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This past weekend, the Landing hosted two fun-filled Pumpkin Patch nights. Friday was a family friendly drivethrough while Saturday was the "scary spectacular". The Pumpkin Patch Drive-Through has become an annual tradition for the town. Jill DeChello, Editor of North Haven Magazine, is the mastermind behind this event. The drive-through highlights hundreds of pumpkins carved by residents and students. Debbie Volain, who was decked out on Friday night as a bear and on Saturday as Winnie the Pooh, enjoys seeing the kids dressed up in costume. Volain and Linda Battalene, another member of the North Haven Education Foundation, were on hand with other greeters to welcome each vehicle that drove through.

The event raised over \$2,300 in donations for the North Haven Education Foundation. Sponsoring businesses included Bathrick Law, DeMartino Outdoor, MedicareCT.com, and Stop & Shop.

The NHEF is hosting Trivia Night on Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Knights of Columbus (2650 Whitney Avenue, Hamden). Admission is \$40 per person and includes a light dinner catered by Eli's on Whitney. Doors open at 6pm and trivia takes place from 7-9:30pm. More details and ticket purchases are available at <u>www.nhedfoundation.org</u>.

The North Haven Education Foundation, Inc. (NHEF) is 509(c)(3) public charity. The NHEF provides funding to support and echince educational initiatives in the district's public schools and the community. Since its formation in 2004, the NHEF has helped bridge the gap between increased demands placed upon the school system and a decrease in federal and local educational funding. The Foundation awards grant money to encourage the innovation and establishment of educational projects that touch the lives of as many of our students as possible.

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