



NEW MICRO-GRANT PROGRAM FOR CITY'S SMALL BUSINESSES

The City of Hartford recently announced a new \$500,000 Microenterprise Micro-grant Program, which will provide businesses that have five or fewer employees with up to \$2,500 in funding. Currently-operating microenterprises with five or fewer employees (including the owner), as well as Hartford entrepreneurs seeking to develop a microenterprise, are eligible for this grant funding. Eligible applicants must also have a physical address in the City of Hartford and must either have an existing business plan or develop a business plan as a result of the program.

The Microenterprise Microgrant Program is just one of several small business recovery and development initiatives created by the City in the last two years, including the Hart Lift program to help property owners and brick-and-mortar retail businesses fill vacant storefronts in Hartford, the Small Business Façade Improvement Program which helps property owners improve and beautify the exterior of their storefronts to help attract customers and encourage additional neighborhood economic investment, and the Small Business Investment Fund that helps create and retain job opportunities in downtown and neighborhood businesses.

"In the wake of the pandemic, our Small Business and Community Development Division has worked tirelessly to support the growth and success of more Hartford small

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HARTFORD TASTE TO RETURN JUNE 9 & 10

Hartford Taste will return to Constitution Plaza Friday, June 9 and Saturday, June 10.

Building upon the success of last year, Connecticut's premier food, art and music event has grown and will now feature 30 restaurants, 30 musical acts and several artists.

This year's event will highlight a mix of new and returning vendors, including some that have received national recognition, along with many "new to the scene" restaurants. In addition, the event will also feature two sound stages with a wide range of musical acts and live art demonstrations, highlighting the diversity of culture in our capital region.

This year's event will run from 12:00 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, June 9 and Saturday, June 10 and is open to the public with free admission. Proceeds from Hartford Taste will benefit Connecticut Foodshare.

Participating Restaurants

- Bear's Smokehouse BBQ
- Bert's Pizzeria
- BP Cuisine And Pastry
- Cafe Aurora's
- Capital Ice Cream

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Hartford's Got Talent

The final competition of the inaugural season of Hartford's Got Talent was held last Friday at The Bushnell in Downtown Hartford. Friendz World Music got the competition off to a rousing start; drummer Curtis Greenidge is shown above. Although the nine acts who made it to the final included many veteran performers, it was 2 Much Krew – made up of eight-year-old twins Jayden and Jada – who took home the top prize in the end. The twins have been members of The Gifted Onez Performing Arts Company for two years. The other finalists were beatboxer Mason Gamble, opera singer Sabrina Hebert, vocalist Brooklyn Vega, vocalist Ysanne, rock band Crossroads Crooks, vocalist Jerry Hamilton and Magic Soul Drumline. Hartford's Got Talent was founded by nationally-known cartoonist Joe Young and entrepreneur Bob Patricelli. (Hart photo)

Hartford...Once Upon a Time



It's hard to believe that this photo of South Green on a quiet summer afternoon was taken over a half century ago, because it doesn't look too much different than it does today. The time is 1971 and the view is looking southeast. In the background at center is 25 Main Street, looking much the same as it does today, although its tenant at the time, Lappen's Fireplace Center has long since moved out. South Green is almost as old as Hartford itself, although it was originally larger: It was first used to pasture cows and for military drills. Some of the Hartford men and women who were accused of witchcraft back in the mid-17th century were said to have gatherings on South Green, where they danced and drank – outrageous behavior in a town that was still dominated by Puritans. In the 1860s, South Green was laid out as an actual park by Jacob Wiedenmann, with paved pathways, ornamental fencing and a central fountain. The park became a showpiece and the road that ran west from it became known as Park Street. In 1898, the park was officially named Barnard Park in memory of Henry Barnard, a prominent resident who lived nearby. However, the name never really caught on and the small triangular park is almost universally known today as South Green. (Photo courtesy of the Hartford History Center at the Hartford Public Library)

NEWS BRIEFS

Community Baby Shower Tonight

The Urban League of Greater Hartford, 140 Woodland Street, Hartford will host a Community Baby Shower, tonight, May 11, from 5 - 7 pm. This "Pre-Mother's Day" event is open to expecting mothers and families with toddlers. Free diaper bag, baby supplies, shower gifts, wellness tips, vaccines & boosters, OB/GYN info session, community resources, fresh veggie distribution. Call (860) 212-4333 for more information. Walk ins Welcome; no sign up necessary.

MARG Meets TONIGHT

The Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, May 11, at 6 pm in the lower level of Saint Augustine Church, 10 Campfield Avenue, Hartford. Hartford School Superintendent Dr. Leslie Torres-Rodriguez will discuss issues of concern with residents. All are welcome.

Donations Sought for Elderly Housing Complex

Victory Cathedral Elderly Housing on Bellevue Street in Hartford's Clay-Arsenal neighborhood is currently seeking donations to help maintain the property's grounds. Items needed include: gloves, hand shovels, hedge-pruning shears, garden hose, disposal bags, cash donations to purchase flowers, weed killer (non-toxic) and an outside broom. Any support would have a positive impact on the residents at Victory Cathedral Apartments, and we are very grateful for any support. Donations can be sent to Victory Cathedral Apartments at 222 Bellevue St. Hartford, CT 06120 For more information please call 860-987-6594 or email krussello@ehmchm.org

