WINTER BREAK
Public Schools thru Thu Jan 2

Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**

23

Open Play /PL **10-11^{30}**
Chair Yoga /MK **10^{15}-11, 11^{15}-12**
Spanish (Beginners) /MK **11^{15}-12^{15}**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
Watercolor Workshop /MAC **6-8**
Bereavement Support /MC **7-8^{30}**
GriefShare /BC **7-9**

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CHRISTMAS EVE

CLOSED from 12n Borough Hall
CLOSED from 1pm Public Library
Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10^{15}-11**
Bridge Club /MK **12^{30}**

A schedule of Christmas Services will be published in **Haddonfield Today** on **Fri Dec 20.**

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BH	Borough Hall	DT	Downtown	HPP	Plays & Players	HQ	Post 38, 129 Veterans Lane	KR	King's Road Brewing Co	MAC	Markeim

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Open Hours

Acme M-S 7-10, Su 7-9
Borough Hall M-F 8[30]-4[30]
CVS M-F 9-9, S 9-7, Su 12-5
Pharmacy M-F 9-9, S 9-5, Su 12-5
Pharmacy is closed 1[30]-2
Greenfield Hall M W F 1-4
Archives Center: Call 856-429-7375
Indian King Tavern Museum
W Th F S 10-12, 1-4, Su 1-4
Post Office M-F 8[30]-4[30], S 9-1
Public Library M T Th 10-8,
W F 10-5, S 10-2, Su 12-4

Friday

06 DEC

Haddonfield Today

Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Holiday Take-Home Craft /PL **10-5**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11, 11[15]-12**
Scrabble /MK **11-1**
Candlelight Shopping /DT **5-9**
Yuletide at the Museum /IKT **6-8**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**
Holiday Gifts Pop-Up and Artists Reception /MAC **3-8**
Community Caroling /KC **6[30]-7[30]**
Live Nativity /BC **7, 7[30]**

Saturday

07

Snowflake Run /CW **9**
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Branch Managers: *Tree Pruning Course* /TBA **2-3[30]** (Also Sun Dec 15 **2-3[30]**)
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**

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Art: *Beginner* /MK **9-12**
Sculpt & Tone /PC **9[15]**
Storytime /PL **10-10[30]**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10[15]-11**
Open Play /PL **10[30]-12**
Holiday House Tour **11-9**
Art: *Advanced* /MK **12-3**
Tai Chi /MK **1-1[45]** • 65 Club /110 **1[30]**
Trivia for Seniors /MK **2-3[30]**
Cookie Decorating /PL **4[15]-5, 5[45]-6[30]**
Board of Education /MHS **7**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**

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Haddonfield Today

Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Mini Macrame Tree Take-Home Craft /PL **10-5**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11, 11[15]-12**
Scrabble /MK **11-1**
Seniors' Holiday Party /GC **12-2**
Book Sale /PL **3-5**
Candlelight Shopping /DT **5-9**
Madrigals' Dessert Theater /GC **7***
Yuletide at the Museum /IKT **6-8**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**
NJ Gay Men's Chorus /MC **8**

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Book Sale /PL **10-1**
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Madrigals' Dessert Theater /GC **2***
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **3**
Madrigals' Dessert Theater /GC **7***
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**

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ENDS Toys for Tots Drive at Police Department
Sculpt & Tone /PC **9[15]**
Macrame Take-Home Craft /PL **10-5**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10[15]-11**
Tai Chi /MK **1-1[45]**
65 Club /110 **1[30]**
Gold Leaf Workshop /PL **4[30]-6**
Santa Visits Neighborhoods **TBD**
Business Networking /KR **7[30]-8[30]**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**

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Haddonfield Today

HALF DAY Public Schools
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Storytime /PL **10-10[30]**
Hanukkah-Themed Take-Home Craft /PL **10-5**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11, 11[15]-12**
Open Play /PL **10[30]-12**
Scrabble /MK **11-1**
Candlelight Shopping /DT **5-9**
Yuletide at the Museum /IKT **6-8**
Santa Visits Neighborhoods **TBD**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**

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Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **3**
Santa Visits Neighborhoods **TBD**
Longest Night Service /BC **7**
Longest Night Service /MC **7**
The Mystery of Edwin Drood /HPP **8**

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ursday: Trash
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POSTPONED to today: Wednesday's trash and recycling collection
Fitness with Mel /MK **10[15]-11**
Tai Chi /MK **1-1[45]**
65 Club /110 **1[30]**

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Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Scrabble /MK **11-1**
Family Clay Day /MAC **10-2**

