**ECA SPOTLIGHT: VOLUME 16** 

SEMESTER 2: WEEKS 15 & 16

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Johanna Bresnick, Visual Arts



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> Dreamscapes 2 & 6:30 pm Little Theatre

Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> ECA Prom 6:30 pm ECA Arts Hall

Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> Audubon Street Arts Festival 12-6 pm Audubon Street

Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>
The Labor Project
2 & 6:30pm ECA Arts Hall

**Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup>** Spring Concert 6:30 pm Little Theatre

**Thursday, May 30**<sup>th</sup> Visual Arts Exhibition 5:00 - 7:00 pm

**Tuesday, June 4**<sup>th</sup>
Creative Writing Readings
2 & 6:30pm Little Theatre &
Theatre Studio

Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> Senior Dance Project Performance 6:30pm ECA Arts Hall

Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>
Senior Dance Project
Performance 2 & 6:30pm
ECA Arts Hall

Thursday, June 6<sup>th</sup>
Music Department Recital
1:30 pm Neighborhood
Music School

**Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**Graduation Day 1:15 pm
Audubon Street Plaza

### **Dear ECA Community:**

As we approach the end of the school year, we want to extend a warm invitation to join us for the many culminating events that showcase our students' artistic growth throughout the year. These events are a testament to the hard work and dedication of our students, and we would love for you to be a part of these celebrations.



The list of upcoming events, found below, will outline our performance/presentation schedule for the remainder of the year.

We also want to take this opportunity to ask for your feedback. Last week, we shared the Panorama School Surveys from ACES. Your feedback is invaluable to us as we strive to make ECA the best it can be. Please access the link to the survey <a href="here">here</a>. If you have any additional feedback or suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Kevin or Amy.

Our graduation celebration for ECA seniors is scheduled for **June 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 pm** outside on Audubon Street. In the event of rain, the event will be moved indoors. Due to space limitations, we are able to provide seating for our graduating seniors and four guests outdoors, and three guests indoors. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

This event will be a wonderful opportunity for all families to celebrate their graduates and for the school to acknowledge and celebrate their many achievements during their time at ECA. We will be sending out a detailed schedule of the afternoon and other relevant information about graduation in the next couple of weeks.

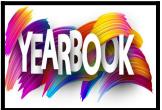
Thank you for your continued support and commitment to ECA. We look forward to seeing you at one of our many events and celebrating with you, all, soon!

## Kevin & Amy

## **ECA COMMUNITY EVENTS**

THE ECA YEARBOOK IS BACK!

We are excited to announce that, for the



2023-2024 school year, ECA will be providing a school yearbook in a digital format to all students and families. In addition to this,

families will have the option of purchasing a hard copy of the yearbook.

Further information on purchases will be made available to all families in our next newsletter. STAY TUNED for more details on how to secure your copy of this memorable keepsake.

Over the past few weeks, ACES ECA has had some wonderful televised features. Please take a moment to view the following clips which highlight our work as a school and our upcoming 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>:

What's Right With Schools (A Feature of ACES ECA Dance Program)

Connecticut Morning Buzz (ACES ECA Celebrates 50 Years!)

On Monday, April 8<sup>th</sup> ACES ECA Faculty and Staff took time to gather in the Audubon Plaza with their solar viewers and observe the eclipse. It was a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and witness this unique, incredible event.

30th ACES ECA continued their work with the IRIS- Integrated Refugee & Immigrant Services After School Program in New Haven. Students across our five disciplines developed engaging Music and Visual Arts activities for elementary, middle and high school-aged students in an effort to increase connection through our universal arts language. A special THANK YOU to Assistant Principal, Amy Christman and Visual Arts Department Chair, Hanni Bresnick,

On Tuesday, April 9th & Tuesday, April



for facilitating this work with our students

and for initiating this partnership with IRIS.

On Thursday, April 11<sup>th</sup> ACES ECA Theatre and Music students presented a and thoughtful, exceptional, performance of "Chamber Music" by Arthur Kopit. Special gratitude to our ECA staff: Ingrid Schaeffer (Director), Roy Wiseman (Musical Director), Angharad Davies (Movement Coach), Carolyn Ladd (Voice (Musical and Dialect Coach), Seth Harris (Technical Director) and Conrad Kluck (Set & Properties Design/Construction) for bringing this production to our many students and families!

