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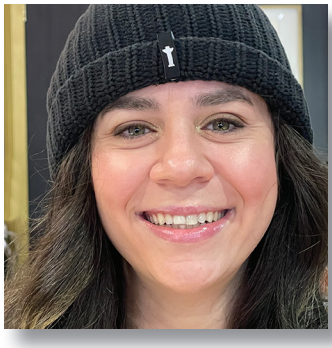
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## The Word on the Street

The Public Library will hold a Puzzle Competition for teens and adults on **Sun Jan 26**.

**Are you a puzzle fiend? If not, what's your favorite board game – as an adult or as a child?**





*Cherry Hill's **GARY KLOSNER** remembers playing Candy Land as a youngster. "But I had the most fun with Monopoly. I enjoyed the strategy associated with acquiring property and the thrill of making my parents and siblings pay rent."*

*As a resident of Philadelphia, **SOPHIA BALTER** enjoys going to game bars such as Queen & Rook, on South Street. "We often play a board game called Isle of the Cats."*



***CATHY DECAMPLI** of Cherry Hill and her family do puzzles after Christmas, but also enjoy board games such as Betrayal at the House on the Hill. "It gets intense, figuring out who the traitor is."*

*Haddonfield's **MICHELE COLMAN** played Pretty, Pretty Princess as a child. "I really loved it when my dad and brother landed on jewelry squares and had to wear earrings and crowns and things."*





*Sicklerville's **DEBBY SAUNDERS-FONT** says her mom loves to do puzzles, but she prefers board games, especially Aggravation. "Players get to send each other back to the home square. Some get really mad, especially if they're close to winning."*



***JOHNNY POPPKE** of Haddonfield has fond memories of doing puzzles as a child. "But I really loved playing The Worst Case Scenario Survival Game." Johnny says it taught him how to maneuver, in search of optimal outcomes.*



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## Seniors' parking permit

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Application forms are available at the Police Department (rear entrance of the Borough Hall (8am to 4pm) and online at *haddonfieldpolice.com,* and here – bit.ly/4fOEpEJ – scan ■.

Payment must be made in cash or by check (payable to Borough of Haddonfield) at the Police Department. The permit must be displayed on the rear window (passenger side) and match the license plate it was registered to.

Download **PARKING PERMIT FORM**

## It's a mystery!

› Coming up for those who dare: The Public Library's Mystery Book Club.

- **Wed Jan 15:** *The Eighth Detective* by Alex Pavesi
- **Wed Feb 19:** *Tinker Tailor Soldier Spy* by John le Carré.

At the Public Library from 7 to 8pm. New members are welcome.

## Honoring MLK

› The Borough will honor the life and legacy of The Rev. Dr Martin Luther King Jr at 12n on **Sat Jan 18** with a forum titled "What Would Martin Say?"

To be held at the Lutheran Church, the event will be sponsored by the Preserving Black Haddonfield History Project, the church's Social Justice Committee, the Human Relations Commission, Public Library, Lawnside Historical Society, and Cherry Hill African American Civic Association.

Register here – bit.ly/4gQnldh – or scan the QR code ■.

On **Mon Jan 20,** the annual MLK March for Peace, hosted by the Human Relations Commission, will begin at 7pm on the steps of the Borough Hall.

A ceremony featuring local faith leaders, musical performances, and readings by Scout groups will follow the march.

All are welcome.

Register for **"WHAT WOULD MARTIN SAY?"**



# Eyles will be Citizen of the Year

› Lifelong resident Maureen Lynn Eyles will be named Haddonfield's Citizen of the Year for 2025 on **Sat Feb 8,** during the annual Mayor's Breakfast, hosted by the Lions Club. The event, at Tavistock Country Club, will begin at 9am.

Eyles is the president of the Haddonfield Educational Trust and was the leader of Haddonfield CARES, a community group that advocated for the Board of Education's 2024 bond referendum.

She served as executive director for First Night Haddonfield (the celebration of the arts on New Year's Eve) from 2011-14 and of the Haddonfield 300th Anniversary Celebration in 2013.

Maureen Eyles was the 2015 recipient of the Civic Association's Driscoll Award for Community Service and was an Alumni Society Lifetime Achievement Award recipient in 2024.

All are welcome. Tickets, at $30, are available at *HaddonfieldLions.org.*

# Winter blooms

› The Haddonfield Garden Club will meet at the Lutheran Church on **Tue Jan 14.**

Social time with refreshments will begin at 12n. The program, at 12:30pm, will be presented by Joe Kiefer, co-owner of Triple Oaks Nursery in Franklinville.

Joe speaks frequently to groups throughout South Jersey on topics ranging from plant propagation for the hobby gardener to honey bees and other pollinators.

At this meeting, he will discuss "Winter Blooming and Winter Interest Plants."

All are welcome, and admission is free. Those attending are asked to bring a canned food item to donate to the church's pantry.

# Register Fido and Fritz by 1/31

› The owners of dogs and cats are required to obtain licenses for them annually, in January.

Puppies must be licensed when they reach seven months of age; kittens when they reach six months. New pets should be registered when they join the household, regardless of the time of year.

The registration deadline is **Fri Jan 31**. Late fees will be applied from **Mon Feb 3**.

