

Public Safety Job Fair Saturday

The City of Hartford police, fire and dispatch departments will hold a Public Safety Career Fair on Saturday, February 12, from 9am - 3 pm at the Metzner Center, 680 Franklin Avenue. For more information, email to: JoinHPD@hartford.gov or call 860-757-4242.

Yard Goats Job Fair February 19

Hartford Yard Goats will be having a job fair for gameday staff positions for the upcoming season on Saturday, February 19, from 10am - 1 pm at Dunkin Donuts Park, 1214 Main Street, Hartford. Positions include ticket sellers, concession staff and more. Apply at YardGoatsBaseball.com, and then click "contactus" and "employment opportunities."

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Small School, Big Heart

Trinity Academy, a hidden gem in Asylum Hill, brings an individualized style of learning to Hartford students in grades 1-4.

BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

The first thing that stands out during a tour of Trinity Academy, an independent privately-funded elementary school founded in 2014 and housed in the former education center of Trinity Episcopal Church on Sigourney Street at Asylum Avenue, are the spacious and sunlit classrooms, each containing only a smattering of desks. Area rugs, artwork, and shelves of books add bright splashes of color. And then there are the students attired in their forest green school shirts who take their seats at those desks, expectant and eager to get on with the day's academics and enrichment activities. Anijah, who's one of the 11 4th-graders says math is her favorite subject—in fact she "loves" it, and would like to be a math teacher someday—"and the teachers are so nice!" Iris, whose favorite subjects are science and reading, is happy to have made so many good friends at her school. Her classmate Kadiatu proudly introduces herself: "I am the Student



Body president of Trinity Academy", an office that comes with special duties such as doing the announcements every Monday at morning meeting. The school holds an election every year, and campaign posters made by the most recent candidates are still on view in a hallway. In the spacious gymnasium, the 2nd-graders—all 7 of them—are engaged in a spirited game of dodge ball under the watchful eye of their physical education teacher. The 1st-graders—also numbering 7—are lunching at their desks; the kitchen staff prepares the food fresh—a hot meal—every day, along with some donations from the House of Bread. And meanwhile, the 9 3rd-grade students are in the art room.

The school, which is not affiliated with Trinity College or any religion, and is not a part of the Hartford Public School system, offers a

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Demanding Action on Climate Change

On Tuesday, February 8, a coalition of environmental groups held a march of over 100 people from the Old State House to the State Capitol to demand that the state legislature take more aggressive action against climate change. The group's first stop was Everource headquarters on Constitution Plaza. Joe Therrien from the Boxcutter Collective performed as a fictitious Everource executive named "Dr. Frackenstein" trying to explain away company policies that hurt the environment. (Hart photo)

Hartford...Once Upon a Time



1993 was not a good year for Downtown Hartford. Huntington's, considered the oldest continually operating bookstore in the country, closed. G. Fox & Company became Filenes (and shut down soon after). And the Marble Pillar Restaurant on Central Row closed after 133 years in business. The restaurant opened in 1860 as a basement tavern near the corner of Main and Asylum Streets. Women were not allowed. When the Civil War broke out, a U.S. Army sergeant set up a recruiting table inside the tavern. The Marble Pillar soon began to emphasize its food over its drink and found a street level location (above, lower left). In 1939 the restaurant moved to a new building at the corner of Central Row and Prospect Street. The Marble Pillar specialized in German-American food and was a favorite hang-out of leading politicians, including National Democratic Chairman John Bailey and U.S. Senator and Connecticut Governor Abraham Ribicoff. The recession of the early 1990s and the rise of corporate cafeterias were blamed for its demise, but it still lives on in the memories of many long-time city residents. (Photo courtesy of the Hartford History Center at the Hartford Public Library)

NEWS BRIEFS

MARG Monthly Meeting TONIGHT

The Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, February 10, at 6 pm in the lower level of Saint Augustine Church, 10 Campfield Avenue, Hartford. Guest Speakers will be John Philip, City of Hartford Tax Assessor, who will discuss the impact of the recent tax revaluation, and City Council President Maly Rosado and Thea Montanez, City of Hartford Chief Operating Officer, who will discuss the city's possible use of red light cameras. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing. For more information, call Hyacinth Yennie at 860-296-5543.

Parkville Community Meeting Today

The Parkville Business Association will host a community meeting on the present and future of the neighborhood TODAY, February 10, from 4 - 7 pm at Real Art Ways, 56 Arbor Street, Hartford. Scheduled topics include: proposed development along Bartholomew Avenue, jobs and training, and new businesses in the neighborhood.

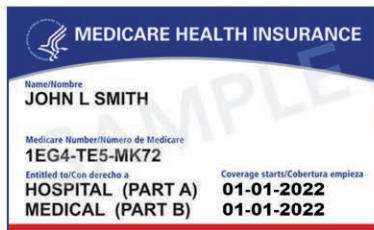
Meeting on Brainard Airport Friday

The Friends of Brainard Airport will host a "Keep Hartford-Brainard Airport Open" Legislative Forum this Friday, February 11, from 3:30 pm - 5:30 pm at St. James Episcopal Church, 1018 Farmington Ave, West Hartford. All welcome. The meeting can also be viewed via Zoom email to Mach1Goon@gmail.com for connection information.

Neighborhood Farm Store this Saturday

Mercado Popular, Hartford's Neighborhood Farm Store will return this Saturday, February 12, from 12 - 4 pm at Hartford Public Library, 500 Main Street, Downtown Hartford. The pop-up store will carry fresh produce such as carrots, turnips, celery, onions, bagged

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH:**December 6th Project Contest Winners**

The National Museum of African-American History and Culture

Last fall, Working Families Party City Councilors Josh Michtom and Wildaliz Bermudez came up with the idea of holding an essay and

visual arts contest for high school students in Hartford on the topic “What does the passage of the 13th Amendment on December 6th, 1865 (the abolition of slavery) mean to you?” Students were invited to submit a one-page essay, poster, painting, photo, video, or poem for consideration by the judges. With the support of the City Council, Congressman John Larson, Hartford Public Schools, Hartford Federation of Teachers, and Beta Sigma Lambda Educational Foundation, the contest was a success, and two winners emerged, both from Hartford Magnet Trinity College Academy. The first-place winner received a \$500 Visa gift card, and the second-place winner a \$300 Visa gift card. In addition, they will also receive a fully-paid trip to Washington D.C. to visit the National Museum of African-American History and Culture, and will be allowed to each bring one parent or guardian as chaperone. (Note: The two winners in the Visual Arts category will be featured in a future issue of the Hartford News).