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ENDS ArtWalk Exhibit /M
Noon Year's Eve in a Bag /PL **10-2**
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Menorah Lighting /PL **7[30]**

Church
c Street
Arts Center

MC Methodist Church
MHS Memorial High School
MK Mabel Kay Senior Center
PC Presbyterian Church
PL Public Library
TCC Tavistock Country Club
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ADDITIONS? ERRORS? OMISSIONS?
Please email news@gumnutgroup.com

Coming up

› Details relating to the following will be in future issues of *Haddonfield Today:*

- A schedule of Christmas church services will be published on **Fri Dec 20.**
- Senior Parking Permits for residents age 60 and up. From **Wed Jan 1.**
- Pilates and Sculpt & Tone classes at the First Presbyterian Church, Mon thru Thu mornings from **Mon Jan 6.**
- NJ Chamber Orchestra at the United Methodist Church on **Sun Jan 12.**
- Winterfest Downtown. **Fri Jan 17** thru **Sun Jan 19.**
- Pet Licenses. Payment is due by **Fri Jan 31.**
- Glenn Crytzer and his quartet will return to the United Methodist Church on **Sun Feb 9,** sponsored by the Tri-State Jazz Society.
- Symphony in C will present its second Virtuosi Series concert at the United Methodist Church on **Sun Feb 16:** Rachmaninov and Tchaikovsky.

But wait ... There's more!



SYMPHONY IN C



- **Chevalier de Saint-Georges:** Symphony No. 2, Op. 11, D major
- **Mozart:** Piano Concerto No. 9
- **Toldra:** Vistes al Mar, I. Allegro con brio
- **Mozart:** Symphony No. 29, K.201



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Symphony in C is a member of ArtPride and the South Jersey Cultural Alliance (SJCA).

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Holiday House Tour returns

› Mark your calendar for **Thu Dec 12** and a self-guided tour of six gorgeous Haddonfield homes, all decked out in their holiday best.

- A fabulous tiny home featuring artwork by the owner and other local artists. A small deck overlooks beautiful tall pines.
- A three-story American Four Square with a decorated front porch. Twenty years of photos of the family's children with Santa and a Nativity scene that was a wedding gift are in the piano room.
- A stately classic brick center-hall home built in 1928 and renovated in 2016 and 2023. The formal dining room will be set for the family's traditional Feast of the Seven Fishes.
- Step back in time to 1894 and this classic Federal-style home, decorated throughout with poinsettias. A hand-painted scene adorns the stairway.
- Built in the 1880s, the original structure had only two rooms on each floor. A side porch and two-story addition were added and, in the 1980s, a breakfast room.
- Start the tour of this center-hall Colonial, built in 1957, in the grand kitchen. The stately grandfather clock in the corner of the living room has been in the family for more than 200 years.

Tickets – $25 in advance; $30 on the day – may be purchased at *ifchaddons.org*, at Interfaith Caregivers (20 Chestnut Street), or at the Public Library.

On the Ballot

› The referendum on **Tue Dec 10,** sponsored by the Board of Education, asks registered voters of Haddonfield: "Do you approve this Bond Proposal Question?"

The proposal calls for the issuance of bonds in an amount not to exceed $46,692,085 to fund various improvements, alterations, renovations, and upgrades to all three elementary schools, the middle school, and the high school; and the relocation and renovation of two historic buildings to accommodate the construction of a gymnasium and parking lot adjacent to the high school.

For specifics about what the funds will be used for, go to the Board of Education's special referendum website: *hsdvote24.com/home.*

Sample Ballot

› A sample ballot with the full text of the proposal question was mailed early in December to all Haddonfield registered voters.

Two Ways to Vote

› Registered voters may vote by mail or in person on Referendum Day (**Tue Dec 10**).

1. Vote by Mail

› Haddonfield residents who had a Vote by Mail request on file were mailed their ballots in November.

Those who applied subsequently were mailed their ballots after their applications were approved.

To complete your Vote by Mail ballot, follow these four steps:

1. Vote
2. Sign
3. Seal
4. Return

You have two options for returning your Vote by Mail ballot:

OPTION 1: MAIL BALLOT

You may mail your ballot in the envelope provided. It must be postmarked on or before **Tue Dec 10**. If mailing on **Mon Dec 9** or **Tue Dec 10**, it is recommended that you take your ballot *inside* the Post Office and ask the clerk to hand-cancel the envelope.

OPTION 2: PLACE IN DROP BOX

You may place your ballot in the secure drop box in front of the Haddonfield Borough Hall at any time up until 8pm on **Tue Dec 10**.