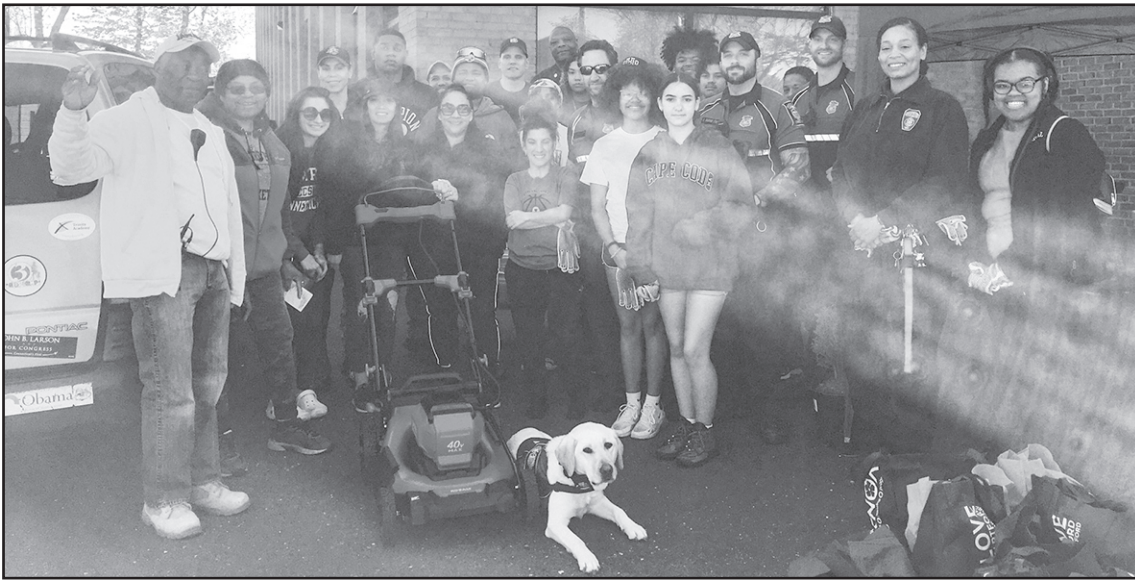
Boys & Girls Club Fundraiser May 17

On Wednesday, May 17, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Hartford (BGCH) will hold its annual fundraising gala, "Great Futures," at the South End Boys & Girls Club, 129 Ledyard Street, Hartford, from 5:30 - 8:30 pm. This year the event will be emceed by Sage Steel from ESPN and will also serve as the official introduction of the BGCH's 2023 Youth of the Year. Tickets are \$250/person and can be purchased at: <https://one.bidpal.net/bgch2023/welcome>.

Rabies Vaccination Clinic May 20

A rabies vaccination clinic will be held on Saturday, May 20, from 9 am - 1 pm at The Simon Foundation, 120 Rescue Lane, Bloomfield. This clinic

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Barry Square Clean-up

On Saturday, May 6, the Maple Avenue Revitaization Group (MARG) held its annual clean-up of the Barry Square neighborhood. MARG members and local residents were joined by volunteers from the Hartford Police Department, Fire Department and Probate Court in the effort.

WILD IN THE STREETS

Chaos reigns on Wethersfield Avenue while HPD cops out

COMMENTARY BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

Picture a Hieronymus Bosch painting, say, “The Harrowing of Hell”, where crazed naked people are running amok, a nightmarish work of art...frightening. Now, replace those people with motorcycles, ATVs, slingshots, and cars and you’ve got “The Nightmare on Wethersfield Avenue” last Sunday, and definitely worthy of a Bosch. It was May 7th: Not a holiday, no cultural celebration going on, no road race. Just a mild mid-spring day where it’s supposed to be a pleasure to be outside. It was late afternoon as I was driving home, heading north on Wethersfield Avenue,

when shortly before Airport Road everything came to a dead stop. As far as I could see, the cars ahead of me weren’t moving. Instead, the above-mentioned vehicles poured out of the side streets onto the avenue in a never-ending stream that paid no heed to red lights, instead weaving around and through the long line of stuck cars. There was no way for me or any other drivers headed north to turn around or go down a side street, as the ‘invaders’ created an impenetrable bottleneck. Nothing moved forward. When we had a green traffic signal it made no difference to

the bumper-to-bumper vehicles that stretched for many blocks. At one light, I sat through about 15 green cycles before I could move ahead a couple of yards. As our snail-like caravan—including an ambulance—approached the light at Wawarme Avenue, things got worse. As I sat at that intersection, I looked at the craziness and noticed that ahead, behind and on both sides of the street there was no HPD presence, so I called the non-emergency number and told the dispatcher that we needed some cops

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THE EMPTY NEST

Navigating Mother’s Day when the baby birds have flown away

BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

This wasn’t the way I’d imagined it in my head during the years I was raising my sons, or later when they were out on their own, and after that when they’d become fathers. I would be—for lack of a better word—the matriarch, queen for a day, she who no longer must be obeyed but instead honored on every second Sunday in the month of May. There I would sit in the place of honor, surrounded by those who share 25 or 50% of my DNA. I’d look around the table—a little misty-eyed, of course—at what Anne hath wrought, and like God after creating heaven and earth say to myself “It is good.” A pretty picture, eh? Well, they say reality bites. One son lives in northern New England and the other three-quarters of the country away in Colorado, and my three grandchildren, of course, live in their dad’s homes. Ergo, it’s a long haul for both sons and the young ones to make a pilgrimage to Hartford, and I surely don’t expect them to. I know they love me and they show it in many ways. Still, I confess to a momentary twinge of envy when friends and other family members show-and-tell their Norman Rockwell-esque Mother’s Day gatherings. And then the twinge passes, because they are people I like and

even love, and I delight in seeing photos of—and hearing about—their special day; a vicarious and genuine pleasure. One reason I get past that day unscathed is that I know several mothers who have lost their own children to illness or violence, or suicide, a parental nightmare that eclipses having living offspring that are far away. My heart goes out to them. At my 72+ age, I’m part of a generation that’s for the most part motherless, some of us for many years now. But in that case time heals, and memories of one’s mom or grandmother or primary caregiver can be a good place to visit on that special day. So, what does it mean to be a mother? That you gave life to—or adopted or raised—one or more human beings who hopefully have perpetuated your mother-love and your wisdom, passing down their memories of you through generations yet to come. My sons, raised primarily by a single mother, have honored me by becoming devoted hands-on fathers who are doing all the right things for their children, some of that gleaned from their own childhood. Is there any better Mother’s Day gift than that? I couldn’t ask for anything more.

Politically Speaking

A Fresh Look at Issues Facing our Region & State

BY MIKE MCGARRY

Free Advice for Mayoral and Council Candidates

First, look at this column’s idea of “A Big Bold Move” in last week’s Hartford News. A new hotel would bring jobs, add tax revenue (city and state), bring business to the city and help to eliminate blight. Please, take the idea. And here’s a free quote, “As mayor, I would bring together the corporate and governmental pieces to make a new hotel possible.”

Next, take the idea of two people and a truck – actually two trucks, one for the North End and one for the South End – to eliminate obvious problems, such as litter, fallen tree limbs, graffiti, illegal signs, etc. Larger problems, such as illegal activity, illegal parking, etc, would be reported to the appropriate agencies. In a few months things would really start looking a lot better in our neighborhoods.

OK, here we go! Market the city by combining the disparate attractions to target markets together. A strong, persuasive mayor (like Mayor Mike) could get all the CEOs together and get commitments toward a budget to bring in fresh tourist dollars from the region (New England and New York).

For the campaign: forums with eight candidates are virtually useless. The real back and forth needed to unmask the candidates’ real strengths and weaknesses in deter-

mining their suitability for the job of running a large and complex city requires tougher questions and longer answers. Our suggestion: two-night forums/debates with four candidates each night. Draw straws for positions and have at it! A set of sensible but tough questions available before the forum would give minor and/or untested candidates a chance to be prepared, or take a pass.