The application form can be downloaded here: bit.ly/4gffvPw ■.

Take the completed application form, a copy of your pet's current rabies certificate, and payment (check or cash) to the Borough Hall, Room 101.

| Fees, before Jan 31 | Dogs | Cats |
|---|---|---|
| • Neutered/spayed | $21 | $17 |
| • Non-neutered/spayed | $24 | $24 |
| **Fees, Feb 1 to Apr 30** | **Dogs** | **Cats** |
| • Neutered/spayed | $26 | $22 |
| • Non-neutered/spayed | $29 | $29 |
| **Fees, after Apr 30** | **Dogs** | **Cats** |
| • Neutered/spayed | $31 | $27 |
| • Non-neutered/spayed | $34 | $34 |

Unable to go to the Borough Hall in person? You can mail documents to 242 Kings Hwy E, Haddonfield NJ 08033 – Attention: Bernadette.

Questions? Call 856-429-4700 x 200.

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# Beauty, Beast on stage

› The inaugural production of the Drama Ministry at the United Methodist Church – Disney's Beauty and the Beast Jr – will be presented in the church's Fellowship Hall on **Fri Jan 10** at 7pm and **Sat Jan 11** at 2pm and 7pm.

The story revolves around Belle, an adventurous young girl, and the Beast, her hideous captor (who is actually a young prince trapped under a spell). To break the spell, the Beast must learn to love another and earn her love in return – before time runs out. With the help of the castle's enchanted staff, including a loving teapot, a charming candelabra, and a nervous mantel clock, Belle and the Beast find friendship and love that neither knew was possible.

The cast and crew invite one and all to "Be Our Guest!"

Tickets are available here – bit.ly/3DVw7gO – or scan the QR code ■. The suggested donation is $15 for adults and $5 for children.

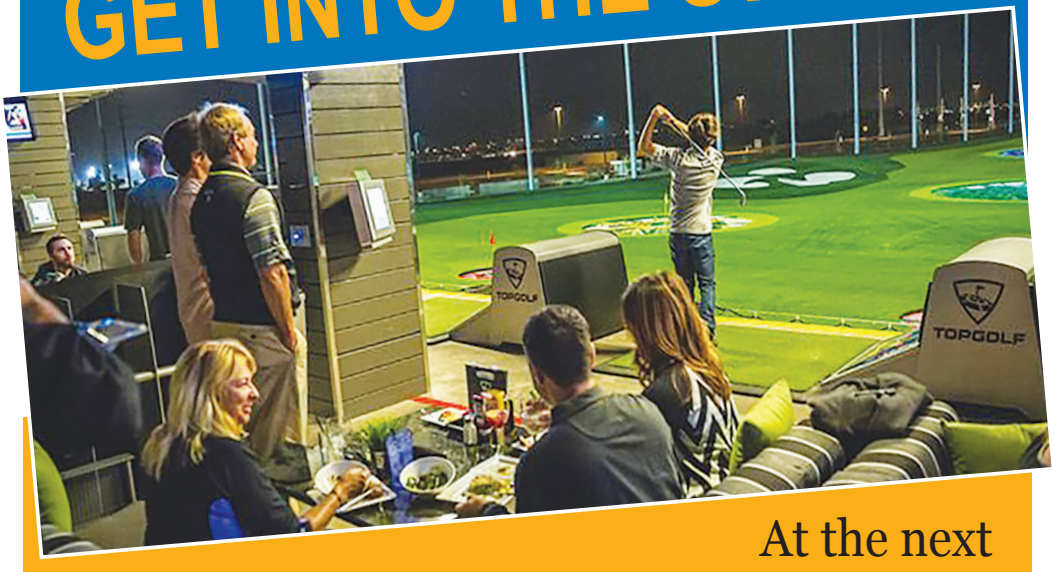
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# Winterfest (and Souper Bowl)

› Indoor sales, live ice carvings, and soup events ... oh my!

Winterfest will return to Downtown Haddonfield on **Fri Jan 17** (thru **Sun Jan 19**) with another slew of winter activities to cure your cabin fever.

Creative ice sculptures will be located throughout the downtown, and local restaurants will serve their best soups. Ice artist Rob LoFurno will be in Kings Court on **Sun Jan 19** from 11am.

Tickets for Souper Bowl Saturday, a soup-tasting event with interactive voting, with proceeds going to Cathedral Kitchen in Camden, are available here – bit.ly/422HKg0 – or scan the QR code ■.

Purchase **SOUPER BOWL TIX**

# Speak español?

› A new-ish program at the Mabel Kay Senior Center has been growing in popularity: Spanish!

Classes – Mondays from 11:15am to 12:15pm – are led by Cathy Campbell, who taught ESL in Camden public schools for 30 years.

The program is free and registration is not required.

# Looking ahead to jazz on Sunday

› If you enjoy traditional jazz, mark your calendar for **Sun Feb 9** at 2pm.

That's when the Tri-State Jazz Society returns to the Haddonfield United Methodist Church for the first of its concerts in 2025.