ECA Community Events Continued on the next page.

## ECA COMMUNITY EVENTS (cont.)

On Monday, April 15<sup>th</sup> ACES ECA Theatre student, Daia Jade '24, performed in the ESU 2024 National Shakespeare Competition at Lincoln Center. Daia represented our state, performed with students from around the country, and placed in the top 10! Daia began the process this past winter and competed with over 20,000 participants from across the country. We are proud of her and grateful to ECA Faculty, Benjamin Curns, Carolyn Ladd and Ingrid Schaeffer (Dept. Chair) for their unwavering support of Daia's hard work. Brava, Daia!



Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> the ACES ECA Theatre Department performed a moving and powerful production of "Bullet Points", a devised play for Social Justice which addresses the impact of gun violence. Special thanks and BRAVI to Theatre Instructor, Peter Loffredo (Director) and Seth Harris, Technical Director, for their artistic support.

Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> our ACES ECA Music Department presented their "Jazz Live at the 55" performance where they transformed the Arts Hall into a club atmosphere with light refreshments for the audience. Congratulations to our ECA Jazz Collective, ECA Studio Singers, ECA Jazz Ensemble, and special guests for their wonderful performances. A special thank you to ECA Music Instructors, Will Cleary & Yiran Zhao, Assistant Principal, Amy Christman, and our many ECA Music parents for all of their hard work in providing this event to our attendees!

\*Pictures from the event will be highlighted in our next newsletter\*



Quarter Three Report Cards were mailed prior to spring break. In addition to the report cards, there is a Parent Residency Verification Form included in this mailing which ACES is requiring all enrolled students/families to complete. Please review this information and submit by the deadline provided in the letter. For your convenience, we have included a link to this letter and form here.

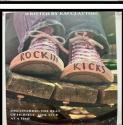
Lastly, please review the materials from the office of ACES Family and Community Engagement included with this newsletter.

## **ACES/ECA DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS**



## **Creative Writing**

For the Producing Project, screenwriting students are pitching each other's scripts, including creating original posters for these works-inprogress.



We just received a plaque from Young Arts celebrating Senior Naomi Borenstein's prize-winning poetry.

During April Break, Department Chair Saul Fussiner was in Denmark and Sweden, where he and Visual Arts alum Josh Murray, who lives in Sweden, visited the National Gallery of Denmark to see a show curated by ECA Visual Arts alum Yvette Brackman.



#### Saul Fussiner, Department Chair





## Dance

The ECA Dance Department attended the award winning Broadway show "Hadestown," at the Shubert Theatre in New Haven this past Thursday and enjoyed this powerful performance.

ECA seniors are immersed in their preparations for their senior project, where each will create original choreography for the 2024 Senior Choreography Showcase on June 5th and June 6th in the ECA Arts Hall. Seniors presenting their original works include Ayla Yildiz, Yazia Luna, Julianna Trudden, Danielle Duarte, Isa Garcia, Sophia Perrone, Eliana Velazquez, Ava O'Kelley and Alondra Perez.

Mariane Banar-Fountain, Department Chair

#### Music

Congratulations to our student musicians who performed for the "Jazz Live at the 55" on May 3rd! Our Arts Hall transformed into a club atmosphere for the evening where our students played with such passion and energy for their audience.

BRAVI to our ECA Jazz Collective, ECA Studio Singers, ECA Jazz Ensemble for their dynamic performances and special thank you to ECA Music Instructors, Will Cleary & Yiran Zhao for their extraordinary direction.

And, a very special THANK YOU to our dedicated ECA Music parents for all of their hard work in contributing to and supporting this event.

Upcoming Music Department events include Spring Concert on Thursday, May 30th at 6:30 pm in the Little Theatre and the Music Department Recital on Thursday, June 6th at 1:30 pm at the Neighborhood Music School.