First Place:**Poetry by Gabrielle Powell, age 15****The 13th Amendment**

Southern trees weep from the terror they’ve seen
black skin is so scarred,
it whispers stories of pain.

The 13th amendment is a promise of freedom,
but the shackles around toughened black and brown
skin tell a different story.

2.12 million people sit in “land of the free” prisons,
as blue suits terrorize our neighborhoods and our people.

N*gger is replaced with Criminal, Thug, and Predator.

Institutions take away our fathers and our brothers
as poverty ravishes the street.

They won’t stop till every one of us is stripped of our
“freedom”.

The 13th amendment feels like a myth,

As the system has simply been rearranged not changed.

A history of hate and inhumanity

can be broken down with love...

but till we face the skeletons in our closet

these shackles will never be broken,

and my skin will always be a threat.

As MLK junior once said “justice delayed is justice denied.”

Second Place:**Essay by Bryana Wilson, age 15**

On a snowy Tuesday morning on January 24, I was born. Bryana Mae Christine Wilson, 7 pounds. Before I even knew what race or racism was, my parents knew I was entering a world that automatically set me at a disadvantage. Before I was even born, my parents worked twice as hard to make sure I could become more successful than they could ever dream.

In 1996, my mother walked down the aisle and became Mrs. Wilson. My parents were two black students who graduated from Loma Linda University. Both were the children of immigrants whose families worked hard to get them to college. Although written over 150 years ago, the 13th Amendment is what fueled their dreams, and what continues to fuel millions of dreams for people of color, including my own.

Without the abolition of slavery, my parents would not have had the chance to chase their American dream. Together, they used their degrees to open their own dental office in West Hartford, Connecticut. They wanted to fight for their place in society and fight for places for their children. What started as a small dental practice turned into a dental office that was booked out months in advance with thousands of patients. Then, through the Covid-19 Pandemic, they were able to open a second practice in downtown Hartford and continue to grow their businesses.

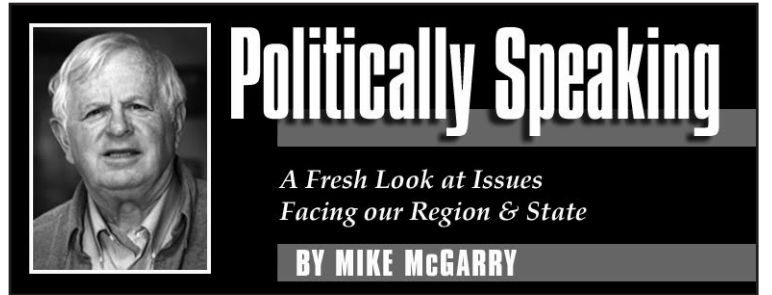
However, the drive my parents have would not have been enough for them to succeed in the 1850s. An education would have been close to impossible to obtain and when enslaved, African Americans were only labeled as 3/5ths of a person. When that amendment was ratified on December 6, 1865, I wonder if those in power knew the impact that a piece of legislation would have over millions of stories and legacies. It gave people of color a dream. Freedom was finally ours according to the US Constitution. But for many African Americans, freedom was not completely theirs.

My parents went to Loma Linda dental school in the 1990s, over 100 years after the 13th Amendment was ratified. My mother was told by her white professors that because of her skin color, practicing dental hygiene would be difficult, and that she would have to work twice as hard as her white counterparts. My father was 1 of 2 black students out of a class of 103 people in dental school. Thirty-five years earlier, his mother was refused service at a restaurant in Maryland because of the color of her skin.

These are just a few of my family’s stories, but I know there are more. As a country, we cannot ignore these stories because these legacies shape our everyday lives. We need to honor our past, whether it is from hundreds of years ago or the stories that are from our parents’ generation. “You die twice. Once when you take your final breath, and then again the last time someone says your name.”-Banksy.

My story includes the 13th amendment, and most importantly includes my grandparents’ and parents’ legacies. I will not let my family die twice.

As a community, it is our responsibility to preserve the past and write our own history books. I have my future in front of me, and my only goal is to add to what my parents and their parents have started. When you see a person who looks like you succeeding, you know it is possible. That is what my parents have done for me and what I want to show my community. I want every American to know that we have come a long way from December 6, 1865. I want my community to know my parents’ story and know that it is possible. It motivates me, and I know it can motivate others.

**The Coming Rental Disaster**

A woman who has lived and worked in the West End of Hartford recently informed your correspondent that her rent went from \$700 to \$1,500. A local merchant on Farmington Avenue remarked that he has lost customers because they had to move due to hefty rent increases.

But this is only the tip of the iceberg. Rising heating costs, higher electric bills, food prices rising...and now, unless something changes, taxes going through the roof from higher assessments (46% is the average of the increase).

Add to all this the influx of investors who expect to make money on their investments in Hartford. If they paid a premium price for a property, and many did, obviously they want to recoup their investment and, yes, make money on their money.

Will Section 8 catch up with many of the increases? Where will the tenants come from if long-time residents are moving out in large numbers? Then, what happens if

landlords find many of their apartments vacant? We may see less expenditure on maintenance and repairs. We may see evictions and/or rent strikes. We may lose valuable citizens to the lure of the South (see commercials for South Carolina on TV). And not only well-to-do homeowners are thinking of pulling up stakes, but those who see no future in over-priced Connecticut and have little roots to bind them here (i.e. newly graduated young people who are just starting out).

Some city council members say it’s those greedy landlords who will take the hit, so go ahead and let them have it. The truth is, rising costs are usually passed on to tenants. Many of our new landlords are not local people renting out the family home to pay for their retirement. One lawyer gave this wave of out-of-towners what he felt was a compliment, “They’re sharp operators.” They may be sharp, all right, but who will be on the cutting edge?

City Council Meeting, Public Comment on Monday, February 14

City Council will hold a public comment session and meeting on Monday, February 14, at City Hall, 550 Main Street.

The Public comment session will start at 6 pm, the council meeting will follow at approximately 7 pm. Both will be available for viewing on www.hpatv.org, HPA TV Facebook Page, Comcast/Xfinity Channel 96, or Frontier Channel 6032 GOV. Residents can sign up to speak for public comment at City Hall or by reaching out to David Grant (860) 757-9738 or david.grant@hartford.gov.

The deadline to register for virtual public comment is 5:20 pm, Monday, February 14. Once signed up, participants will be given the Zoom meeting details and will be asked to sign/call-in by 5:45pm for further instructions.

Language interpreter(s) for the hearing impaired can be made available if requested in advance. The agenda for this Council meeting was compiled by the Town Clerk’s office and can be accessed by clicking <https://hartford.civicweb.net/Portal/MeetingInformation.aspx?Id=79>

Creativity in the Time of Covid

A timely new exhibit, “Creativity in the Time of Covid,” is now on display at the Clare Gallery, located in the Franciscan Center for Urban Ministry, 285 Church Street, Downtown Hartford. The exhibit will run through February 26.