The Glenn Crytzer Quartet plays music from the Jazz Age and the Swing Era. Glenn draws on the broad repertoire of styles of jazz that were performed prior to World War II. This includes the earliest jazz from New Orleans around the turn of the 20th century, and the styles that were part of the gradual morphing into the "hot jazz" style played by dance orchestras (early big bands) and combos of the 1920s. People associate these sounds with Prohibition, speakeasies, gangsters, the Jazz Age, and *The Great Gatsby*. Admission is $20. Annual membership costs $20, and members pay $10 for each regular concert. New members may attend their first concert for free.

Learn more at *tristatejazz.org*.

# Pilates, Sculpt-&-Tone classes

› The fitness classes at the Presbyterian Church, conducted by Sue Heindel, resumed on **Mon Jan 6**.

- Mondays and Wednesdays, from 9:15 to 10am: Pilates. A progressive series of exercises that accommodate all fitness levels, focus on the abdominals and back, and are designed to increase strength, flexibility, and balance.
- Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:15 to 10am: Sculpt & Tone. Group fitness using a non-aerobic strength- training system that combines effective exercises based on weight training, Pilates principles, and calisthenics, with tools such as tubes, bender balls, and glides.

Fees are $84 for 12 classes; $162 for 24; $234 for 36; $300 for 48. Fees can be pro-rated based on personal attendance schedules.

Contact Sue for details: *sueheindel@gmail.com* or 609-238-5468.

Proceeds benefit the First Presbyterian Preschool.

- **Patrick Joseph Walsh, 85**
  December 27, 2024
- **Rosemarie Krauss, 89**
  December 30, 2024
- **Anna Mae Sutterley, 87**
  December 15, 2024
- **Joyce Albrecht, 85**
  December 11, 2024
- **Stanley G. Maslowski, 93**
  November 19, 2024
- **David G. Eynon, 95**
  November 16, 2024
- **Mary Frances Nicoletti, 66**
  November 6, 2024

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# Author talks

› 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 Jan 15** at 7pm:

Come for a magical moment with New York Times bestselling author TJ Klune as he chats about his *Cerulean Chronicles*, with special emphasis on his newest in the series, *Somewhere Beyond the Sea.*

New to the Cerulean Chronicles? Klune's *The House in the Cerulean Sea* introduces us to Linus Baker, a by-the-book caseworker in the Department in Charge of Magical Youth. He's tasked with determining whether six dangerous magical children are likely to bring about the end of the world.

*The House in the Cerulean Sea* is an enchanting love story, masterfully told, about the profound experience of discovering an unlikely family in an unexpected place ... and realizing that family is yours.

Klune's most recent book, *Somewhere Beyond the Sea,* welcomes us back for Arthur's story.

- **Thu Jan 23** at 2pm:

Bestselling author Amanda Montellotes: *Notes on Modern Irrationality.*

- **Tue Jan 28** at 1pm:

Seth Fishman: *An Inside Look at Working with a Literary Agent.*

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 ■.


SYMPHONY IN C

Symphonic Series Concert

at Gordon Theater, Rutgers-Camden Center for the Arts

Virtuoso Duets

and Suite Melodies

Saturday, Jan 11 – 7[30]pm

- **Saint-Saens:** Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso in A minor, Op. 28
- **Sarasate:** Navarra for 2 Violins, Op. 33
- **Grieg:** Peer Gynt, Suites No. 1-2
- **Higdon:** Cold Mountain Suite
- **Ravel:** Tzigane

Saturday, February 22 at 7:30pm

- **Beethoven:** Piano Concerto No. 3
- **Schubert:** Symphony No. 9 "The Great"

Saturday, May 3 at 7:30pm

- Young Composers' Competition Winner
- **Coleridge-Taylor:** Violin Concerto in G minor
- **Brahms:** Symphony No. 3, Op. 90, F Major

Virtuosi Series Concert

at Haddonfield United Methodist Church

The Music of Romance!

Sunday, Feb 16 – 4pm

- **Rachmaninov:** Trio élégiaque No. 1 in G minor
- **Tchaikovsky:** Piano Trio in A minor, Op. 50

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Symphony in C concerts are supported, in part, by funds from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, the Presser Foundation, Horizon Foundation for NJ, the William G. Rohrer Charitable Foundation, and TD Charitable Foundation.
Symphony in C is a member of ArtPride and the South Jersey Cultural Alliance (SJCA).

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# A new season of art classes at the Markeim ...

› Here's a selection. Check out the full lineup at *MarkeimArtsCenter.org.*

• **Animals and Art,** for ages 5 to 8. Five Sundays from 11am to 12n, beginning on **Sun Jan 12.** Young artists will explore a variety of art techniques as they create an array of animals in art. Instructor: Vin Giannetto.

• **Paint & Sketch,** for ages 9 to 12. Five Mondays from 5:15 to 6:30pm, beginning on **Mon Jan 13.** (No class on Mon Jan 20.) Students will learn essential skills and techniques to express themselves through these two extremely versatile media. All materials provided. Instructor: Kristen Davila.

• **Clay Club,** for ages 8 to 12. Option 1: Mondays from 4:30 to 6pm, beginning **Mon Jan 13.** (No class on Jan 20 and Feb 17.) Option 2: Thursdays from 4:30 to 6pm, beginning **Thu Jan 16.** Learn hand-building techniques while creating mugs, bowls, monster pinch pots, bobble heads, and clay magnets (for example). Instructor: Katelyn Doherty.

