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## Friends Of The Library Holding Food Drive

To support the local Food Pantry, the New Haven Friends of the Library are holding a Share the Love Food Drive. Community members can drop off items inside the entrance of the Scenic Regional Library New Haven branch at 200 Douglas St. from February 1 through 15. The group will then deliver the donations to the Food Pantry.

Items most needed at the New Haven Food Pantry are canned meats & chicken, stew, chili, soup, cereal,

oatmeal, canned fruit and pancake mix. Donations of coffee, tea and juice are also appreciated. In addition to food, laundry detergent, paper towels, toilet paper and deodorant are needed.

Donations can be dropped off during regular library hours. The Library is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Every Tuesday and Thursday the Library is open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Meet And Greet Held At The New Haven Police Department

On January 21, the New Haven Police Department held a meet and greet from 5 to 7 p.m. for the new Police Chief Christopher Hammann and newest officers Ben Kohnen, Adam Sullentrup, Daniel Riewer and Kyle Walters. Approximately 100 people came through and met officers as well as toured the police department to see the improvements that had been made. We would like to thank the community members that came out to welcome the officers and appreciate all the support we receive.

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## Library Launches Online Meeting Room Reservation System

Beginning February 1, groups can reserve a meeting room at any Scenic Regional Library branch using a new online system called Evanced. If you would like to reserve a meeting room at a Scenic Regional Library branch, visit the library's website at [www.scenicregional.org](http://www.scenicregional.org), click on the "Meeting Room" link on the menu, and begin the reservation process. You will need to create an account the first time.

With the exception of the Hermann, all branches have meeting rooms. While the primary purpose of the meeting rooms is to provide programming spaces for the library, they can also be reserved by outside groups, such as businesses, nonprofit organizations, community groups, and individuals. Use of the library meeting rooms is free.

The biggest rules regarding the meeting rooms

are that groups can't charge admission or an entry fee to their meetings and they can't be selling any products or services. The rooms also can't be used for personal use or social events, such as weddings, funerals, birthday parties, or reunions.

Organizations are allowed to have meals catered for their meetings in the library's meeting rooms, such as for a Rotary or Chamber luncheon.

Meeting rooms are available after Library hours, including Sundays, but the representative of the group making the reservation must pick up a key at the branch prior to the meeting.

As with most meeting spaces, groups are responsible for setting-up tables and chairs. They are also responsible for disposing of trash, vacuuming, and wiping down all tables and counters after their meeting, if needed.

## Library Offers Passport Services

All Scenic Regional Library branches are now passport application facilities; the service was launched on February 1. All library staff members at the branches are trained passport agents. However, passport services are by appointment only; please call your local branch to schedule an appointment.

In some of the library's communities, the library is the only place offering passport services. While post offices offer passport services in some cities in the area, the library is the only entity doing so in the evenings and all day on Saturdays. The library's Union branch has offered passport services since January 2017 and the Warrenton branch since Octo-

ber 2017. Many public libraries across the country serve as passport facilities.

A new passport for an adult costs \$110, plus a \$35 application fee. These fees are set by the U.S. Department of State. The application process normally takes about 25 minutes. Once an application is submitted, it takes approximately 4-6 weeks to receive a passport. However, there are options to receive it sooner.

For additional information about fees, photograph requirements, acceptable payments methods, and identification requirements, visit [www.scenicregional.org/passportservices](http://www.scenicregional.org/passportservices). The library does not offer passport photographs at this time.

## Senior Center Of New Haven Activities

Thurs., Feb. 7 - 11:30 a.m. Frances Brooks; Bingo & Cards

## Senior Center Of New Haven Menu

Thurs., Feb. 7 - Shepherd's pie, 7-layer salad, dessert.

Franklin County Marriage Licenses