Amy Christman & Kevin Buno, Co-Chairs

#### **Theatre**

Liz Dangerfield and I had the privilege of seeing instructor and alum, Brett Epstein, in his one man show at the tank in NYC entitled "Brett Epstein Alone On Stage." Brett was funny, poignant, and deeply human as he explored and shared his world of being a young, gay, a professional actor living in New York City, and his desire to find connection and love. He will be performing again in New York in July and then taking his show to the Edinburgh Fringe Festival in Scotland! <a href="https://itsbrett.net/alone/">https://itsbrett.net/alone/</a>

Our next performance in the Theatre Department is,

#### Dreamscapes

"Dreamscapes" invites you on a whimsical journey where dreams merge with reality. Through original scenes, monologues, and songs inspired by students' nocturnal dreams and future aspirations, "Dreamscapes" explores the meaning of human existence. Using documentary theatre and autobiographical storytelling techniques intertwined with text from August Strindberg's "A Dream Play", the performance becomes a fantastical narrative of self-discovery. Surrender to the surreal and embrace the magic of the unknown in this captivating exploration of the human psyche.

Directed by Liz Daingerfield May 9, 6:30pm Little Theatre Tickets \$10.00

Ingrid Schaeffer, Department Chair

## ACES/ECA DEPARTMENT HIGHLIGHTS (cont.)

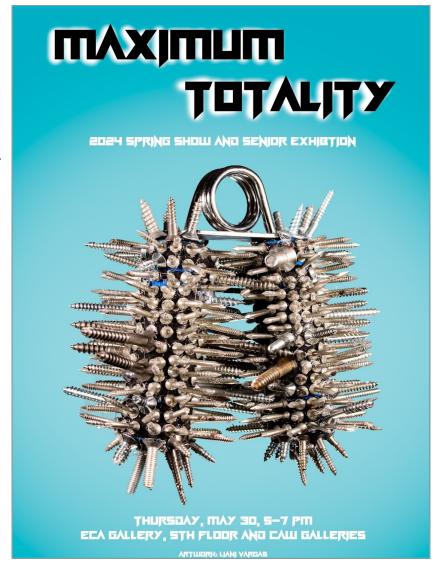
#### **Visual Arts**

ECA Visual Arts students are in the process of preparing for their Spring Show and Senior Exhibition on Thursday, May 30<sup>th</sup> from 5-7 pm in the ECA Gallery, ECA 5<sup>th</sup> floor & CAW Gallery Spaces. Please save the date!

Johanna (Hanni) Bresnick, Department Chair

#### **ACES ECA SOCIAL MEDIA**

ACES ECA continues to celebrate accomplishments, provide information on upcoming events, and promote educational opportunities through our Facebook Page. We want to remind all who follow our social media that this is a platform used for informational purposes only. If there are any concerns, social media related or otherwise, we encourage you to reach out to Principal Kevin Buno via email (KBuno@aces.org) or phone (203-777-5451) at any time. Our door is always open!