# ... kicks off in January

• **Kids Wheel Throwing,** for ages 8 to 12. Six Tuesdays from 4:30 to 6pm, beginning on **Tue Jan 14.** ( No class on Tue Feb 18.) Young artists will learn basic wheel throwing techniques and bring their creations to life with colorful glazes. Instructor: Ryan Sickles.

• **Kids Drawing: Let's Get Sketchy,** for ages 9 to 14. Six Tuesdays from 5 to 6:30pm, beginning on **Tue Jan 14.** Students will learn to see as an artist. Instructor: Kristen Davila.

• **Mixed Media,** for ages 5 to 8. Seven Thursdays from 5:15 to 6:16pm, beginning on **Thu Jan 16.** The perfect class to learn drawing, painting, watercolor, pastels, and mixed media art skills. Instructor: Kristen Davila.

• **Photography Bootcamp:** The Art of Seeing Creatively, for ages 9 to 14. Six Wednesdays from 4:30 to 5:30pm, beginning on **Wed Jan 22.** Markeim provides the camera, you provide the creativity! Instructor: Jordan Fiordaliso.

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## Looking Ahead (alphabetically)

| | |
|---|---|
| Sun Mar 9 | Daylight Saving Time begins |
| Wed Jun 18 | Last day for Public Schools. High School graduation. |
| Sat Feb 8 | Mayor's Breakfast and Citizen of the Year Award (at Tavistock) |
| Mon May 26 | Memorial Day |
| Tue May 13 | Municipal Election. Petition deadline: Thu Feb 27 |
| Mon Feb 17 | Presidents Day. Public Schools closed. Also for students on Tue 18. |
| Tue Mar 4 | Restaurant Week (thru Sun Mar 9) |
| Sun Feb 23 | Rotary Golf (at Topgolf, Mt Laurel) |
| Fri Apr 18 | Spring Break for Public Schools (thru Fri Apr 25) |
| Fri Feb 21 | *Steel Magnolias* (at Plays & Players) |
| Sun Feb 9 | Tri-State Jazz (at Methodist Church) |
| Sun Feb 16 | Virtuosi Concert by Symphony in C (at Methodist Church) |

## 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.



### 12

Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**

### 13

Coffee with Comm. Siedell /JJ **7-9**
Pilates /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
Storytime /PL **10-10$^{30}$**
Chair Yoga /MK **10$^{15}$-11, 11$^{15}$-12**
Open Play /PL **10$^{30}$-12$^{30}$**
Spanish (Beginners) /MK **11$^{15}$-12$^{15}$**
STEMStories Pre-K /PL **1-1$^{30}$**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
Diamond Art /PL **6-7**
PJ Story & Craft /PL **6$^{30}$-7**
American Legion Post 38 /HQ **7$^{30}$**

### 14

Sculpt & Tone /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Baby Bookworms /PL **10$^{15}$-10$^{45}$**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10$^{15}$-11**
Book Club /MK **11-12**
Garden Club /LC **12**
Bridge Club /MK **12$^{30}$**
Storytime /PL **1-1$^{30}$**
Backyard Chickens /BH **7**
Toastmasters /LC **7$^{15}$**

### 15

Fall Prevention /MK
Pilates /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
Coffee & Schmooze
Baby Bookworms /
Rotary Club /TCC **1**
Baby Buddies /PL **1**
Bingo /MK **1-2$^{30}$**
Line Dancing /MK
Kit Kat Taste Test /P
Library Author Talk
Municipal Alliance
Mystery Book Club

### 19

Winterfest: Ice Carving /KC **11**
*Hunchback of Notre Dame* /HPP **3**
MLK Jr Day Worship Service /MOC **4**
Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**

### 20 BIRTHDAY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR

**CHIPPER WEEK**
**CLOSED** Public Library, Public Schools, Mabel Kay Senior Center
**POSTPONED** to Tuesday: Recycling
Coffee with Comm. Siedell /JJ **7-9**
MLK Day of Service /MC **8$^{30}$-2**
Pilates /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
MLK Jr March for Peace /BH **7**

### 21

**DELAY** Public Schools (two hours)
Shade Tree /BH **8**
Senior Citizens /MK **9$^{15}$**
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$^{30}$**
Crafternoon /PL **1-2**
Basket Weaving /PL **3$^{30}$-5$^{30}$**
Zoning /BH **7** • Toastmasters /LC **7$^{15}$**
Recreation /BH **8**

### 22

Partnership for Hac
Fall Prevention /MK
Pilates /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
Snowball Dance Pa
Coffee & Schmooze
Something to Chev
Rotary Club /TCC **1**
Line Dancing /MK
Edible Art /PL **1-3**
YA Book Club for Ac
Environmental /BH

### 26

**CLOSED** Public Library, except for Jigsaw Puzzle Competition /PL **1-3$^{30}$**
*Hunchback of Notre Dame* /HPP **3**
Dance Haddonfield /GC **6-10**