The whole idea of any of these candidates describing how they’d solve the complex problems we are facing in a couple of minutes of grandstanding with overworked shibboleths insults the process. Let’s see some numbers, timelines and solid promises that might actually help solve the daunting problems currently facing Hartford: crime, unemployment, a shrinking grand list (offices), and ineffective city services (lag time with inspections, for example). Many local towns are much more attentive to proper governmental functions than our City Hall.

We know that all the candidates must tip-toe around the current mayor and city council, but when the Democratic Primary comes in September, let’s see some honest debate among those who are able to gather the required number of signatures.

I Want Reparations for Lands Stolen from My Family by the City of Hartford

BY BILL DIMAURO KATZ

I was born into a house once located at 67 Laurel Street in the 1950s. Laurel Street between Capitol Avenue and Willow Street across from Woodbine Street was host to a community of single family houses, two family houses and some multi units mixed with small factories and a few food stores. It was a functioning neighborhood. Willow Street curved around the Park River which we called the Hog River. I imagine hogs once grazed along its banks.

By the early 1960s the Hartford Redevelopment Agency agreed with Olivetti Underwood Typewriter Company to take all the land of that community under eminent domain for Underwood’s expansion. Eminent domain was never created for the benefit of private business development and expansion. It was however, created to be used when the interests of the public were directly enhanced but not so for private enterprise. (More on this in forthcoming articles.) My father held community meetings and when it came time to pool resources and hire legal counsel, others declined to litigate. So my father hired Attorney Igor Sikorsky and sued Underwood Typewriter and the City of Hartford. He lost the trial in Superior Court and appealed to the State Supreme Court where it was dismissed.

My father was obstinate and refused to move. By the end of the 1960s, our house was the last remaining structure on the street. In January, 1970, we were served notice to vacate the premises and we had two weeks to move or the sheriff threatened to put our possessions out on the curb in the dead of winter. I know this date very well because my mother gave me a note to give to my freshman home room teacher (Mrs. Diane Gibbs) at Hartford High School telling her that I was needed to help move. The date of the note that I have retained was January 19, 1970.

I want my family’s land returned to me. I also want the land listed on town records as 57 Laurel Street which we also owned as investment property. And I’m serious. You may call it reparations for 53 years of land stolen by the City of Hartford. Much of this land today is used by The Knox Foundation. The land remained unused for decades after Underwood moved out of Hartford after destroying the neighborhood as my father had predicted. (Remember the term, corrupt politicians they will be referred to in another

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By Minnie Gonzalez, State Representative, 3rd District

Dear Neighbor,

I want to share some highlights including Capitol Update and more. We passed a number of bills. Learn more about them below:

- HB6689: Makes a career in health care a realistic option for more CT students. The Nursing and Mental Health Care Professionals Loan Subsidy Program will mean lower interest rates for students looking to go into health and mental health care.
- HB6632: Opens previously closed avenues for local housing authorities housing units. On to the Senate for consideration.
- HB6587: This bill creates a task force to develop a plan that utilizes Medicaid funding to support health-related social needs like diaper insecurity, food insecurity, and housing instability. The task force will also seek federal approval for services, and report how the proposed coverage will impact current recommendations.
- HB6479: Contains a key provision to maximize federal funds designated for state and municipal climate change resiliency projects, including coastal resiliency projects.
- HB6480: Eel Grass is an important component of seagrass meadows that improve water quality and protect from erosion. This bill establishes a working group on the restoration of eel grass.
- HB5575: A necessary measure to ensure the humane treatment of animals in municipal animal shelters. We set municipal regulations establishing guidelines that maintain the health and safety of both the animals and the individuals working in the facilities.

The Connecticut General Assembly passed the "Take Back Our Grid Act," a robust bill that established standards that utility companies must meet, penalties if those standards are not met, and metrics for determining progress.

Increasing Accountability Among Utility Companies

The Connecticut Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) unanimously voted to begin a search for consultants to monitor the performance of the state's two electric distribution companies - Eversource and United Illuminating. This is an important step toward eventually shifting to performance-based regulation for the companies.

The framework for these changes was created in the wake of Eversource and UI's poor and slow response to issues caused by Tropical Storm Isaias in 2020. In response, the Connecticut General Assembly passed the "Take Back Our Grid Act," a robust bill that established standards that utility companies must meet, penalties if those standards are not met, and metrics for determining progress.

Additionally, PURA also announced that it has extended the utility shutoff moratorium for gas and electric service disconnections for residential financial hardship customers until October 31, 2023.

These changes will help hold the state's utilities accountable, protect vulnerable communities and ensures that the ratepayers are the priority moving forward.

City Of Hartford 2023 Spring Cleaning, May 15 - 26

Hartford 311 and Public Works are teaming up for some spring cleaning throughout the City from Monday, May 15 through Friday, May 26. Here's how you can help:

1. Place lawn waste in brown leaf bags curbside for collection during time period.
2. Call to schedule a pick up for your bulky waste such as furniture, appliances, etc, or call to report any illegal dumping you see.
3. Consider doing a neighborhood clean-up in your area. With 20+ volunteers you can reserve the City's Love Your Block

Trailer . To make arrangements, go to www.hartfordct.gov/lybtrailer or call Hartford 311 at (860) 757-9311.

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Youth Employment & Empowerment Day

On Saturday, May 6, the City of Hartford Department of Families, Children, Youth and Recreation (DFCYR) held the Mayor's Youth Employment & Empowerment Day at Hartford City Hall and the University of Connecticut Hartford Branch in Downtown Hartford. At 12 noon, Mayor Luke Bronin (above, center) held a panel discussion about employment opportunities and barriers for city teens with members of the Hartford Youth Service Corps. The event also included registration tables for the City's Summer Youth Employment Program, seminars on resume writing and interviewing skills and free professional head shots from local photographers. (Hart photo)

MOVING RIGHT ALONG

From the Hartford Safe Streets May 2023 newsletter

BY DONNA SWARR

The Complete Streets task force next meets on Monday, June 12th at noon for updates on projects, new progress, partners, and more. The meeting link is tinyurl.com/HartfordCSMeetings, or if you have trouble connecting, you can join in via phone at 408-418-9388 (access code 2336 133 6144).

The Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) is kicking off the East Coast Greenway gap study. What is the ECG? It's a 3,000-mile pedestrian / bike-focused route that stretches from Maine to Florida, and this study is looking to see how the ECG should run through the gaps in the Capitol region. The CRCOG team held a community workshop last month at the Keney Park Pond House, but you can always find more details on the study by signing up for the email listserv or commenting on the interactive map via the project website at <https://crocog.org/capitol-region-ecg>

study/.