“Creativity in the Time of Covid” presents works of art and creativity produced during the past year or works of reflection created in response. They are

personal with a variety of emotions and stories. Along with the work the artists were asked three questions to ponder. They have shared their written responses with answers to the questions or an artist statement or have chosen not to use words at all which is perfectly fine too—some answers have not yet revealed themselves.

Participating artists include: Paul

Abramo, Janet Bristow, James Boyle, Kelly Burns, Michael Burns, Kathy Butler, Luba Eusko, John Fisher, Mark Fox, Nora Fox, Daniel

Guarnieri, Saoirse Guarnieri, Irene Hilbert, Nancy Olivia Hoffmann, Stan Klaneski, Calla Kremidas, Seema Mavumkal, Stacie Mawson, Lisa Ochoa, Beverly Pierz, John Wentland, and Nancy Wynn

Two, hour-long virtual discussions and Q&A will be held on February 17 @ 6-7 p.m. and February 24 @ 7-8 p.m. All are welcome to attend, discuss, share, and listen.

To Join the Discussion

Registration Link: February 17: <https://bit.ly/3odOXVM>

Registration Link: February 24: <https://bit.ly/3gbXsMQ>

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So Long, Clare

Longtime Community Activist Clare Murphy Passes

BY ANDY HART

To thousands of Hartford kids, including me, she was simply Miss Murphy, the kind and caring school nurse. But to many elected officials and city employees in Hartford, she was a tireless and skilled fighter for neighborhood causes.

In a time when research meant digging through paper records and transcripts for hours, not just a few minutes on the internet, Clare put in the hours, and it showed. When she said something, you could be sure she had the facts to back it up. I can clearly remember once, back in the 1990s, I was down at City Hall to



Clare Murphy (center) at a neighborhood clean-up in 2007, sponsored by the Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG). Clare was instrumental in turning the organization into one of the most active and influential NRZs in the city. (Hart photo)

meet with a high-ranking city official. But first he had to discuss a matter with Clare. Their discussion was Clare Murphy at her finest. Every time the official questioned a fact Clare had stated, she'd reach into her folder and pull out a document proving herself right. Every time he said there were any records of something, she'd reach into the folder again and show him the record in question. At the conclusion of the interview, he said, "Clare, can you leave that folder behind so we can make copies? You appear to have more complete records than the City of Hartford does." But Clare wasn't out to "get" anyone. She just want do do what she felt was best for her neighborhood and her city.

To accomplish this, she was an active member of several community groups, most notably the Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) and Hartford Areas Rally Together (HART). Former HART President Peg Stewart said Clare, "was my hero, my role model. She was fearless, she was funny and she never quit, she was like a bulldog...People trusted her, they knew she cared. That's why she could get people together for a meeting or a rally just about any time she wanted." MARG President Hyacinth Yennie also worked with Clare on many issues and causes through the years. "She was a giant, a true giant. She knew how to get things done and she did them. Many of us are still benefiting from her efforts on behalf of the South End and the whole city."

OBITUARY

Clare T. Murphy, most recently of Burke, VA, formerly of Hartford, CT, entered into the Lord's embrace Wednesday, February 2, 2022. Born in Hartford, she was the daughter of the late John J. and Elizabeth (Farrell) Murphy. She graduated from Mt. St. Joseph Academy and St. Joseph's College. Clare worked for many years within the Hartford School system as a nurse before her retirement.

Always interested in her community, Clare was very proud of her many years of community activism in H.A.R.T., Hartford Areas Rally Together, and other organizations. Whether sifting through records at city hall, watching for problems in her South West neighborhood, supervising community cleanups, or trying to make the communities of Hartford safer, no job was too big or too small for Clare to get involved. Clare was recognized as an outstanding Hartford senior who was strongly committed to her peers. She is survived by a niece, Joanne Fantini, and two nephews, John Fantini, and Michael Fantini, his wife Anne, and their children, Elizabeth and husband Wesley Brinkman, Michael, Jr., and Anneliese. In addition to her parents, she is predeceased by her sisters, Elizabeth M. Fantini, Patricia M. Murphy, and Maura C. Murphy.

Funeral Services will be held Friday, February 11, 2022. Friends and relatives may call on the family from 8:30-9:30am at the Farley Sullivan Funeral Home, 34 Beaver Rd, Wethersfield, leaving at 9:30am from the funeral home to a Mass of Christian Burial at 10am in Saint Augustine Church, 10 Campfield Ave, Hartford. Burial will follow at Mt. St. Benedict Cemetery, 1 Cottage Grove Rd, Bloomfield. Memorial donations may be made to LaSalette Mission Guild, 85 New Park Ave, Hartford, CT, 06106. To extend condolences, please visit Farleysullivan.com.



Senator Murphy Stops by Bros Dough

Eight-month-old Elijah St. Juste (left) listens in while his father Walden St. Juste (center), co-owner of Bro's Dough Pizza on New Britain Avenue, talks with U.S. Senator Chris Murphy on Friday, February 4. Murphy, a resident of Charter Oak Avenue in Hartford, came by the pizza place to find out first-hand how small businesses are coping with the COVID-19 pandemic as it nears its two-year anniversary. And to order lunch! (Hart photo)

Martin's Market Opens at MLK School

Students at Martin Luther King, Jr Middle School recently opened Martin's Market. The Market provides food, health & hygiene items and winter accessories free to MLK students and families at the school.

Students in the 7th grade came up with the idea for the market as part of their advocacy work with Advocacy to Legacy, Inc. Students were asked to identify things they wish to change in their school or community or ideas they wish to pursue. Students chose this project because they realized that some of their peers were in need. One student said "some kids and their families are in need of food" over the weekends and holidays.

The idea was accepted by the school because the students committed to doing the work. Students identified the items the market should carry and found funding to purchase the first items. Students will manage the market and are also responsible for finding ways to keep the market stocked.

Anthony T, a student, said "This market will help kids and families. I will help with the market by helping keep it clean and bring stuff in".

How You Can Help

Martin's Market is currently seeking doantions from the public to help stock the market. Food items needed are non-perishable or items students can make themselves, hygiene items identified were hand sanitizers, lotion, chap sticks, deodorant & feminine items. Winter accessories include hats, gloves, socks and scarves. Gently used clean coats are also welcome.

Items can be dropped off at Advocacy to Legacy's office at 1229 Albany Ave, Htd Mondays

4-6 or by appointment or at MLK during school hours. Principal Doreen Crawford, PhD said, "The success of our students depends on a strong partnership between school and home."