NOTE: If you take your ballot to your polling place on **Tue Dec 10**, poll workers will not accept it. They will tell you to take it to a Post Office or the drop box.

2. Vote on Dec 10

› Go to the polling place for your District between 6am and 8pm on **Tue Dec 10.**

District	Location
• 1, 5	Methodist Church
• 2, 4	Mabel Kay Senior Center
• 3	Crows Woods Building
• 6, 7	Elizabeth Haddon School
• 8, 9	Lutheran Church
• 10	Haddonfield Borough Hall

To look up your District number and polling place online, go here: bit.ly/3bn4gnJ ■.

Connect with **REFERENDUM WEBSITE**

WHERE'S MY POLLING PLACE?

- **Stanley G. Maslowski, 93**
  November 19, 2024
- **David G. Eynon, 95**
  November 16, 2024
- **Mary Frances Nicoletti, 66**
  November 6, 2024
- **Margaretta Joan Dunphey, 89**
  October 28, 2024
- **Curtis Hartel Clement Jr, 83**
  October 26, 2024
- **Robert E. Hunter Jr, 81**
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- **James H. Hetherington, 85**
  October 17, 2024

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Library hours

The Public Library will be debuting a new look to its online catalog in 2025.

In order for staff to receive training in the new software system, the Library will be closed on **Mon Dec 16.**

To help ensure that the new system functions efficiently, the Library asks all patrons to stop by the Circulation Desk to confirm their preferred contact phone number.

The Library will close at 1pm on **Tue Dec 24** and be closed on **Wed Dec 25,** Christmas Day.

It will also close at 1pm on **Tue Dec 31** and be closed on **Wed Jan 1,** New Year's Day.

Regular hours are: Mon, Tue, Thu 10 to 8; Wed, Fri 10 to 5; Sat 10 to 2; Sun 12 to 4.

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On stage: Edwin Drood

› When Charles Dickens died suddenly from a stroke in 1870, he left an unfinished novel: *The Mystery of Edwin Drood.* What he did not leave were any notes about how he intended to finish the story.

Almost immediately, various authors and playwrights, including Dickens' son, wrote endings.

In more recent times, the novel came to the attention of an English-American composer-dramatist, Rupert Holmes.

At age three, Holmes was taken to the theater for the first time. The show was a modern "panto" with a cross-dressing lead boy and audience sing-a-longs.

By age eleven, Holmes was fascinated by mystery books and discovered the unfinished Dickens novel. He drew on these experiences when impresario Joseph Papp, the head of the New York Shakespeare Festival, approached him to write a new musical.

Plays & Players will open its version of Rupert Holmes' musical on **Fri Dec 6.** Using the world of music hall and pantomime as a backdrop, the cast will follow the exploits of members of the Theatre Royale Music Hall Company as they attempt to complete the unfinished story of Edwin Drood ... with some sing-along help from the audience.

The show will run thru **Sat Dec 21.**

Purchase tickets here – bit.ly/3UldYi8 – or scan the QR code ■.

The 2025 season? Go here – bit.ly/4g5heGR ■.

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It's time to dine. And shop. And enjoy!

› The 2024 Holiday Shopping season in Haddonfield is well under way. The business district has been transformed into a sparkling wonderland with one Candlelight Shopping night down and three to go: **Fri Dec 6, 13,** and **20.**

Many merchants will have extended hours during Candlelight Shopping, to 8pm or later. Some will have special promotions and in-store hospitality.

Carolers and musicians will fill the night air with classic holiday music every Friday night during Candlelight Shopping, with performances by the Greater Philadelphia Choral Society and the Hampton Brass Quartet.

Mrs. Claus will visit Downtown Haddonfield merchants on **Fri Dec 13** and **Fri Dec 20.** She's a selfie expert!

Note that parking will be free thru New Year's Eve.

Don't miss "Yuletide at the Museum," a Colonial-era holiday event at the Indian King Tavern Museum: **Fri Dec 6, 13,** and **20.** See page 12.

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Around the Town

Haddonfield may be exposed to builder's remedy lawsuits

By Matt Skoufalos / November 27, 2024

> **" ...it is nearly impossible to find a New Jersey municipality that prevailed in a builder's remedy lawsuit."**

▲ *From the website of the Township of Randolph NJ.*

READ MORE ABOUT IT! For the rest of the story on your smartphone, scan:

➤ NJPen subscribers can read the rest of the story here – bit.ly/3ZiljQ4 – or scan the QR ■.

At their November 12 work session, Haddonfield commissioners could not come to consensus on adopting amendments to allow multifamily housing on the Bancroft site, nor on approving the redevelopment agreement and property sale to Woodmont.