### 27

Coffee with Comm. Siedell /JJ **7-9**
Pilates /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
Lunar New Year Craft /PL **10-8**
Chair Yoga /MK **10$^{15}$-11, 11$^{15}$-12**
Spanish (Beginners) /MK **11$^{15}$-12$^{15}$**
Mah Jongg /MK **1-3**
Commissioners /BH **7$^{30}$**

### 28 *Haddonfield Today Deadline*

Library Trustees /PL **8**
Sculpt & Tone /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
Coffee & Conversation /110 **10-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10$^{15}$-11**
Game Day /LC **12-3**
Bridge Club /MK **12$^{30}$**
Library Author Talk /V **1-2**
Storytime /PL **1-3$^{30}$**
History Book Club /V **7**

### 29 LUN

Fall Prevention /MK
Pilates /PC **9$^{15}$-10**
Story & Craft /PL **1**
Coffee & Schmooze
Rotary Club /TCC **1**
Bingo /MK **1-2$^{30}$**
Line Dancing /MK

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| 110 | 110 Rhoads Ave | DT | Downtown | HPP | Plays & Players | JJ | Jersey Java | LC | Lutheran Church |
| BC | Baptist Church | FM | Friends Meeting | HQ | Post 38, 129 Veterans Lane | KC | Kings Court | MB | Mechanical Brewery, Cherry Hill |
| BH | Borough Hall | GC | Grace Church | IKT | Indian King Tavern Museum | KR | King's Road Brewing Co | MAC | Markeim Arts Center |

sday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday



## 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

## 10 JAN

***Haddonfield Today***

Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11**
Scrabble /MK **11-1**
Chair Yoga /MK **11[15]-12**
Coffee at the Library /PL **2-4**
Kids' Book Club /PL **3[30]-4[15]**
*Beauty & the Beast Jr* /MC **7**

## 11

Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Open Play /PL **10[30]-12[30]**
Rockin' Out with Mr Bobby /PL **3-3[30]**
*Beauty & the Beast Jr* /MC **2**
*Beauty & the Beast Jr* /MC **7**

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e /MK **10-12**
/PL **10[15]-10[45]**
**2[15]-1[30]**
**12[30]-2**
**1-2[30]**
PL **3[30]-4**
/V **7-8**
/BH **7**
/PL **7-8**

## 16

Sculpt & Tone /PC **9[15]**
Art (Beginners) /MK **9-12**
Lego Duplo Club /PL **10-12**
Fitness with Mel /MK **10[15]-11**
Art (Advanced) /MK **12-3**
Tai Chi /MK **1-1[45]**
Matinee Movie /PL **1-3**
65 Club /110 **1[30]**
Senior Trivia /MK **2-3[30]**
Board of Ed Work Session /MHS **7**
Business Networking Group /KR **7[30]**

## 17

Winterfest /DT
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
Chair Yoga /MK **10[15]-11**
Scrabble /MK **11-1**
Chair Yoga /MK **11[15]-12**
*Hunchback of Notre Dame* /HPP **8**

## 18

Winterfest /DT
Souper Bowl Saturday /MPL **11-3**
Neurodiversity Conference /MC **8-3**
Thrift Shop /GC **10-4**
What Would Martin Say? /LC **12-1**
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Disability Conference /PC **8[30]-11[30]**
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MK Mabel Kay Senior Center
MOC Mt Olivet Church
MPL Mechanic Parking Lot
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## Citizen of the Year to be honored

On Saturday, February 8, at the Tavistock Country Club, Mayor Colleen Bianco Bezich will present the 2025 Citizen of the Year Award to lifelong resident and community volunteer **Maureen Lynn Eyles.**

The presentation will take place during the annual Mayor's Breakfast, a tradition established by the Haddonfield Jaycees in 1973 and continued by the Lions Club since 1992. Over the years, a total of 54 citizens have been recognized for their outstanding service to our community.



If one goal of the Citizen of the Year award is to recognize a resident who has been a major force for good in our community over a period of years, that goal was certainly achieved in 2025 with the selection of **Maureen Eyles.**

A third-generation resident and 1987 graduate of Haddonfield Memorial High School, Maureen served as the executive director for First Night Haddonfield from 2011-14 and for the Haddonfield's 300th Anniversary Celebration in 2013. She was a member of the Board of Education from 2012 to 2019 and has been a member of the Haddonfield Educational Trust since 2013. (She is its current president.) She was project leader for the HMHS Beautification Project (2017-22) and the Trust's Rally in the Alley (2022-24).

In 2024, Maureen Eyles led Haddonfield CARES, a community group formed to advocate for the Board of Education's (successful) $46 million bond referendum.

Maureen received the Civic Association's Alfred E. Driscoll Award for Community Service in 2015, and the Alumni Society's Lifetime Achievement Award in 2024.

Also during the Mayor's Breakfast, the Commissioners will provide a State of the Borough report and a senior student at Memorial High School will be presented with the William G. Hansen Youth of the Year Award for 2025.

**All members of the community are welcome to attend the Mayor's Breakfast, with reservations in advance. Tickets are $30 and may be purchased online at HaddonfieldLions.org. Scan the QR code.**

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## Lions and Leos go shopping

In December, Lions and Leos from Haddonfield and Pennsauken descended on the Cherry Hill Target for the annual Dr. Larry Ragone Memorial Shopping Spree. They helped children with sight issues to purchase holiday gifts for their family members and caregivers.