For more information call, 860-930-2508 or email advocacytolegacy@gmail.com.

The program is sponsored in part by Advocacy to Legacy, Inc, West Indian Foundation, City of Hartford Unity Summer Grant, The Village for Families & Children, and Martin Luther King, Jr Middle School.

Winter Wear for Those in Need

On Wednesday, February 16, Hartford Public Library's Dwight Branch, 7 New Park Avenue (corner of Park Street), will host a free distribution of cozy and warm winter essentials including; gloves, hats, socks and more! The items will be given to those in need from 2 - 4 pm or until supplies last. For more information, contact Dwight Branch Manager Liz Matias at (860) 695-7460.

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Free COVID-19 Test Distribution at Mount Moriah

Volunteers from New Mount Moriah Baptist Church, 222 Barbour Street, Hartford, take a break from handing out free COVID-19 home test kits and N95 masks to Hartford residents on Saturday, February 5. Church Pastor Hugh Brooks is at front, third from right. The free distribution was held in partnership with the State of Connecticut and the City of Hartford. (Hart photo)

Urban League Black History Month Celebration Feb. 17

On Thursday, February 17th from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., the Urban League of Greater Hartford will host its 2022 Annual Black History Month Celebration, "A Legacy Revealed – One Nation. One Assignment," from 6 pm - 7:30 pm. This virtual experience, streamed digitally on YouTube and Facebook, will showcase the achievements and contributions of African-American, Afro-Caribbean, and Afro-Latino cul-

tures in the Capital Region with an interactive virtual exhibit, inspiring entertainment, and the 2022 Legacy Honors awards ceremony to honor local residents.

Legacy Honors 2022 Awardees

- Community Activist Award – Hyacinth Yennie, Hartford South End Community Activist;

- Social Impact Award – Joel Hicks-Rivera, Senior Community Impact Officer, Hartford Foundation for Public Giving;
- Public Service Award – Faith Palmer, Operations Manager, City of Hartford Dept. of Health & Human Services;
- Entrepreneurial Spirit Award – Kevin Joiner, Esq., Business Owner, KBARR; and
- Generation Next Award – Zena Lewis, a Junior at Southern Connecticut State University.

The February 17th virtual event, which will also include music, poetry, and dance performances, is free and will be livestreamed on Social Media @ulgh64; on Facebook, www.facebook.com/ulgh64; at https://fb.me/e/1bQ7dQTUI; and on YouTube: https://bit.ly/ulghblack-history2022

Donate to Foodshare for the St. Patrick's Day Parade

The 50th Greater Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade will be held on Saturday, March 12. This year, families who donate \$50 to foodshare will be able to march in a special section of the parade and their family name will be printed on a sign they can wave to those lining the parade route. All donations will be forwarded to Foodshare to support the food insecurity needs of our neighbors here in Greater Hartford. Mail checks - payable to CCCCC - to: Central Connecticut Celtic Cultural Committee, P.O. Box 1273, Glastonbury, CT 06033. Please include the contact information for the person who will participate in the parade. Deadline is March 2. For more information contact Jim Moriarty at jmoriarty1016@yahoo.com.

HARTFORD ENTERTAINMENT CALENDAR

On-Site: A Dance Event

Friday and Saturday, February 11 and 12, 7:30 p.m., Goodwin Theater, Austin Arts Center, Trinity College, 200 Summit Street, Hartford. The Trinity College Department of Theater and Dance and AAC will present the Spring 2022 dance concert. Student dancers enrolled in the J-term Community Learning course 'Dance Performance Studio' worked with choreographers Ginette Christie, Rebecca Pappas, and Arien Wilkerson—who all have ties with the local community. Each choreographer is presenting a work performed by students and a professional piece. Content warning: This production includes strong language, profanity, vulgarity, and content related to queer sex, death, depression, and existential dread. Please note there are small exposures of bare body in this performance. For tickets, go to: https://www.showtix4u.com/event-details/60498.



Disney's Encanto at Science Center

Saturday, February 19; Sunday, February 20; Monday, February 21; Saturday, March 12; and Sunday, March 13, 2 - 4 pm. Connecticut Science Center, 250 Columbus Blvd., Hartford. Walt Disney Animation Studios "Encanto" tells the tale of an extraordinary family, the Madrigals who live hidden in the mountains of Colombia, in a magical house, in a vibrant town, in a wondrous, charmed place called Encanto. The magic of the Encanto has blessed every child in the family with a unique gift from super strength to the power to heal – every child except one, Mirabel (voice of Stephanie Beatriz). Bit when she discovers that the magic surrounding the Encanto is in danger, Mirabel decides that she, the ordinary Madrigal, might just be her exceptional family's last hope. A separate add-on ticket is required for all 3D movies and stage shows. Reserve your ticket today at CTScienceCenter.org.

Baby Grand Jazz: Trevor Davis' Jazz Affair

Sunday, February 13, 3:00 pm. Hartford Public Library, 500 Main Street, Downtown Hartford. By age 17 Trevor was playing drums professionally five nights a week with a regionally successful rock band, one of whose members went on to lead the Saturday Night Live studio band and serve as band director for David Bowie, Bob Dylan and George Harrison (GE Smith). After a year of steady gigs, it was on to study and record jazz with a big band at Johnson State College, now Northern Vermont University, and following that a period of freelancing back in central Connecticut when he played live and studio sessions and with dozens of different bands at every imaginable venue from clubs to country clubs to country western clubs, and the full range of private social events. He currently plays with multiple jazz and Dixieland bands, and for the Baby Grand Jazz Series will be focussed on beautiful melodies, using Connecticut's own Doug Schlink on piano, Steve Bulmer on double bass, John Smayda on reeds and Ricky Alfonso on trumpet.

Mapping our Roots

Tuesday, February 22 at 12 PM. Virtual event. The February public presentation from the CT Freedom Trail series will be a conversation with the Honorable Toni N. Harp and Alfred Marder, entitled "Mapping our Roots: The History and Purpose of the Connecticut Freedom Trail." Alfred Marder is the "Architect" of the Connecticut Freedom Trail. It was Al's idea and vision to bring together people and institutions from all corners of the state to commemorate and designate sites connected to history related to slavery, abolition, and the contributions of African Americans in Connecticut. The conversation will be available on Facebook Live.

Low-key Creative Cocktail Hour

Thursday, February 17 at 6pm, Real Artways (RAW), 56 Arbor Street, Hartford. RAW is going low-key this month for its famous Creative Cocktail Hour. DJ James Hall, aka Mr. Realistic, will be setting a cool, chill vibe. The event will also include opening receptions for art exhibitions by Peter Waite, Ken Morgan and Elizabeth Flood, food from the East/West Food Truck and drink from the RAW bar. Admission: \$15 at the door; \$10 Real Art Ways members and bicyclists; RAW members on bikes get in free.