Bike Walk CT is hosting an annual National Bike to Work Day event in Hartford on May 19th. Join BWCT and friends at the Old State House from 7-9 a.m. With the CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) Commissioner Katie Dykes as speaker and organizations like the Center for Latino Progress (BiCiCo/Transport Hartford), the Travelers Employee Cycling Network, Hartford Safe Streets, and more as participants, you're sure to have a great experience—plus light refreshments! Have questions, or want to get involved? Reach out to BWCT at bikewalkct@bikewalkct.org. Transport Hartford and

BiCiCo. are also kicking the day off with coffee and pastries at BiCiCo. West, 616 New Park Avenue, at 6:45 a.m., then rolling out on a 7:15 a.m. group ride to the Old State House. Contact Jay Stange at (917) 601-3165 for more information.

Join the World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims planning committee, an event scheduled for Sunday, November 19th. A group of advocates, family members, and others have come together to put together that day. If you'd like to join the committee, email Amy Watkins: awatkins01@connecticutchildrens.org. The next meeting will be held via Zoom on Wednesday, May 24th from 2-3 p.m.

Early Voting:

House Bill 5004 Update

BY DONNA SWARR

The House passed HB 5004, which would allow the following: two weeks of early voting in cities and towns around the state beginning in 2024, eligible voters to cast their ballots in person ahead of Election Day for regular, special, and primary elections, and be more convenient and fairer in the process, reflecting the realities of hectic modern-day life. Early voting will give more people flexibility to cast a ballot in towns, cities, and for state elections. Expanding voting access is critical to ensuring the people of Connecticut are heard at the polls. Many constituents are turned away from the polls because of an issue with registration or an individual polling location. Early voting will give residents more time to fix those problems and cast a vote. This step forward comes six months after Connecticut voters overwhelmingly backed the concept in a statewide referendum. The next step is a debate in the Senate.

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SALSA Summer!

There will be numerous free salsa parties this summer in Hartford at both Pratt Street and Parkville Market...

Salsa Socials

Pratt Street,
Downtown Hartford
5 – 8 pm

Friday, May 26
Friday, June 23
Friday, July 21
Friday, August 18
Friday, September 18

Salsa Under the Stars

Parkville Market 1400
Park Street, Hartford
6 - 10 pm

Friday, May 19
Friday, June 9
Friday, July 14
Friday, August 11
Friday, September 15

May, June, July & August Youth Open Mic Back on Pratt St.

Due to popular demand The Hartford Business Improvement District and Hartford.com are bringing back "Amplify," their youth-oriented open mic series in downtown Hartford. Amplify will take place the last Tuesday of the month beginning in May and running through August. The series focuses on musicians, poets, and performance artists who are under 21 years of age. These events are free to both performers and attendees. Amplify will take place on Pratt Street on May 30, June 27, July 25, and August 29 from 6-8 pm. Any artists who are interested in performing can register in advance of each date at Hartford.com/Amplify. Walk-ups accepted if time permits.

May & June Jazz 101

The Artists Collective and Hartford Public Library will present Jazz 101, an interactive six-week series with audience discussion and instrumental demonstration. The series, which will be held in May and June at the Artists Collective, serves as a prelude to July's hugely popular Paul Brown Monday Night Jazz and the Greater Hartford Jazz Festival.

- **Haneef Nelson:** From Pre-Jazz to Rag Time, *May 15, 6 - 8 pm*
- **Matt DeChamplain:** Stride Piano-Be Bop, *May 22 and June 5, 6-8 pm*
- **Emmett Goods:** Hard Bop and Modern Day Jazz, *June 12 and 19, 6-8 pm*

All sessions are free. Please register: <https://programs.hplct.org/event/8396789>.

Every Monday! Monday Music at Parkville Market

This Spring, Parkville Market, 1400 Park Street, Hartford, will host a Monday Night Music series alternating Jazz and traditional Irish Music. Fiddler Jeanne Freeman will lead the Irish sessions while world-renowned bassist Nat Reeves will lead the jazz concerts, with special guests "sitting in" each night.

May 15 Irish Music

May 22 Jazz: Zaccai Curtis

May 29 Jazz: Joe Warner with The Dynamic Miss Faye
Carol: Billie Holiday Remembered

June 5 Jazz: Jimmy Green

June 12 Special Irish Music Finale

All concerts run from 6:30-8:30 pm and are free. Performances will be held outdoors if weather permits; and indoors at Parkville Market's 2nd floor bar, The Local. For more information, please go to: ParkvilleMarket.com

May 12 & May 16 Sound Healing Sessions

Know Thy Neighbor will host two free Sound Healing events as part of its "Healing Hartford" Series. The first session will be held from 5:30-7:30 pm on Friday, May 12, at New Life Worship Center, 127 Mather Street,

Hartford. The second will be held Tuesday, May 16, from 5:30-7:30 pm at Emanuel Lutheran Church, 311 Capitol Avenue, Hartford. Certified Sound Healer, Kelvin Young, RSS, will facilitate both sessions. During a sound healing session, Kelvin plays the crystal and Tibetan singing bowls, gong, ocean drum, chimes and other healing instruments to activate the relaxation response to calm your mind, relax your body, release your suppressed emotions and nourish your soul. Together, we will create a safe space for you to connect with your body, emotions and intuition for rejuvenation, mental clarity and insight. For more information please email Yadira Jeter @knclayarsenal@gmail.com.

DominGO! Returns this Summer

The City of Hartford's DominGO! Street Festivals are returning this Summer.

The first will be held on Main Street in the city's Northeast Neighborhood on Sunday, June 25, from 11 am - 4 pm. Look for local DJs, steel drum bands and cricket demonstrations.

The second DominGO! is scheduled for Sunday, September 17, from 11 am - 4 pm along Park Street in the Frog Hollow Neighborhood.

The third DOMINGO! will also be held on Park Street and will feature the many cultures of Hartford's Parkville neighborhood. It will be held on Sunday, October 1, from 11 am - 4 pm.

Saturday, May 13 HartBeat Presents Requiem for an Electric Chair

HartBeat Ensemble will present Congolese Playwright and Actor Toto Kisaku in his original one-person drama *Requiem for an Electric Chair* on Saturday, May 13 at 7:30pm. Based on Kisaku's harrowing personal experience in jail in his home country, the play will be performed at the Carriage House Theatre located at 360 Farmington Avenue in Hartford. General Admission tickets are \$25; Student

and Seniors are \$20. No one turned away for lack of funds. Tickets and information can be found at HartBeatEnsemble.org.

Saturday, May 13 Art Manifestation in Parkville

Experience the works of over 100 artists, craftspeople, artisans, and more as they showcase their talents from 12 - 11 pm on Saturday, May 15, at 50 Bartholomew Avenue, Hartford. Possibly the best chance to buy some local art this year. In addition you can enjoy the best of Connecticut's top musical talent and family-friendly activities.