PACE

#### Parents for Arts-Centered Education

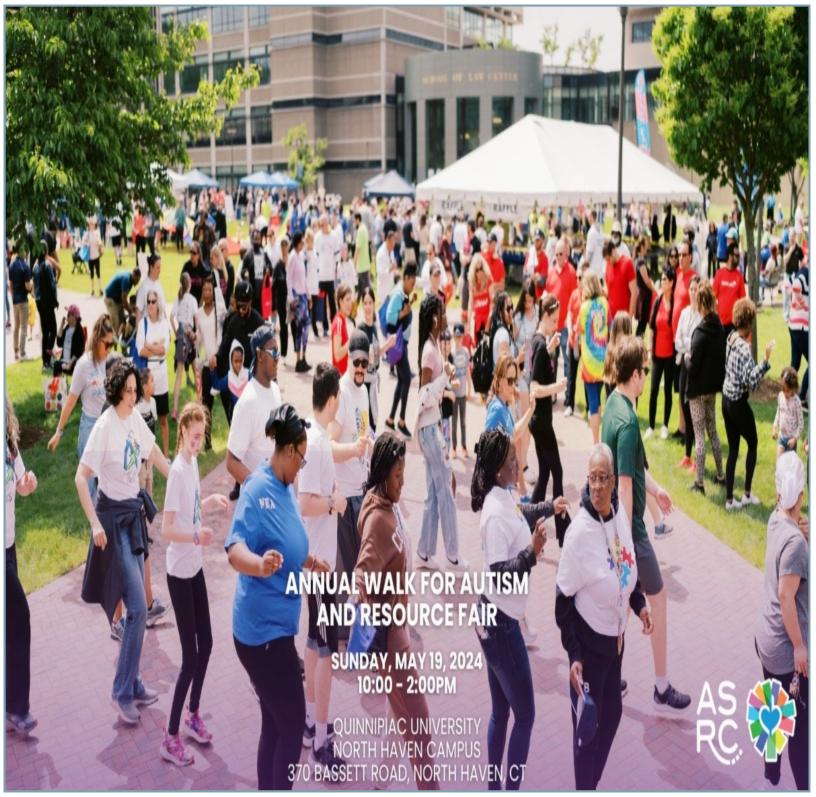
ACES ECA PACE (Parents for Arts-Centered Education) held its third hybrid meeting on Wednesday, April 24th. Our families meet with administrators to continue conversations on their vision for the school and opportunities to support our students in their artistic endeavors. Please consider joining this wonderful organization which provides immense support to the ongoing needs of our school. PACE is in the process of organizing sub-committees to help support the school's forthcoming endeavors. To indicate your interest in PACE and to join the mailing list, we invite all ECA families to complete this short form. The officers of PACE for the 23-24 school year are:

- Sara Armstrong, president (parent of ECA visual arts student '24 & theatre alumnus '21)
- Kitty Clemens, vice president (parent of ECA music student '25)
- Nick Perrone, secretary (parent of ECA dance student '24)
- Lisa Leamon, treasurer (parent of ECA creative writing student '25 & theatre alumna '23)

#### **UPCOMING MEETING DATES:**

Wed., May 15 at 6:30PM

All meetings will be HYBRID, meeting in person at ECA with online access as well. There will also be an ECA administrator at each meeting to report to the ECA family community about current happenings. PACE relies upon the involvement of our many families to support these and future events. To learn more about the organization and becoming involved, please email PACE at <a href="mailto:pace.eca@gmail.com">pace.eca@gmail.com</a>



Friday, May 10 at 7 pm & Saturday, May 11 at 2 pm

Doors Open 30 minutes Prior to Performance



Cabaret on Main Theater 597 Main Street, East Haven



## **TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

Scan the code or visit rkidsthegoodadoptee.ludus.com

## 'r kids Family Center

Presents

Raising the Curtain on Adoptee Rights:

## The Good Adoptee by Suzanne Bachner

Can you imagine not knowing your own identity?

The Good Adoptee is the riveting, outrageous true story of award-winning playwright Suzanne Bachner's search for her birth/first parents in the face of New York State's sealed records. Once she opens Pandora's Box, can she find a way to integrate her dual identities and still remain "The Good Adoptee"?

Immediately after the show there will be a Panel Discussion with Adult Adoptees and Birth Parents who relinquished their parental rights.

#### Beverage and Light Nibbles Included with Ticket

#### **Silent Auction Items Available:**

New York Yankee Tickets, Theater Tickets, Restaurants, Welcome to East Haven Basket & More!



"With each child, the world begins anew" — Midrash www.rkidsct.org • 203.865.5437

## MADD YOUTH INSIDER UPDATES



## **EDUCATION**

The youth department travelled to Old Saybrook last week to present Power of ME to over 100 middle schoolers, speaking about smart decision making and being a safe rider!

## **FAMILY FUN DAY**

MADD CT hosted Family Fun Day on the Branford Town Green this past weekend. We had lots of fun activities such as mini golf, Italian ice, face painting, and a mini petting zoo!



## MOCK CRASH

We attend the mock crash held at Fairfield University this week. The experience involved a live mock impaired driving crash and our MADD volunteers, Larry & Erin, who shared the impactful story of their son Kyle.