Free Zumba Classes

Every Tuesday, 5:30 - 6:30 pm, Arroyo Recreation Center, Pope Park, Hartford. Zumba is the fun way to dance and exercise your way to health. Go at your own pace, meet new friends and have fun. Instructors are Melissa Yennie-St. Juste and Jovanni Stewart. Free and all are welcome.



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Diamond Anniversary on Summit Street

Trinity College radio marks 75 years of broadcasting

BY PAULA ZEINER

It all started in a tiny corner of Jarvis Hall on February 26, 1947. Four students, huddled around a single microphone, a couple of turntables and a homemade transmitter, produced the first show. A Student vocal group, The Pipes, performed live on air and then Trinity President G. Keith Funston addressed the listening audience. The signal carried only 42 feet but it was the beginning of what would sustain and evolve over the course of 75 years--a viable and distinguished student run radio station: WRTC 89.3 FM.

Early on, equipment was scarce and infrastructure unusual. The campus electrical wiring was used to facilitate transmission. Live programming continued throughout this challenging period and included interviews with celebrities such as Patti Page and Stan Kenton.

Eventually the station acquired a professional console, a used FM transmitter, and a teletype machine. In 1956 the FCC approved WRTC as a noncommercial educational operation. With ongoing support from the college for basic overhead expenses, the station's management, staff, and volunteers set out to make WRTC one of the best college radio stations in the region.

From the earliest, WRTC was cutting edge. In the days of vinyl records, it secured the latest releases, sometimes before they were available in stores. When distinguished guests visited the campus, WRTC got the interview. In 1962 Robert Frost addressed 1,200 students at the Field House. Station engineers recorded the speech and shared it with the Boston-based Educational Radio Network, allowing thousands more to hear the words of the revered poet. Trinity became co-ed in 1969 and the first female student went on the air in 1972. That all male vocal ensemble, The Pipes, heard on the station's first broadcast still exists. Self-described as the oldest a cappella group on campus (and the nation!), The Pipes are now also co-ed.

Throughout its history, WRTC has been recognized for community-based projects. It was first in New England to broadcast faculty lectures to city high schools. Known as "Classrooms Unlimited" the program was noticed by The New York Times which likened radio to a "teaching aid...competing with television in Hartford." WRTC sponsored a yearlong training program for city high school students, preparing them for FCC exams and potential careers in broadcasting. And In 1975 WRTC, aligned with WFSB-TV, offered 30-minute weeknight

broadcasts in Spanish.

The station gradually transitioned into a predominantly all music format. Currently there are approximately 65 shows, staffed with student volunteers, faculty, and community members. It's on the air 24/7, with rare interruptions and can be heard throughout metro-Hartford and streaming via



the web at www.wrtcfm.com Musical content is sorted by genre and runs the gamut from hip-hop to classical to punk to blues, soul, jazz, country, and more. The weekly schedule allots time for community affairs programming.

WRTC is a student organization through and through. According to General Manager, Chris Cowles, "Students literally have control over the airwaves." Any student, after proper training, can be on the air, with the time slot, theme, or content of their choice. Community members can also present an idea for a show, but approval isn't automatic.

Trinity student Maura Keary '22, exemplifies the pervasive influence students can and do have at WRTC. Along with Alex Chambers '22, Maura co-hosts Bantam Backroads, Mondays 6-7:30 p.m. Maura conceived and successfully pitched the novel country music show 3 years ago. She credits her on-air impromptu comments as significantly improving her public speaking ability. She also acts as the station's Budget Manager, and expects the skills and experience gained through her service to WRTC will serve her well in the future.

WRTC operates with a governing student Executive Board and the station's only paid staff, Cowles and the chief engineer. The E-Board sets policy and manages the finances. The college provides some support, but much of WRTC's revenue comes from listener donations made during an annual fundraiser. The GM oversees day-to-day operations and ensures compliance with all FCC legal and regulatory requirements. Along with a faculty advisor, all the above work together on all matters of planning.

One strategic plan, years in the making, will soon be a reality. WRTC will "break ground" on a new studio in April. Architectural renderings show a flexible, functional, and comfortable space with state-of-the-art technology that will greatly enhance broadcasting options.

Trinity College President Joanne Berger-Sweeney recently acknowledged the anniversary and congratulated the entire WRTC team on its 75 years of successful continuous operation. "WRTC's rich history, innovative programming, and commitment to representing diverse styles of music and culture exemplify the values of Trinity College, and makes our campus community incredibly proud."

Tentative plans for commemorative remote broadcasts and celebrations throughout 2022 remain on hold due to the pandemic. Listeners can find out the latest programming highlights and anniversary-related events by checking the station website, wrtcfm.com or tuning in to 89.3.

With thanks to Chris Cowles, General Manager WRTC FM, for his assistance with this article.



Soulful Sundays at Hog River

Hog River Brewing Co., 1429 Park Street (corner of Bartholomew Avenue), Hartford, opened its Soulful Sundays series on Sunday, February 6. The new series of events features live music and a wide array of Black-owned businesses selling their wares. Among the many vendors last Sunday was Keith Bolling of SpiroSoul hand-decorated clothing. Music was provided by a jazz trio composed of Jonathan Barber (drums), Matt Dwonszyk (bass) and Michael Carabello (keyboards). The series will continue next Sunday, February 13, and close on Sunday, February 27. Soulful Sunday will not be held on Sunday, February 20, as the brewery is having its annual 3rd Annual Homebrew Competition. Vendors on Sunday, February 13, are Big up Brew (coffee); Je T'aime Cupcakes; Soulfully Vegan Food Truck; Nathia by Nathia Wray (clothing); Warm Jungle Vintage (ceramic, plants, vintage); A Clay Zone (aromatherapy clay); Nabii Organics (organic wellness products); Tony's Smoking Again (BBQ rubs/seasonings); and SpirloSoul (clothing). Music will be provided by the Matt Dwonszyk Duo. Vendors on Sunday, February 27 will include: Big up Brew (coffee); Amazing Ackee (vegan patties); Je T'aime Cupcakes; Humillity LLC (organic supplements & skincare); Light Encounters (jewelry); A Clay Zone (aromatherapy clay); SpirloSoul (clothing); Nabii Organics (organic wellness products); and Tizeda Spices (Jamaican spice blends). Music by the Nick DiMaria Band.