Thanks to all who donated, shopped, wrapped, and coordinated!

## Marking 80 years of service

More than 100 guests celebrated at the Tavistock Country Club on November 5, 2024, to mark the 80th anniversary of the Haddonfield Lions Club's charter. The evening included a slide show, line dancing, magic, carol singing, the Lions Choir, delicious food, awards, and a Borough proclamation. A roaring time was had by all.

# For a laugh ...

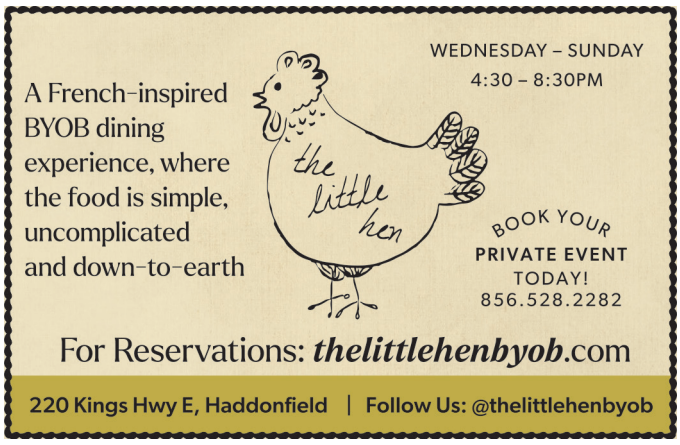
› Members of The Haddonfield Fortnightly invite "one and all" to enjoy Comedy Night at the Fortnightly on **Sat Feb 8** at 7:30pm.

Bob Marsdale will open for headliner Dena Blizzard. Appetizers and desserts provided.

Dena Blizzard is a comedian, mother of three, playwright, inventor, and content creator. She has toured extensively with her Off-Broadway shows "One Funny Mother" and "My name is NOT Mom," which were seen in 75 cities throughout North America. She is currently touring her original show, "I Love You Get Away from Me."

Tickets are $50, here – bit.ly/3DJd5KP – or ■.

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# MLK service

› The Haddonfield Council of Churches will host a community worship service in celebration of the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. on **Sun Jan 19.**

The service will be held at Mt. Olivet Baptist Church (206 Douglass Ave) at 4pm.

All are welcome.

# Senior Trivia

› A new season of Trivia with Jay at the Mabel Kay Senior Center will continue on **Thu Jan 23** – 2 to 3:30pm. All seniors are welcome to attend.

The winning team gets a prize from the Dollar Tree prize table and $3 in Mabel Money to be used toward Mabel Kay programs.

And bragging rights!

# Library to close for update

› The Public Library will transition to a new software system over the weekend of **Sat Jan 25** and **Sun Jan 26.**

Since access to the physical collection will not be available on those days, the building will be closed to the public, except for those who have registered for the Puzzle Competition scheduled for 1 to 3:30pm on **Sun Jan 26.**

Access to library accounts through the catalog will not be available on those two days, but Library members will be able to borrow and access items on the Libby and Hoopla platforms. Online information databases also will be available.

## On HPP stage

› Haddonfield Plays & Players has announced its line-up of Main Stage productions for 2025.

First up, opening on **Fri Jan 17,** is *The Hunchback of Notre Dame.*

The musical begins as the bells of Notre Dame sound through the famed cathedral in fifteenth-century Paris. Quasimodo, the deformed bell-ringer who longs to be "Out There," observes all of Paris reveling in the Feast of Fools. Held captive by his devious caretaker, Archdeacon Dom Claude Frollo, Quasimodo escapes for the day and joins the boisterous crowd, only to be treated cruelly by all but the beautiful gypsy, Esmeralda. Quasimodo isn't the only one captivated by her free spirit, though. The handsome Captain Phoebus and Frollo are equally enthralled. As the three vie for her attention, Frollo embarks on a mission to destroy the gypsies – and it's up to Quasimodo to save them all.

The show will run thru **Sat Feb 1.**

For tickets, go here: bit.ly/3BEW5oeD ■.

Next in line:

- *Steel Magnolias,* from **Fri Feb 21** thru Sat Mar 8.
- *Godspell,* from **Fri May 9** thru Sat May 24.
- *Rent,* from **Fri Sep 19** thru Sat Oct 4.
- The 2025 holiday show, *Fiddler on the Roof,* will open on **Fri Dec 5** and run thru Sat Dec 20.

## A new year

› A celebration of the Lunar New Year will be held in Kings Court on **Sat Feb 1** from 2 to 4pm.

The event will be sponsored by the Human Relations Commission and the Education Association, in partnership with the Middle School and High School Asian American Culture Clubs.

## Time to chat

› Retired men looking to create new connections are invited to stop by the 65 Club on Tuesday mornings for Coffee and Conversation.

Discussions are informal and cover current events, sports, hobbies ... whatever comes to mind. 10am to 12n at the Clubhouse, 110 Rhodes Ave.