Entertainment Line-up

- 1PM: DJ Troubl3
- 2PM: DJ GAMEBOY,
- 3PM: Haneef N. Nelson Quartet,
- 4PM: KWDAGOAT
- 4:30: MURF
- 5PM: Love Light Galaxy
- 6PM: DreGottheBlues
- 6:30: Nick Rose
- 7PM: Balkun Brothers
- 8PM: SuaveSki & Yung Vice City
- 8:30: Bonzoraps
- 9PM: DJ Ch'Varda

The evening offers an exclusive VIP Celebrity Dinner at Gather55, featuring a delicious 4-course meal with paired wine, and an opportunity to support RiseUP and Hands on Hartford's community outreach work.

Saturday, May 13 Momma-palooza on Pratt Street

Saturday, May 13 is all about the moms on Pratt Street in Downtown Hartford! Get ready to spoil the mother figure in your life from 12 - 4 pm at Momma-palooza with goodies from our pop-up vendors, food and drink specials from our restaurants and bars, specialty items from our retail businesses, and enjoy music by all your favorite divas, spun by DJ Sonia Sol. Stackpole Moore will be hosting a fashion show, and you can take photos with your mom in front of our flower wall!

Saturday, May 13 Bird Walk at Cedar Hill Cemetery



Join Jay Kaplan from Roaring Brook Nature Center on Saturday, May 13 at 6:30 am for his popular bird walk at Cedar Hill Cemetery, 453 Fairfield Avenue, Hartford. On

this free walk, Jay will lead participants through Cedar Hill's ornamental foreground, which includes over 65 acres of ponds and woodlands, in search of resident and migratory birds. Appropriate walking shoes and binoculars are strongly recommended. Admission is Free. The walk begins near the bridge along the entrance drive.

Saturday, March 13 Old State House Birthday Party



Connecticut's Old State House, 800 Main Street, Downtown Hartford, will celebrate its 227th birthday with free admission from 12 - 4 pm on Saturday, May 13. Opened in 1796, it is the oldest state house in the nation. The building served as the State Capitol until 1878 and as Hartford City Hall until 1915. There will also Spring Market on the lawn featuring Connecticut made crafts, art, and local goods, games on the lawn and cake.

Saturday, May 13 Shop Local Crafts at Hartford Flavor

On Saturday, May 13, Hartford Flavor Company, 30 Arbor Street (rear), Hartford, will present the Spring edition of Crafted, from 11 am - 4 pm. Crafted is a chance for local businesses to show off their wares; close to 20 vendors have signed up. The event will be held inside the Hartford Flavor distillery and outside in the parking lot. Please use side driveway between 30 and 56 Arbor Street.

Thursday, May 18 RAW Creative Cocktail Hour

Real Art Ways (RAW), 56 Arbor Street, Hartford, will present its monthly Creative Cocktail Hour on Thursday, May 18, from 6-10pm. CCH is a celebration of creativity and diversity in Hartford. The event will include live funk, soul, and R&B music from Nelson Bello & Friends (Dexter Pettaway on drums, Simone Moñe on vocals, Will Price on saxophone, Asa Livingston on bass, and Jeremiah Fuller on piano); a performance by The Dance Collective; and dance music from DJ Mr. Realistic. The Mama Nena food truck will also be on hand serving Tapas from across Spain. Attendees are also welcome to view the five exhibits currently on display in the RAW galleries. Tickets for Creative

Cocktail Hour are \$15 general admission (only \$10 for Real Art Ways members). If you come on a bicycle and are a member, it's free! Tickets can be purchased online or at the door.

Friday, May 19 Bingo For a Good Cause at AHCC

ConnecticutKids will hold a benefit Bingo Night on Friday, May 19, at Asylum Hill Congregational Church, 814 Asylum Avenue, Hartford, Doors open at 5:30 pm; bingo starts at 6:05 pm and will run to approximately 9 pm. Price range from \$15 for admission and two bingo cards to \$35 for four bingo cards and dinner. Proceeds will go directly toward providing resources and free youth programming for Hartford youth. Order tickets at <https://givebutter.com/CTKBingo23>

Saturday, May 20 Heritage Roots in Connecticut

What are you planting this year in your garden? Would you like seeds of different varieties and to hear from the people who plant them? Food is a love language in many Asian American households. In celebration of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, the Connecticut Historical Society, 1 Elizabeth Street, Hartford, will honor this deep-rooted connection with a conversation among Asian-American on what they cultivate and how it connects them to their past. Join us for this conversation from 2-4 pm on Saturday, May 20, and leave inspired with seeds, recipes, and experiences. Please bring seeds to share and swap.

Saturday, May 20 Cedar Hill Civil War Tour

Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation will host a special Civil War themed tour on Saturday, May 20, at 10:00 am. Cedar Hill Cemetery is located at 453 Fairfield Avenue, Hartford. The walking tour begins at the flagpole at the end of the entrance drive. More than 200 Civil War soldiers, some of whom endured horrific conditions as prisoners of war, are buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery. Evelyn Bollert will lead visitors on a tour of the final resting places of prisoners of the Civil War and tell their stories of bravery, resilience, and heartbreak. Admission is \$10.00; Cedar Hill Cemetery Foundation Members Free. Advance reservations are recommended and may be made online at www.cedarhillfoundation.org.

Monday, May 22 Historical Society Open House

The Connecticut Historical Society, 1 Elizabeth Street, Hartford will host an Open House from 5:30 - 7 pm on Monday, May 22. During the Open House you're invited to explore the building, while staff members show you some of the organization's new acquisitions, demonstrate new

education programs, update you on projects, and more. The event is free and open to the public. There is no need to pre-register.

Wednesday, May 24 HPHS Multicultural Celebration

Hartford Public High School (HPHS), 55 Forest Street, Hartford, will hold a Multicultural Celebration in the school auditorium at 6 pm on Wednesday, May 24. In addition to HPHS students, performers will include the Amandala Band, Xochipili, Mariachis Laurel del Monte and Andean music from the Cortes-Chavez duo. The event is free and open to the public.

Saturday, June 17 Democratic Women's True Blue Convention

The Connecticut Federation of Democratic Women will hold its biennial True Blue Convention on Saturday, June 17, from 11 am - 2 pm, at the State Armory, 360 Broad Street, Hartford. The main speaker will be Lieutenant Governor Susan Bysiewicz. Congressman John Larson and State Democratic Party Chair Nancy Dinardo are also scheduled to make remarks. Tickets, which includes a buffet lunch, are \$40. To purchase, contact Joanne Sullivan at sullivanj11028@gmail.com or Joyce Petteway at jhpetteway@gmail.com or call 203-768-6403. Tickets must be purchased in advance by June 10. No tickets will be sold at the door.