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Donations Sought for Community Garden

Spring is just around the corner and Kamora's Cultural Corner's Sterling Street Sanctuary and Nature Conservancy is seeking persons to sponsor raised garden beds for the upcoming growing season. Go to <https://tinyurl.com/2p952p9k> to help out.

Trinity Academy

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private school-level education with a 5-to-1 student-teacher ratio free to low-income families, 90% of whom are Hartford residents. Their mission statement is “is to educate students in a nurturing and inclusive environment with a focus on intensive academics, the arts, literacy, and critical thinking, and to help students to develop the strong core skills needed to grow socially, emotionally and culturally.” The student body is Black, Latino, and Asian, including three students from a refugee camp in Burma, who are among the 25% of English Language Learners (ELL) in Trinity’s student population. Principal Allison Bernhard said that the latest MAP testing,

measuring achievement in mathematics and reading, showed that the students had completed 60% of the requirements in the first semester. Maria Bastone, the Reading Specialist, talked about her work environment. “I love how small it is—a community—we know the families. I feel like I’m making a difference.” Trinity Academy does not receive any federal, state, or city funding. Jeff Strole is on the Board of Directors, and is Chair of the Development Committee dedicated to fundraising. “Our annual operating budget is \$550,000 a year. Before COVID, contributions came mainly during our annual gala. Unlike other organizations that seek—and expect—donors writing checks for thousands of dollars, we’re grateful for even \$250.”

A typical school day at Trinity Academy goes like this:

- Drop off: 8:15 am for breakfast

- Class Begins: 8:30 am with Morning Meeting
- Daily Gym Class
- Writer’s Workshop
- Morning Recess
- Reader’s Workshop
- Lunch
- Math
- Spotlight Chair
- Silent Reading
- Afternoon Recess
- Social Studies
- Science
- Creative Thinking
- Specials
- Dismissal Time: 3:25 pm

The school ascribes to several ‘core values’ for its students: responsibility, grit, appreciation, respect, kindness, leadership, community, and integrity, with the focus on a different one every month. For February 2022, it’s “integrity”. As it is also Black History month, I spoke with four students about who they’re studying and what they’re learning about that history. The responses mentioned Rosa Parks, Martin Luther King, Harriet Tubman, and Abraham Lincoln. They’ve also been watching videos about Black characters who triumph over racism, like “Remember the Titans”. Many

of the school’s graduates go on to attend middle school in Hartford at Grace Academy (girls) and Covenant Preparatory (boys), both of which operate and educate very similarly to Trinity Academy. From there, some have received full scholarships to private secondary schools, including Miss Porter’s, Hotchkiss, Ethel Walker, Northwest Catholic, The Westminster School, Watkinson School, Mercy High School, and others attend area CREC Magnet high schools.

Principal Bernhard mentioned that she hopes for the school to increase enrollment to 50 students. There is a wealth of information about Trinity Academy on their web page, trinityday.org, including downloadable applications, a full overview of the curriculum including all the enrichment programs and specials, school history, an overview of the faculty, annual report, testimonials from graduates and families, MAP testing results, and much more.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Jessie P. Baker (22-00005)

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated January 31, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Carmen Y. Zayas,
Clerk

The fiduciary is:
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P.O. Box 280225,
East Hartford, CT 06128

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Stuart Cohen, AKA Stuart L. Cohen (21-01180)

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated December 28, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Carmen Y. Zayas,
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The fiduciary is:
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Court of Probate, Hartford Regional Children's Probate Court District

NOTICE TO Pedro A. Feliz, whose last known address is unknown to the court.

Angel M. Felix, whose last known address is unknown to the court.

Pursuant to an order of Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge, a hearing will be held at Hartford Regional Children’s Probate Court, 250 Constitution Plaza, 3rd Floor, Hartford, CT 06103 on March 7, 2022 at 11:00 AM on a petition for Temporary Custody Pending Removal of Guardian concerning a certain minor child born on July 17, 2012. The court’s decision will affect your interest, if any, as in the petition on file more fully appears.

RIGHT TO COUNSEL: If the above-named person wishes to have an attorney, but is unable to pay for one, the court will provide an attorney upon proof of inability to pay. Any such request should be made immediately by contacting the court office where the hearing is to be held.

By order of the court
Amanda Zinkerman,
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Amanda Zinkerman,
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Yard Goats Individual Game Tickets go on Sale February 18th

The Hartford Yard Goats Baseball Club, the Double-A affiliate of the Colorado Rockies, announced that individual game tickets for the 2022 regular season will go on sale on Friday, February 18th at 10:00 AM. Tickets for all home games at Dunkin’ Donuts Park will be available to purchase on the Yard Goats website (yardgoatsbaseball.com), or over the phone (860-246-4628), and all tickets will be delivered digitally. The Click-It-Or-Ticket Box office is open from Monday-Friday (10AM-5PM). The 2022 Yard Goats promotional schedule will be announced on February 15th. Season tickets, group tickets, and ticket packages are now available along with reservations for a luxury suite.

Opening Day is Friday, April 8th at 7:05 PM as the Yard Goats host the New York Mets affiliate, the Binghamton Rumble Ponies at Dunkin’ Donuts Park. It is just the second time that the Yard Goats have opened the season in Hartford. The Yard Goats play 15 home games against Binghamton (April

8th-10th, May 3rd-8th, June 28-July 3rd), 12 home games against the Red Sox affiliate Portland (May 10th-15th, July 26th-31st), and 12 home games against the Yankees affiliate Somerset (April 19th-24th, September 6th-11th).

Dunkin’ Donuts Park is a cashless/contactless venue. Gift and credit/debit cards will be accepted at the Box Office, Yard Goats Team Store, and food and beverage locations.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Mryna Chisholm (21-00966)

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated February 1, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Carmen Y. Zayas,
Clerk

The fiduciary is:
Chad Maurice Chisholm
c/o Keith Alan Yagaloff, Keith
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Bonnie P. DeGray (21-01287)

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated February 7, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Carmen Y. Zayas,
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The fiduciary is:
Lucinda DeGray-Rose,
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spinach and lettuce, herbs, breads, eggs and other items, such as vegan patties, fresh juices, hot sauce and teas. Those wishing to stay socially distanced can get curbside pick-up. Additional markets will be held on February 12 and 26. For more information, email: mer-cadopopct@gmail.com.

Race Walking Clinic February 12

A team of international racewalkers and coaches will host a clinic on the sport on Saturday, February 12, from 10 – 11:30 am at the Swift Factory, 60 Love Lane, Hartford. This is a USA Track and Field, CT Association Event. Learn race walking technique for fitness and competition. This clinic is free for USATF members, \$15.00 for non-members. Registration is at 9:30 AM, pay at the door. Contact Coach Carson to reserve a spot and for more information 860 462-2150.