If you are interested in hosting a youth program or speaking with our youth department, please contact
Noelle.Swift@madd.org



## **SUMMER CAMP 2024 LIST**

SUMMER CAMPS 2024 websites*	TOWN	Ages or Grades	Address	PHONE
Soundview Family YMCA Day Camps	Branford	Ages 5-16	628 East Main Street	203-481-9622
Treehouse Players	Centerbrook	3-15	109 Main Street	860-581-0143
Holiday Hill	Cheshire	4-10	43 Candee Road	203-387-2267
Camp Hazen YMCA	Chester	4-13	204 West Main Street	860-526-9529
Bulldog Rowing Campus -Yale University	Derby	14-18	280 Roosevelt Drive	203.687.7829 or 203.494.8149
Fairfield Tennis Club	Fairfield	Grades 3-10	210 Old Dam Road	203-254-0440
Missoula Children's Theatre	Fairfield	Grades 1-12	1073 North Benson Road	203-254-4242
Summer Cabaret Workshop	Fairfield	Ages 7 and up	Check website for locations	203.259.1036
New Era Gymnastics	Hamden	5-17	1180 Sherman Avenue	203-281-1826
Hamden-North Haven YMCA	Hamden	5-12	Check website for location	203-248-6361
Bushy Hill Nature Center Summer Day Camps	Ivoryton	Check website for specific programs	253 Bushy Hill Road	860-767-2148
Day Camp at Deer Lake	Killingworth	5-14	101 Paper Mill Road	203-421-8484
Camp Claire	Lyme	Grades K-8	15 Oakland Avenue	860-434-0368
Camp Laurelwood	Madison	6-16	463 Summer Hill Road	203-421-3736
Monroe Summer Day Camp	Monroe	3 years old - students entering 8th grade	34 Church Street	contact info on website
Mystic Aguarium Summer Camp	Mystic	K-5	55 Coogan Boulevard	860-572-5955
Mystic Seaport Camps (includes sailing and other fun optoins)	Mystic	3-16	75 Germanville Avenue	888-973-2767
Camp Playland	New Canaan	4-16	802 Ponus Ridge	203-966-2937
Audubon Arts at Neighborhood Music School	New Haven	3-14	100 Audubon Street	203-624-5189
Foote School Summer Theatre Camp	New Haven	Grades 7-12	Check website	203-777-3464
Foote School Summer Adventures	New Haven	5 years and up	Check website	203-777-3564
Hopkins Summer School	New Haven	4-14	986 Forest Road	203-387-1001
Schooner: Exploring Our Coast	New Haven	Grades 7-12	60 South Water Street	203-562-6655
Elm Shakespear Teen Troupe Summer	New Haven	Ages 13-18	Check website for locations	203.392.8882
Elm Shakespeare Players Camp	New Haven	Ages 7-13	Check website for locations	203.392.8882
Shubert Summer Theater & Arts Camp	New Haven	6-12	247 College Street	203-624-1825
Two Cayates Wilderness School	Newtown	Grades 6-8	197 Huntingtown Road	203-843-3112
Crystal Theatre	Norwalk	0-15	66 Bayview Avenue	203-847-4850
Maritime Rowing Club	Norwalk	4-18	3 Jennings Place	203-854-5492
Oak Hills Tennis Club Camp	Norwalk	5-18	165 Fillow Street	203-838-9110
Kate's Camp for Kids	Old Saybrook	5-17	90 Main Street	860-767-0026
Bright Horizons at Yale West Campus	Orange	5-10	117 West Campus Drive	203-795-3564 ext. 0
Camp Argo	Orange	4-14 years	886 Mapledale Rd	203-799-2746
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Giggling Pig	Shelton, Millford,	ages 4-16 years	Check website for locations	203-919-1153

# Holistic Behavioral Health Wellness Center Inc.

# Men's Group Safe Space

To Secure a slot contact Karina Cordaro at kcordero@holisticbhwc.org or 203-604-9009 ext 402

> Join it's Free





The purpose of our group is to provide a dedicated space for men to explore and address the unique challenges men face in relationships, work, and societal expectations. We aim to facilitate open and honest conversations that promote self-discovery, emotional intelligence, and personal development. Through shared experiences and mutual support, our purpose is to create a brotherhood that encourages authenticity, resilience, and positive transformation in the lives of our members.