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# Trailblazing Haddonfield schoolteacher: Joyce Gilchrist Pierce

*By Matt Skoufalos / December 28, 2024*



▲ *For 38 years, Joyce Gilchrist Pierce was the only Black teacher in the Haddonfield School District. Photo: Matt Skoufalos.*

When Alicen Joyce Pierce arrived in Haddonfield Middle School this fall, she was greeted by a plaque with her namesake on it.

It was commissioned this summer, on the 87th birthday of her grandmother, Joyce Gilchrist Pierce, to commemorate the 38 years she'd spent teaching in the district.

Only the second Black educator to have been hired in the history of the Haddonfield public school system, and the first to teach in an integrated setting there, Pierce's contributions to the district largely had gone unacknowledged for decades.

After Haddonfield educators and alumnae established the Black Haddonfield History project to trace the roots of Black culture in the borough, stories like hers began to come to life inter-generationally for the first time.

Pierce traces her love of learning and teaching to an early age. In third grade, her mother brought home a parishioner from their church who had never had the opportunity to attend school. When Pierce found out, she began coaching their friend after school ... ■.

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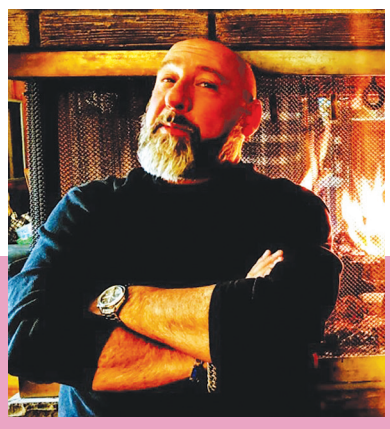
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## Classical Sundays

› Two masterpieces of the piano trio repertoire will be performed by musicians from Symphony in C at the Methodist Church on **Sun Feb 16** at 4pm.

The program will begin with Rachmaninov's *Trio élégiaque No. 1 in G minor.* It will be followed by a performance of Tchaikovsky's *Piano Trio in A minor, Op. 50.* An enchanting afternoon of music!

Tickets at *symphonyinc.org/tickets.*

The final concert in the 2024-25 Virtuosi Series will be presented on **Sun Apr 6** at 4pm. The featured works will be Debussy's *String Quartet in G minor, Op. 10* and Ravel's *String Quartet in F Major, M.35.*

## Mmm, mmm ... Good!

› Which Haddonfield eatery serves the most delicious soup?

Decide for yourself on **Sat Jan 18** during Downtown Haddonfield's third annual Souper Bowl Saturday.

The event will take place in the Mechanic Street parking lot from 11am to 3pm.

Participating eateries include The Bistro, The Bread Board Plus, Cacia's, Café Lift, Corsons, Crumb, Fishtown Seafood, Gass & Main, Haddon Culinary, Nicky B's, Passariello's, Sparrow's, Verona Ristorante Italiano, and Wanda BYOB.

The event is sponsored by King's Road Brewing Company.

Proceeds from ticket sales will be donated to Cathedral Kitchen to support their efforts to provide 2,000 hot, nutritious meals each day to adults, senior citizens, and children in the Camden community. Cathedral Kitchen will offer raffle tickets for a gift basket of certificates from participating Haddonfield restaurants.

Souper Bowl tickets include one sample of soup provided by each participating business. Limit one sample per ticket-holder.

Tickets for seven separate 30-minute time-slots are $20 in advance ($25 on the day), and are available here – bit.ly/4gJhg7Z – or scan the QR code ■.

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## It's a puzzle!

› On **Thu Jan 2**, the Public Library inaugurated its new lending Puzzle Library.

A number of puzzle-related activities have been scheduled for the month, including:

• **Thu Jan 16** from 1 to 3pm, the movie *Puzzle*.

It's a closely observed portrait of Agnes, whose sheltered life changes dramatically when she receives a jigsaw puzzle as a birthday gift and experiences the heady thrill of being very, very good at solving it.

Soft drinks will be served to enjoy with freshly popped popcorn.

Borrow a puzzle from the Puzzle Library (or BYO puzzle) and start sorting while you watch!

• **Sun Jan 26** from 1 to 3:30pm – The Library's first-ever Puzzle Competition for teens and adults. Each team (of up to two puzzlers) will work on the same 500-piece puzzle. Who will be the fastest?

Each team will go home with the puzzle they worked on, and the winning team will receive a bonus puzzle ... plus bragging rights!

To register, go here – bit.ly/4a5Tu3z – or scan the QR code ■.

Register for **PUZZLE COMP**



## Holiday hours

› The Borough Hall, Public Library, and Mabel Kay Senior Center will all be closed on **Mon Jan 20** in observance of the Birthday of Martin Luther King Jr.

Monday's trash will be collected on Monday.

Monday's recycling collection will be postponed to **Tue Jan 21.**

## The next election

› The next election for the Haddonfield Board of Commissioners will be held on **Tue May 13.**

All three seats, each for a four-year term, will be on the ballot. Candidate must U.S. citizens and residents of Haddonfield, at least 18 years of age, and have been registered voters in Haddonfield for one year prior to the election.

Residents who are interested in running for election to the board must file their petitions by 4pm on **Thu Feb 27.**

Important information for candidates and their committees is available on the Borough website, here – bit.ly/4gKxZrg – or scan the QR code ■.