In that session, Mayor Colleen Bianco Bezich couldn't find accord on the proposal with Commissioner Frank Troy. [Commissioner-elect Dave Siedell had not yet taken his oath of office.]

Failing to advance the resolution scotched the deal that Haddonfield had brokered with Fair Share Housing and the courts, despite the public admonitions of Fair Share attorneys who attended the work session.

What happens next is almost a certainty: namely, that Haddonfield could be found in breach of its compliance with affordable housing agreements, and thereby subject to the risks of a builder's remedy lawsuit.

A builder's remedy lawsuit would allow developers to sue the borough for the right to build high-volume, dense housing "at any property in town," said Haddonfield Solicitor Sal Siciliano.



Support bond referendum

› A grassroots community group has been formed to support the Board of Education's bond referendum, scheduled for **Tue Dec 10.**

Under the banner of CARES – Citizens for Accessibility, Renovation, and Expansion of our Schools – the group is working to ensure that residents have the facts about the scope, benefits, and cost of the Board's proposal, which has been two years in the making.

CARES believes the proposal "represents reasonable and responsible spending for what is necessary and inevitable."

To learn more about this initiative or to join the group, go to *haddonfieldcares.com* or scan the QR code ■.

Got questions? Email *haddonfieldcares@gmail.com*.

Detailed information about the referendum is available at the Board of Education's dedicated website: *haddonfieldschools.org/vote* ■.

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Connect with **REFERENDUM WEBSITE**

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Register for GREETING CARDS

Register for FAMILY CLAY DAY

Citizen of the Year 2025

HADDONFIELD LIONS CLUB

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Haddonfield organizations and individuals are invited to submit nominations for the 2025 Citizen of the Year.

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Art for the holidays

› The Markeim Arts Center is offering four special holiday events for the artistically inclined:

• **Wed Dec 11 –** 3:30 to 4:30pm: Ornaments and Hanukkah Dreidels. For all ages (children under 8 must be accompanied by an adult).

Celebrate the season by creating and painting your very own handmade ornaments or dreidels. Scan the QR ■.

Instructor: Jen Coelho.

• **Wed Dec 18 –** 7 to 8:30pm: .Holiday Pop-Up: Winter Floral Arranging. For adults and teens accompanied by an adult.

Ann Kennedy of Grove Floral Studio will teach you how to create a take-home centerpiece for your holiday dining room. (BYOB and make it a girls' night!) All supplies and tools provided. Scan the QR ■.

• **Mon Dec 23 –** 6 to 8pm: Winter Greeting Cards. For adults and teens accompanied by an adult.

Immerse yourself in the captivating world of watercolor painting while creating two watercolor cards with envelopes. All materials provided. No prior painting experience necessary.

Instructor: Sharon Ann Smith. Scan the QR ■.

• **Fri Dec 27 –** 10am to 2pm: Family Clay Day. All ages. Roll up your sleeves and play with clay. What will *you* create?

Instructor: Jen Coelho. Scan the QR ■.

MarkeimArtsCenter.org

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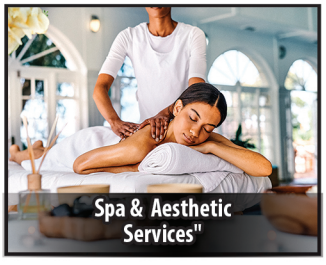


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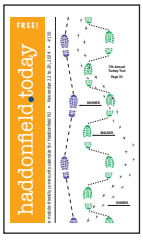
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A mixer for business owners

› Haddonfield merchants and professionals are invited to mix and mingle during the Partnership for Haddonfield's Joy to Networking event on **Thu Dec 12** from 5 to 7:30pm. The location is Cafe Lift (144 Kings Hw E).

Chat, exchange business cards, and sample the culinary offerings of one of Haddonfield's premier brunch, breakfast and catering businesses.

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All are invited to share the story of Christmas as the scene unfolds in the manger, complete with live animals and music provided by the church's handbell choir.

If rain: **Fri Dec 13.**

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What's **included**? What will it **cost**?

- ☑ **Full-day kindergarten**
- ☑ **Accessibility projects for all locations**
- ☑ **Renovated auditoriums**
- ☑ **Additions/renovations to prepare for increased enrollment**
- ☑ **New athletic facilities for students, youth sports, and community use**
- ☑ **New/reconfigured media centers**
- ☑ **Building maintenance & safety projects**

The cost for the owner of a property assessed at the Borough average ($530,509)will be about **$1 per day**. ($369 per year)

Got questions? You'll find answers at

HaddonfieldSchools.org/vote

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