A Taste of... G Café Bakery

777 Main Street, Downtown Hartford

BY MARIE SULTANA ROBINSON



"There's nothing more wonderful than the smell of fresh bread and pastry arriving hot from the ovens in New Haven in the morning," says Eileen, manager of G Cafe Bakery at 777 Main Street Hartford. "When it arrives, it's still soft, so I have to be careful not to dent it as I put it on the shelves."

This aroma fills the small austere cafe that was once the beloved Blue State Coffee, which entrepreneur Christian Festa, and baker Andrea Corazzini, negotiated to buy and take over in February 2023. This is the sixth G Cafe Bakery opening in Connecticut. The original G Cafe opened in Branford in 2010. Both Italian-born men are passionate about good food made with quality ingredients, and they wanted to bring the old-world flavors of a fine bakery and coffee to Connecticut. "We see Hartford as a great city reemerging from the pandemic and want to be part of it," said Festa.

Currently, the cafe features limited but exquisite Italian and French pastries, doughnuts made from croissant dough, as well as coffee Americano, espresso, and cappuccino, as well as their signature bread. In addition to the pastries, they have some light luncheon fare: healthy salads, and a few sandwiches made from their breads. "Each bread goes through a trial period of formulating just the right recipe, and when it's just right, is baptized with a unique name," said Corazzini. They name their breads for events and people they care deeply about, taking old-world breads and giving them unique recipes. Bread like "45", which was created for Andrea's wife for her 45th birthday. It's a mixture of whole wheat, oat barley, and rye flakes that are fermented for 3 days, and this fermented mixture is then cooked into a porridge, and is mixed with quality bread flour, then fermented another day before making it into a wholesome loaf that satisfies.

Another bread is "Josephine", a mostly white bread name for a dear friend. "St Germain des Pres" brings back the essence of the Parisian Left Bank cafes. "Berliner" is based on an old German recipe for rye bread. The caramel cinnamon raisin bread is created by first creating caramel and then blending it delicately into the bread, as well as an Italian bread called "Biga". All the bread is sourdough based. Both men pride themselves on creating a commitment to quality and freshness. It's fresh bread and pastries with no additives. These have a 5-to-7- day shelf life. "You can only find them in our stores. We want those 5 days to be on your shelf, not some grocery store's shelf." For now, the atmosphere is sparse. "We are just moving in, but we will evolve," says Festa. The pair have plans to transform the ambiance, adding comfortable chairs and round bistro tables, changing the color of the walls, and adding plants. Later in the summer, they'll add a patio. All this allows you, the customer, to gaze at the iconic Old State House while enjoying coffee and pastry.

Eventually, they will add a punch card, where you'll earn one free coffee after 10 purchases.



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A Thousand And One



This year, the Sundance Film Festival awarded its Grand Jury Prize to A Thousand and One, written and directed by the second-only black woman to win. A. V. Rockwell was praised for her filmmaking and for diving into the poverty and unjust society not seen since Omar walked the streets of Baltimore in *The Wire*. Singer Teyana Taylor slays in her first starring role as a young woman released from Rikers, who wants to start over as a beautician. When she sees a 6 year old boy wandering the streets she recognizes him as Terry, the child she was forced to give up. Learning that he's neglected by his fosters, she kidnaps Terry with a fake birth certificate and the incompetence of the city government. But after 11 years of a new life in a gentrifying Harlem with a new man and a bright, motivated son, her world is threatened by a social system that seems fixed on keeping poor people down. **Friday, May 12, 7 pm; Saturday, May 13, 5 & 7 pm; Sunday, May 14, 5 pm; Monday, May 15, 7 pm; Tuesday, May 16, 7 pm; Wednesday, May 17, 7 pm; Thursday, May 18, 4 & 7 pm.** (117min. R) 2023 A.V. Rockwell, director

VERMEER: The Greatest Exhibition

his new Exhibition on Screen film invites audiences to a private view of the exhibition, accompanied by the director of the Rijksmuseum and the curators of the show. A truly once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! As well as bringing Vermeer's works together, both the Rijksmuseum and the Mauritshuis in the Hague have conducted research into Vermeer's artistry, his artistic choices and motivations for his compositions, as well as the creative process behind his paintings. **One Night Only: Sunday, May 14, 2 pm.**

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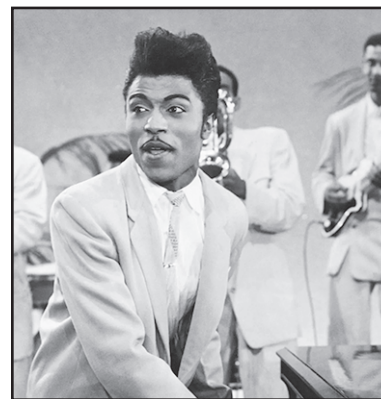
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Beau Is Afraid

A paranoid man embarks on an epic odyssey to get home to his mother in this bold and ingeniously depraved new film from writer/director Ari Aster (director of *Midsommar* and *Hereditary*). Starring: Joaquin Phoenix, Nathan Lane, Amy Ryan, Stephen Henderson, and Patti LuPone. **Friday, May 12, 6:40 pm; Saturday, May 13, 6:40 pm; Sunday, May 14, 6:40 pm; Thursday, May 18, 6:40 pm.**

Little Richard: I Am Everything



LITTLE RICHARD: I AM EVERYTHING tells the story of the Black queer origins of rock n' roll, exploding the whitewashed canon of American pop music to reveal the innovator – the originator – Richard Penniman. Through a wealth of archive and performance that brings us into Richard's complicated inner world, the film unspools the icon's life story with all its switchbacks and contradictions. In interviews with family, musicians, and cutting-edge Black and queer scholars, the film

reveals how Richard created an art form for ultimate self-expression, yet what he gave to the world he was never able to give to himself. Throughout his life, Richard careened like a shiny cracked pinball between God, sex and rock n' roll. The world tried to put him in a box, but Richard was an omni being who contained multitudes – he was unabashedly everything. **Friday, May 12, 2:30 pm; Saturday, May 13, 2:30 pm; Sunday, May 14, 2:30 pm; Wednesday, May 17, 2:30; Thursday, May 18, 6:40 pm.**

School Choice Fair Saturday

The Connecticut State Department of Education's Greater Hartford Regional School Choice Office (RSCO) will host its Spring School Choice Fair on Saturday, May 6, from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University, 9 Riverside Drive, East Hartford.

Through RSCO's program, families with students entering Pre-K through Grade 12 can apply to attend free public schools outside of their home district that fit their child's unique interests and passions, including:

- Magnet schools incorporating specialized themes, including STEM, visual and performing arts, computer science and Montessori
- Open Choice public schools in high quality school districts outside of their town
- Greater Hartford Region technical high schools, specializing

in career and technical education

The fair is the last in-person event for families to explore all of RSCO's school choice options before the 2023-2024 school year late application deadline on September 15, 2023.