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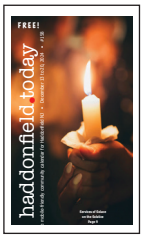


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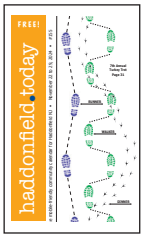

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# History book club, online

› The subject of the Historical Society's next book club discussion, at 7pm on **Tue Jan 28,** will be *The Scientist Turned Spy: André Michaux, Thomas Jefferson, and the Conspiracy of 1793,* a novel by Patrick Spero.

To get Zoom link: *info @haddonfieldhistory.org.*

# Coffee with Dave Siedell

› The newly elected Borough commissioner and Director for Revenue & Finance, Dave Siedell, invites residents and business owners to chat with him about municipal matters of interest and concern at Jersey Java on Mondays, from 7 to 9am-ish.

# Two dis/abilities conferences

› Coming up:

• **Sat Jan 18** from 8am to 3pm at the Methodist Church – An Autism Conference featuring Dr. Lady J. RiosVega (Jefferson Autism Center of Excellence), Ellie Kaplan-Kahn PhD (CHOP's Center of Autism Research), and Robert Naseef PhD.

For details, email Pastor Cricket at *cdenton@haddonfieldumc.org.*

• **Sat Feb 1** from 8:30 to 11:30am at the Presbyterian Church – A free seminar on the topic of building community for adults with disabilities. The keynote speaker will be award-winning author Amy Julia Becker. Details: Joyce Stout *billandjoyce1@aol.com.*

# Library Book Club to meet

› The Haddonfield Public Library's Book Club meets monthly throughout the year, except in Jun, Aug, and Dec. Participants gather at the Library on Mondays from 6:30 to 8pm.

The subject for discussion on **Mon Feb 24** is a work of literary fiction, *Demon Copperhead,* by Barbara Kingsolver.

Then, on **Mon Mar 24:** *River of the Gods: Genius, Courage, and Betrayal in the Search for the Source of the Nile* by Candice Millard, a work of narrative non-fiction.

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› That's what scores of singles and couples do every Sunday night in the Grace Church auditorium, courtesy of Dance Haddonfield. Join them!

The evening begins with an Intermediate Lesson at 6pm. On **Sun Jan 12** and **19,** Camille Ardary of Stardust Ballroom, Bellmawr will teach Rumba, a sensual, romantic dance known for its slow rhythm, fluid movements, and emphasis on hip action. It's often called the "dance of love," showcasing intricate footwork and expressive body language. Camille's lessons are always fun.

The Beginner Lesson at 6:45pm on **Sun Jan 12** – Tango – will be taught by George Davis. (On **Sun Jan 19:** Samba. On **Sun Jan 26:** Bolero.)

Then there's Open Dancing from 7:30 to 10pm.

The admission fee ($10) includes Beginner Lesson, Open Dancing, and food from China King. The fee for the Intermediate Lesson is an additional $5.

*DanceHaddonfield.org*

# Tee up for Topgolf

› The Rotary Club is inviting those who enjoy hitting golf balls in the dead of winter from one of the cozy enclosures at Topgolf in Mt Laurel to ... sign up now!

The club's foundation will hold its annual fundraiser at Topgolf on **Sun Feb 23** from 4 to 7pm.

Last year some 100 Rotarians and guests practiced their golf swing in heated bays, enjoyed a delicious buffet, bid on silent auction offerings, participated in a 50/50 raffle, and ... mingled.

Those who attend the event know they are helping to fund scholarships for local students, grants for local nonprofits and a variety of service projects – locally, regionally, and internationally. Donations are tax-deductible.

All who play golf, at any level, are invited to participate.

Full details are on the Rotary Club's website: *HaddonfieldRotary.org.* Or scan the QR code ■ – bit.ly/49On5hx.

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# Hands-on day of service

› The United Methodist Church invites members of the community to participate in a meaningful Day of Service on **Mon Jan 20,** honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's legacy through community action.

Arrive at the church at 8:30am for check-in and reflection before serving from 9am to 12n at one of three community sites: Simple Homes (manual labor); Refugee Family (deep cleaning basement); or Neighborhood Collaborative Community Gardens (environmental/gardening).

Return to the church at 12:30pm for lunch and a short film celebrating Dr. King's life and legacy.

To reserve your spot with the project that speaks to your heart, register at *haddonfieldumc.org/serve.*

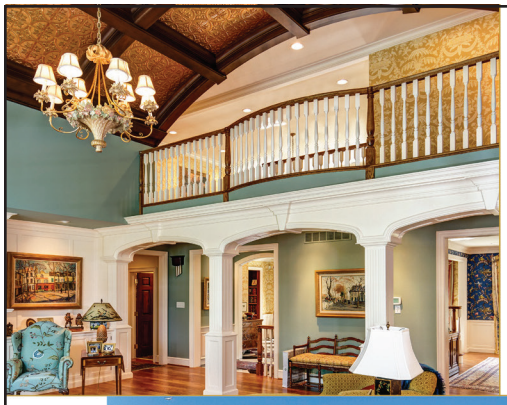
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