Dominican Flag Raising Feb. 27

Connecticut's Dominican community will celebrate 178 of independence for their homeland with a double flag-raising on Sunday, February 27. The first will be held at 12 noon at the State Capitol, 210 Capitol Avenue, and the second at 1:00 pm at Hartford City Hall, 550 Main Street. A celebration will follow at Hartford Public Library's Park Branch, 603 Park

Street, starting at 2:30 pm. All events are free and open to the public. For more information, contact Juan Tejada at 860-995-8214 or Cirilo Bonilla at 860-920-9786.

5th District Special Election March 1

A special election for state representative of Connecticut's 5th Assembly District will be held Tuesday, March 1, 2022. The seat, which consists of portions of Hartford and Windsor, became vacant on January 10, 2022, following the resignation of Brandon L. McGee Jr. McGee left the post on January 7 for a top position in the re-election campaign of Governor Ned Lamont.

HartBeat Ensemble Paid Internships

Do you know a young adult age 16 to 21 who is interested in theater? Let them know about #HartBeatEnsemble's Youth Play Institute PAID Theater Internships! Learn more here: <https://bit.ly/3JdTT1x>. Interview dates: Feb 14, 16 & 19. To schedule, email: ypi@hartbeatensemble.org. Located at 360 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, HartBeat Ensemble's mission is to create provocative theater that connects our community beyond traditional barriers of race, gender, class and geography.

Sonia Plumb Dance Company Classes

The Sonia Plumb Dance Company will resume in-person

classes for the public this Monday, February 7. Classes will be held in the company's new studios in the old GFOX building, 960 Main Street, Hartford. Classes are held Monday through Friday in the morning starting at 9am and in the evening at 4:15 pm. Drop-in classes available. To register for a class, go to: <https://dancestudio-pro.com/online/schoolofspdc>. Parking is available in the Morgan Street parking lot, Morgan Street Garage or on the street. At this time all visitors must enter via Market Street. Please make your way to the 5th Floor and follow the signs. Registration is required 24 hours in advance. On-line options available for some classes.

Journey Writers Present I Put A Spell On You

On Saturday, February 26, at 7:00 pm, Journey Writers, Inc. will present "I Put A Spell On You," a virtual dramatic reading of LGBTQ historical figures of African American origin. The presentation will challenge audience members to take another look at these polarized and popular personalities who aren't traditionally presented during Black History Month. The cultural contributions of these heroes and sheroes, including, James Baldwin, Lorraine Hansberry, Langston Hughes, and Nina Simone go without question. They will be presented in the full context of who they were and the times they lived in. "I Put A Spell On You" can be viewed

online on the Journey Writers YouTube page or on the group's website: JourneyWriters.org.

\$500 Grand Prize for Hartford Creative Contest

Hartford students will have an opportunity to win a \$500 grand prize in this year's Hartford Creative Contest. The contest is open to all Hartford residents, grades 4 – 12, as well as non-Hartford residents attending Hartford schools. Submit your entry through the form on website hartfordcontest.com or email to info@hartfordcontest.com. Submissions may also be mailed or hand delivered to: Hartford Youth Essay Contest c/o Beckett Law LLC 543 Prospect Avenue Hartford, CT 06105. There are three categories Essays/ Poetry/ Visual Art and three grade-based sub-categories: grades 4 – 6, 7 – 9, and 10 – 12. Go to <https://hartfordcontest.com/> for more info. Deadline for submissions is March 7.

Webinar Series on City Government Continues Feb. 19

Next month, Hartford NEXT will begin hosting a webinar series entitled "It's Your City." The series will focus on Hartford City government, how it works, how it impacts our lives and how residents can get involved.

- February 19, 2022 10:00 - 11:30 am: Our Health, Wellbeing & Quality of Life. Panelists: Michael Looney,

Director, Department of Public Works; Liany Arroyo, Director Department of Health & Human Services. To register: <https://tinyurl.com/bdh5cp33>

- March 5, 2022 10:00 am - 11:30 am: Children, Youth & Recreation. Panelist: Kim Oliver, Department Head, Families, Children, Youth and Recreation. To register: <https://tinyurl.com/rewx2d6m>
- March 19, 2022 10:00 am - 11:30 am: Public Safety. Panelists: Police Chief Jason Thody; Fire Chief Rodney Barco; Sue Webster, Emergency Services Department Head. To register: <https://tinyurl.com/2vmctnbs>

NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Derrick Bellamy (22-00134)

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS ESTATE OF Jubenise G. Gaither, AKA Jubenise Gloria Gaither (22-00129)

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Carmen Y. Zayas, Clerk

The fiduciary is: Elizabeth A. Crawford, 394 Garden Street, Hartford, CT 06112

El Informativo Latino



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William Mercado comerciante por más de 50 años en la ciudad de Hartford. Celebrando su cumpleaños, les deseamos muchas felicidades lo reconocemos como el comerciante de mes. By Iris Rodríguez

Lamont podrán fin al mandato del uso mascarillas escolares en todo el estado el 28 de febrero

El gobernador Ned Lamont anunció el lunes que el 28 de febrero pondrá fin al mandato estatal de mascarillas en escuelas y guarderías en Connecticut.

La decisión después de eso dependerá de los distritos escolares individuales, dijo el gobernador Lamont. Requisitos de mascarilla facial en CT

Actualmente, Connecticut requiere que todos usen mascarillas en los centros de atención médica, los centros que albergan poblaciones vulnerables, el trans-

porte público y privado, los centros correccionales, las escuelas y las guarderías.

Las empresas y las oficinas gubernamentales estatales y locales tienen la opción de exigir que todos usen mascarillas en sus establecimientos y los líderes municipales tienen la opción de exigir que todos usen mascarillas en lugares públicos cerrados, independientemente del estado de vacunación dentro de sus respectivos pueblos y ciudades. By Iris Rodríguez

Gob. Lamont propone \$336 millones en recortes de impuestos para los residentes de Connecticut

El gobernador Ned Lamont dio a conocer su primer paquete de propuestas para la próxima sesión legislativa que incluye una serie de recortes de impuestos que, dijo, brindarán alrededor de \$336 millones en alivio a los residentes del estado.

El gobernador demócrata dijo el miércoles que está proponiendo los recortes de impuestos porque el estado está proyectando un superávit operativo de \$1,480 millones, que dijo que permitiría una reducción significativa en los ingresos únicos incluidos en el presupuesto aprobado.