Attending families can meet with RSCO staff and school representatives to learn more about classes, sports, clubs and transportation, as well as receive application assistance. The 90s/early 2000s-themed event will also feature a free basketball clinic with contests and prizes, as well as free food trucks, face painting and games, making it a fun day out for the whole family.

Learn more about school choice and apply: www.ChooseYourSchool.org

Pre-register for the RSCO Spring School Choice Fair: <https://bit.ly/40vYQyv>

Pre-register for the free basketball clinic: <https://bit.ly/3Nd27Qt>



A Weekly Review of Activities in Hartford Parks



Bushnell Park Carousel Now Open

The historic Bushnell Park Carousel is now open! The carousel will be operating this month from 12-5 pm on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. From June through August, the carousel will be open Thursday - Sunday from 12 - 5 pm. Rides are only \$2

Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Arch Tours

You've driven by it and under it, but have you ever been inside the Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Arch in Bushnell Park? Now's your chance! Starting today, May 11, free tours of the Arch will be available on Thursdays from 12-1:30 pm. Learn about the architecture and history of this fascinating monument that was built in 1885

to honor all Hartford residents who served in the American Civil War.

Intro to Fencing Tonight

On Thursday, May 11, the 2-4-1 Sports Heartbeat Fencing Series will be held in Bushnell Park from 6:00pm-7:15pm. To register go to: <https://www.activecity.org/> Programming provided by Active City/2-4-1 CARE, Inc.

Take Your Worries to the Park, and Leave Them There!

End the week right by joining the T.G.I.F. Mindfulness Walk this Friday, May 12, from 5:45pm-7:30pm, in Elizabeth Park. The walk is sponsored by the Spiritual Life Center.

Arroyo Rec Center Block Party this Saturday

This Saturday, May 13, the City of Hartford Recreation Division will hold a Family Block Party from 12-3pm at the in Pope Park. In case of rain, the party moves inside the Arroyo Recreation Center, 30 Pope Park Drive., Hartford. Find out what programs Hartford Recreation, and your community organizations have planned to make this your best

summer and sign up for programs to guarantee your spot. There will also be food, raffle prizes, games, crafts and more!

Agents of Hale Home Opener Sunday

After the longest offseason ever, the Hartford City FC Colts are finally kicking off their 2023 National Premier Soccer League (NPSL) season this Sunday, May 14 at 2 pm at Trinity Health Stadium (formerly Dillon Stadium). Bring your moms and come party before kickoff from 11 am - 2 pm! Enjoy all the free food and some sweet libations from our friends a Boondoggle Beers. (Must be 21+ in order to enjoy Boondoggle).

Get to Know Hartford's Hidden Gem

Cedar Hill Cemetery, 453 Fairfield Avenue, Hartford, is a fascinating combination of art, history and nature. Here are the final resting places on many of Hartford's most notable residents, including Samuel Colt, J.P. Morgan, Katharine Hepburn and Mayor Mike Peters. A introductory tour of the site will be held on Wednesday, May 17 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. Suggested donation is \$10, but no one will be

Healing Hartford Mental Health Conference May 20

Know Thy Neighbor, in partnership with a coalition of community and health organizations, will host a Mental Health Conference on Saturday, May 20, from 10 am - 1 pm at Chrysalis Center, 255 Homestead Avenue, Hartford. The public is invited to learn coping tools and techniques to help destigmatize mental health issues in our community. Food and children's activities will be provided. Walk-ins are welcome but registration is preferred. Email Yadira Jeter at ktnclyarsenal@gmail.com.



Bulkeley High School Athletic Hall of Fame Class of 2023 Banquet & Induction Ceremony October 8, 2023

The Bulkeley High School Athletic Hall of Fame will host a banquet and induction ceremony for the Class of 2023 inductees on Sunday, October 8, 2023, at 11:30 a.m. at Casa Mia at the Hawthorne in Berlin, Connecticut. For more details/reservations, please contact Bob Raffalo at 860-227-0438.

Class of 2023 Inductees:

- 1950 Undeclared Football Team
- 1991 Football Class LL CIAC Runner Up

Name	Class	Name	Class
Harry Bellucci	"76"	Daryl Roberts	"77"
Israel Caro	"79"	Anthony Tony Santana	"92"
Marty Crane	"76"	Jamie Santiago	"93"
Joseph Di Chiara	Coach	Joseph Tancredi	"77"
Coston Davis Jr.	"76"	Dwayne Taylor	"80"
William Dinnie	"41"	Donarth Thompson	"01"
Deborah Horrigan	Coach	Helen Tracy	Posthumously
Julius "Doc" Joseph	Posthumously	Annie Torza Fortnam	"79"
Tyrone Jackson Jr.	"81"	Doctor Joseph Uricchio	Posthumously
Daniel Kushman	"67"	Lisa C Whitters	"84"
Graham Martin	Coach	Raul Ortiz	"93"
Kelsey Roberts	"92"	Francis D'amato M.A.	Posthumously
		Paavo "Flash" Atlin	Posthumously

The Executive Committee is seeking contact information of family members and friends with knowledge of the accomplishments for the following BHS posthumously nominated individuals:

- Julius "Doc" Joseph** - Physical Education and Sports Equipment Manager for 30 years
- Helen Tracy** - Physical Education Teacher for 20 years (1930-1961)
- Francis "Frank" D'Amato** - English Teacher and Sports Manager for 25 years
- Paavo "Flash" Atlin** - Coached Swimming and Track for 25 years
- Dr. Joseph "Doc" Uricchio** - Bulkeley High School Sport Teams Doctor for 30 years

Please contact Bob Raffalo at 860-227-0438 or bobraffalo@gmail.com with information.

Donations are welcome. Please support the Bulkeley High School Athletic Hall of Fame with a tax deductible donation.

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Amigos Softball Opening Day



On Sunday, May 7, Amigos Softball League kicked off another season at Colt Park. With 16 teams, the league is one of the largest in Connecticut. The highlight of the opening day festivities was the naming of the winners of the Best Uniforms competition. The Pirates (above) won first place.



Best Uniforms, 2nd Place: The Angels



Best Uniforms, 3rd Place: The Padres

Cathedral Knights Honored

At the recent state-wide Knights of Columbus (KofC) Convention, the Cathedral KofC Chapter #11405 received a community service award for parking the cars of visitors to the many large events held at the Cathedral Church on Farmington

Avenue in Hartford. The Cathedral KofC would like to thank their fellow knights from throughout the state for assisting in the effort, as well as the Asylum Hill businesses and organizations that allowed cars to be parked on their property.