Thursday at 7pm Once a Month

# WEST HAVEN PREVENTION COUNCIL

## Free Naloxone Training

Naloxone is an FDA approved medication designed to rapidly reverse opioid overdose. It can reverse and block the effects of other opioids, such as heroin, morphine, and oxycodone.



- Naloxone works in 2-3 minutes
- · It can be administered by anyone
- · It does not cause harm

Naloxone Saves Lives.

## 2024 Virtual Training Dates:

- Monday, March II
- Monday, April 8
- · Monday, May 13
- Monday, June 10
  - Classes are 6-7pm
  - 20 people per class

THE TRAINING WILL NOT BE RECORDED. ATTENDEES MUST ARRIVE BY 6:05 OR WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ENTER THE ZOOM.





Scan the QR code to register!











Apr 10, 24 | May 8, 22 | Jun 5 | Jul 3, 17, 31

Every other Wednesday
4:30 PM - 5:30 PM / 306 Circular Ave.

St. Paul's Parish Parking Lot

For the full schedule visit www.ctfoodshare.org

Park/Walk-up - In parking lot across from Sapori









Don't forget to bring bags!

## **SNAP Education & Training Program**



Any student interested in enrolling in the SNAP & E&T Program MUST attend one mandatory orientation session and meet the following requirements:



- Receive SNAP benefits
- · Have high school diploma/GED
- · Do NOT receive TFA benefits
- Have not previously enrolled in a SNAP E&T program

To Register Scan Here 3



For more information contact Kandace Murray KMurray@gatewayct.edu

## SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) EDUCATION AND TRAINING

The SNAP Employment and Training Program prepares and assists students by offering vocational training, career activities, case management, and support services. The following certificates are FREE to eligible SNAP recipients - program descriptions can be found in this catalog.

#### CERTIFICATES OFFERED

- Bookkeeping Professional National Certificate
- Property & Casualty Insurance Certificate
- Central Sterile Supply Certificate
- · Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) Certificate
- · Child Development Associate Credential
- · Community Health Worker (CHW) Certificate
- Comprehensive Automotive Repair and Service (CARS) Certificate
- CompTIA A+ Desktop Support Specialist
- · Culinary Arts Certificate
- · Drug and Alcohol Recovery Certificate
- · Honda PACT Certificate Program
- · Hospitality and Tourism Certification
- Medical Office Assistant Certificate
- Patient Care Technician Certificate
- Pharmacy Technician Certificate

ServSafe Food Handler and Manager

- Professional Baker Certificate
- IT Certificate

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St. Luke's Services, Inc. (SLSI) has as its mission: a) the provision of wholesome and appealing meals, in a cheerful, no-questions-asked setting where men, women and children in need are welcomed; and b) the offering of varied additional support services to guests who choose to utilize them. In a land of great plenty for some and demeaning poverty for others, we believe that providing food for the hungry is a compelling necessity, but that meals alone constitute a "band aid" measure. We therefore feel responsible for addressing some of the causes of dysfunctional living as well, by making available a range of life enhancing opportunities.

The sustaining philosophy of our work is the time-honored belief that there is God in every man, woman and child. Translated into soup kitchen terms, this challenges us to share respect consistently among lunch guests, paid and volunteer staff, and professionals. Not always an easy task where intensely difficult life issues often make for a precarious balance of tempers. However, respect works! Women express their appreciation for the special St. Luke's atmosphere, and – very importantly– give us their trust, thus enabling us to assist them with services which range from pastoral counseling to children's programs.

It has been 22 years since St. Luke's Services fed its first six luncheon guests. The lunchroom doors were opened June 1989 and a full course meal was prepared by the late William Johnson. In 1994 St. Luke's Services, Inc., was incorporated as a non-profit organization, governed by its own board of directors and separate from St. Luke's Episcopal Church. The two maintain an active and valued relationship by parishioners who continue

to serve on the Board.