“Cuando asumí el cargo hace tres años, Connecticut tenía un déficit de \$3.7 mil millones con déficits proyectados para muchos años por venir, y por el bien de nuestro futuro económico me comprometí a revertir esa inestabilidad y fortalecer la salud fiscal de nuestro estado”, dijo Lamont. “Hoy, Connecticut tiene un superávit, y lo hicimos sin aumentos de impuestos de base amplia, y mientras realizamos una inversión histórica en nuestras obligaciones de pensión y dejamos intacto el fondo para emergencias”.

Dijo que la salud fiscal del estado es “más fuerte de lo que ha sido en décadas”.

“Le pedí a nuestros analistas presupuestarios que calcularan algunos números para determinar cómo podemos reducir los impuestos de una manera realista que no impacte negativamente en la sólida posición fiscal que hemos creado, mientras apuntamos esos recortes a aquellos que pueden beneficiarse más”, dijo Lamont. “Tengo la esperanza de que la legislatura esté de acuerdo en que estos recortes pueden brindar alivio, y este paquete puede ser el primero de una serie en los próximos años a medida que continuamos llevando la estabilidad fiscal de Connecticut a una base cada vez más sólida”.

La propuesta de reducción de impuestos del gobernador Lamont incluye cinco partes:

Restaurar la elegibilidad total para el crédito fiscal a la propiedad (impacto estimado: 500,000 personas)

El gobernador está pidiendo a la legislatura que restablezca de inmediato la elegibilidad total para el crédito fiscal a la propiedad a partir del año fiscal 2022. Según la ley estatal actual, el crédito fiscal a la propiedad se limita a las personas mayores de 65 años o con dependientes. Ampliar el crédito a todos los adultos dentro de los límites de ingresos actuales (\$109,500 para contribuyentes únicos/\$130,500 para contribuyentes conjuntos) tendrá un impacto fiscal estimado para el estado de \$53 millones.

Aumentar el crédito fiscal a la propiedad de \$200 a \$300 (impacto estimado: 1,1 millones de personas)

Además de restaurar el crédito fiscal a la propiedad a la elegibilidad completa, el gobernador Lamont propone aumentar el crédito de su tasa actual de \$200 a un máximo de \$300 por declarante. Aumentar el crédito fiscal a la propiedad a \$300 tendrá un impacto fiscal estimado para el estado de \$70 millones.

Acelerar la incorporación prevista de la exención del impuesto sobre la renta de pensiones y rentas vitalicias (impacto estimado: 250.000 personas)

El gobernador propone acelerar en tres años, de 2025 a 2022, la incorporación gradual planificada de la exención de pensiones y anualidades bajo el impuesto estatal sobre la renta. Según la ley estatal actual, el año de ingresos 2022 está programado para una exención del 56 % como el cuarto año de una introducción gradual de siete años de la exención, que está programada para alcanzar el 100 % para el 2025. Los contribuyentes solteros con un ingreso bruto ajustado inferior al \$75,000 y contribuyentes conjuntos con menos de \$100,000 califican para la exención. Acelerar la exención tres años antes tendrá un impacto fiscal estimado para el estado de \$ 42,9 millones en el año fiscal 2023, que se reducirá a \$ 0 en el año fiscal 2026, ya que la incorporación gradual existente ya se asume en el pronóstico de consenso.

Ampliar el crédito fiscal para préstamos estudiantiles (impacto estimado: hasta 32,000 personas)

El gobernador propone ampliar un crédito fiscal para préstamos estudiantiles que defendió y que fue adoptado en 2019, que otorga a los empleadores un crédito fiscal del 50 % sobre hasta \$5,250 en pagos del préstamo estudiantil de un empleado. El programa aprovecharía los gastos comerciales junto con el crédito fiscal estatal para ampliar significativamente la elegibilidad de todos los préstamos emitidos por la Autoridad de Préstamos Suplementarios para la Educación Superior de Connecticut (CHESLA). El cambio sería retroactivo al 1 de enero de 2022 y tendrá un impacto fiscal estimado de \$9.4 millones.

Reducir los impuestos a la propiedad de los vehículos de motor (impacto estimado: 1,7 millones de vehículos, lo que equivale al 77% de los vehículos en el estado)

El gobernador Lamont está solicitando a la legislatura que apruebe una ley que reducirá el tope de la tasa de molino en los impuestos a la propiedad de vehículos motorizados de 45 mil a 29 mil y reembolsará a los gobiernos locales por el impacto resultante en los ingresos. Un tope de 29 millones para todos los vehículos motorizados brindará alivio del impuesto a la propiedad para más de 1,7 millones de vehículos en 103 pueblos y ciudades, incluidos 20 de los 25 municipios en dificultades. Esto continuaría aplicándose a los vehículos de pasajeros, comerciales y combinados. Los reembolsos a los municipios costarían \$160,4 millones adicionales por encima de la asignación actual.

El gobernador está pidiendo a los legisladores que restablezcan de inmediato la elegibilidad total para el crédito fiscal a la propiedad a partir del año fiscal 2022.

La sesión de este año comienza el 9 de febrero. Los líderes de las mayorías demócratas en ambas cámaras dicen que las audiencias y reuniones se llevarán a cabo en Zoom durante el primer mes debido a la pandemia de COVID-19. By Iris Rodríguez

Una mujer muerta, otra en estado crítico tras recibir un disparo en un posible incidente doméstico en Hartford

La policía de Hartford está investigando un homicidio hoy lunes por la mañana.

La policía dijo que los equipos de emergencia respondieron a un apartamento en el edificio en Evergreen Avenue justo antes de las 2:30 am del lunes por la mañana con un informe de que alguien necesitaba atención médica.

Terminaron encontrando a dos mujeres de unos 20 años que habían recibido un disparo. Una de ellas falleció y la otra fue trasladada al hospital donde se encuentra en estado crítico esta

mañana.

La policía dice que esto fue claramente un objetivo y creen que ambas mujeres estaban durmiendo en la misma cama cuando ocurrió este ataque.

La policía dice que la puerta principal del edificio estaba abierta cuando llegó el fuego a la escena, pero no saben si estaba cerrada con llave antes de eso. También siguen investigando si la puerta del apartamento estaba cerrada con llave o no.

El teniente Aaron Boisvert, policía de Hartford, dijo: “Hay cámaras en el edificio. Si vas por

la parte de atrás, hay lo que parece ser un acceso, como una tarjeta de acceso para entrar, así que este es un edificio seguro. En este punto de la investigación, viendo esto como un posible doméstico, desconocido en este momento, pero eso es lo que estamos viendo”.

Este es el tercer homicidio en la ciudad en 2022. El domingo, un hombre fue encontrado con una herida de bala que resultó fatal luego de que el automóvil que conducía se estrellara en la calle Bellevue. By Iris Rodríguez



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