In 2010 St. Luke's Services distributed 2,531 meals in our friendly "no questions asked" environment. The mutual respect found in this lunchroom opens opportunity to lend a hand in a variety of ways. By that, St. Luke's Services operates a food pantry, diaper bank and clothes closet. Each year, students of the Hopkins School assist "Santa" by sharing their bounty with families from St. Luke's Services along with the parish of St. George Catholic Church in Guilford, Connecticut. Thanksgiving baskets are provided to needy families. The items included assure a full thanksgiving meal with the trimmings. We are grateful to St. George Catholic Church which continues to provide generous support in this area.

Submitted by Yvette Barnard, SLSI Secretary/Treasurer

## St. Luke's Services Weekly Operations:

Diaper Bank: every First Tuesday of the month, 10a.m.-12 noon

Women & Children Lunch Program: 12 noon -1p.m., Tuesdays & Thursdays

Wednesday Breakfast Program: 8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.

Clothes Closet: Thursdays 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Food Pantry: every First and Third Friday of the month, 10a.m.-12 noon



# EAST ROCK RANGER PROGRAMS 2024

## CLIMATE EDUCATION

- Get outdoor lessons and programming that support new CT state mandates for climate education in K-12 public schools (HB 5282)
- Understand the ecological and social issues that cause climate change & how New Haven will be affected
- · Including...
  - Social Justice
  - Indigenous History & Knowledge

## RECREATION

- Promote physical health by having fun in the outdoors!
- Decrease greenhouse gas emissions and combat climate change by engaging in active transportation
- · Including...
  - · Biking
  - Nature Hikes
  - Snow shoeing

## **HEALING ACTIVITIES**

- It is proven that spending time outdoors improves mental health & wellbeing
- Build stronger relationships with the outdoors & your community by participating in
  - Mindfulness Hikes
  - · Recovery Yoga
  - Support Groups

\*Programs can be tailored towards the needs and interests of the group participating.

## VOLUNTEER/INTERN

 Need to complete community service hours or hands-on projects? Join us at the park as we take care of our ecosystems, remove invasive species, and maintain our trails!



Please Contact to Schedule: (475) 306-4804 scollins@newhavenct.gov



## HOLISTIC BEHAVIORAL HEALTH, LLC

**IN-HOME THERAPY** 

## **ACCEPTING NEW CLIENTS**

## **Accepted Referrals**

- Children 6 yrs and older
- Families
- Adults with Disabilities

#### Services Location

Hamden, New Haven, & West Haven, CT





## **HEALTH INSURANCE**

Husky, Aetna, Anthem, & Cigna

To Enroll Contact: Karina Cordaro 203-604-9009 ext: 402 Email: Kcordaro@holisticbhwc.org

Question's about the program contact Dr. La'Shondra da Cruz at Ldacruz@holisticbhwc.org

www.holisticbhllc.com



## Announcing the Family Assistance & Social Determinant Fund

#### Providers!

Do you know a family that needs financial assistance to pay for mental health and/or substance use intervention, treatment, or medication for their child(ren) ages 0-18?

For a limited time, funding assistance is available for those that qualify\*.

Completed referrals can be sent to:

The Family Assistance & Social Determinant Fund FAX: 833-370-8773 or E-mail to FASD@carelon.com

Funding may be accessed for services rendered for a child, ages 0 up to 18, needing:

- ✓ Mental health and/or substance use treatment or prescribed medications
- ✓ Adolescent psychiatric services, intensive in-home or intensive outpatient or other recommended community-based service

#### AND

The family has been unable to access that care because:

- ✓ The family has sought but been denied coverage or reimbursement by their health carrier or have exhausted their benefits,
- The family is unable to bear the cost of the intervention due to financial hardship.
- ✓ The family has encountered barriers based on social determinants of health such as discrimination, poverty, housing or food insecurity, unemployment/underemployment, adverse early life experiences, or other social determinants related to mental health.

QUESTIONS? Contact Carelon Behavioral Health at: FASD@carelon.com

\*Funds are made available for a limited time by the CT Department of Children and Families through the American Recovery Plan Act. Funds may apply for services rendered up to 120 days prior to the date of the request.