Microgrants

Continued from page 1

businesses,” said Mayor Luke Bronin. “That doesn’t just mean our brick-and-mortar shops – it also means supporting Hartford entrepreneurs working out of their kitchens, garages, pop-up stands, food trucks, or online. With this program, we want to make sure those microenterprises get a shot to take their businesses to the next level and grow here in Hartford. We know that not all of these businesses will succeed, but we also know that our City as a whole is stronger when those who have the courage and creativity to build a business in our community get some support to do it right.”

Grant money must be used to promote the establishment, stabilization, and expansion of microen-

terprises. Grants may be used to reimburse the following expenses: payroll, rent/mortgage, inventory and supplies, exterior signage and customization, equipment purchase, business support services such as bookkeeping and business plan development, and other support services such as transportation, counseling, and childcare.

A pre-application form is now live at www.hartfordct.gov/smallbiz. Applications will be reviewed and accepted on a rolling basis. The program is funded through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development’s (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program and through the U.S. Department of Treasury’s American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding.

The Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) would like to extend a big THANK YOU to all the volunteers and supporters of our annual clean-up of the Barry Square neighborhood on Saturday, May 6.

So thank you MARG Board Members, Hartford Fire Department Chief Rodney Barco, Captain Rivera and your whole crew of volunteers. Thanks also to Hartford Police Community Service Officers Carlos Faienza, Matthew Fabioschi, Adam DeMane, Anthony Gaudino and – of course – Katie the police dog. And we couldn’t have done it without Pedro Franco and all the other volunteers from Hartford Probate Court. Finally thanks to those who supplied water and refreshments: Jeff from the MDC, Key Foods on Park Street and Bro’s Dough Pizza on New Britain Avenue.

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Grace Academy, 457 Main Street, Hartford is now accepting applications for the Fall 2023 semester of its Pre-Kindergarten program. The program will offer an environment where children become independent, life long learners with a Christ centered education. Grace Academy is a tuition-free school for girls offering small

classes, extended-day, -week and -year, summer school, graduate support and intensive academics, commitment from the parents, and collaborative partnerships with community organizations. For more information, go to <https://www.graceacademyspringfield.org/contact-us/>

Need a Tree for Your Yard?

The City of Hartford will be planting trees throughout the city this fall, primarily along the tree-belt along residential streets. The final locations will be determined by the City Forester. Trees to be planted will fall into one of the following categories: climate resistance, shade tree, or short/smaller tree for near or under power lines. If you would like to reserve a tree for your property, please go to the website: <https://us.openforms.com/Form/9c1f0b07-d113-4261-a64b-f1dabe43f91c>. Tree planting is scheduled for Fall of 2023.

PROPERTY AUCTION

The tax collector of the City of Hartford has levied upon the following properties in Hartford and slated them for public auction to satisfy delinquent taxes and charges under C.G.S. § 12-157. Volume and page numbers refer to the City's land records; maps refer to the City's assessment maps. Unless paid, these properties will be auctioned in "as is" condition at 9:00 a.m. on June 26, 2023 at Dunkin Donuts Park, 1214 Main Street in Hartford.

82 Gillett Street (Volume 6887 Page 317) owned by 82 Gillett LLC, owing \$221,967.18. Madison Park Investors LLC and Webster Bank, N.A. in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

605 Albany Avenue a/k/a 605-621 (Volume 7035 Page 232) owned by Albany Ave LLC, owing \$48,684.24. Mystic Oil Company, Incorporated and Michael J. Argo in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

482 Farmington Avenue a/k/a 482-486 Farmington Avenue (Volume 5628 Page 197) owned by Allgamble LLC, owing \$89,102.27. Farmington Avenue Renaissance Enterprises LLC; Newtek Small Business Finance, LLC; HEDCO, Inc.; Hartford Economic Development Corp.; and The Colonial Theater Renaissance Corporation; in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

1 Dean Street Garage Unit #19E a/k/a Garage Unit #58 (Volume 6846 Page 209) owned by Sean Arena, Francis Perrone, Ralph Arena a/k/a Ralph P. Arena or his Estate, and Deborah Bigelow, owing \$10,689.82. Deborah Bigelow; Linda Diesfeld; and Maple Avenue Mews Homeowners' Association, Inc. in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

183 Barker Street a/k/a 183-185 Barker Street (Volume 4970 Page 145) owned by Atwood Barker Realty LLC, owing \$131,482.73. TD Bank, N.A.; Builders Choice of New York, Inc.; and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as successor to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as trustee for the registered holders of DLJ Commercial Mortgage Corp., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2000-CKPI in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

22 Atwood Street (Volume 4970 Page 148) owned by Atwood Barker Realty LLC, owing \$119,400.94. TD Bank, N.A.; Builders Choice of New York, Inc.; and Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as successor to Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as trustee for the registered holders of DLJ Commercial Mortgage Corp., Commercial Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2000-CKPI in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

23 Newfield Avenue (Volume 6136 Page 325) owned by Raul Carmona, owing \$61,417.25. Massimo Cianci and Marie Cianci in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

40 Hamilton Street (Volume 6856 Page 66) owned by Classic 'B' LLC, owing \$87,196.88. Carlos Ramos and Webster Bank, N.A. in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

96 Tredeau Street (Volume 3356 Page 89) owned by Leonard M. Diana and Dawn M. Veillette Diana, owing \$23,334.93.

847 Windsor Street (Volume 6947 Page 244) owned by Espinar Realty LLC, owing \$54,593.33.

2750 Main Street a/k/a 2750-2756 Main Street (Volume 5978 Page 35) owned by Harold Goodison, owing \$69,214.86. Jerome Lusa and James Lusa in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

122 Hillside Avenue (Volume 6911 Page 158) owned by Hillside Property LLC, owing \$76,403.00.

148 Brown Street (Volume 6932 Page 336) owned

by Farzana Hoque, owing \$15,917.70. Alec Bobrow, Christopher M. Reeves, Michael Jewczyn, Robert M. Spitzler, and Stuart L. Cohen, d/b/a Conn & Conn Co. in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

19 Ward Street a/k/a 19-21 Ward Street (Volume 7579 Page 172) owned by Farzana Hoque, owing \$21,355.64. RPIA, LLC and Williams Consulting, LLC in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

15 Woodland Street (Volume 1248 Page 258) owned by Immanuel Church Housing Corporation, owing \$2,775,413.59. Bank of America, N.A. as successor to Connecticut Bank and Trust Company; Mac-Gray Company, Inc.; Woodland Street Associates, Inc.; and the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

22 Burton Street a/k/a 22-24 Burton Street (Volume 1204 Page 690) owned by Stanley A. Lee or his Estate, owing \$72,957.14. Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center; Sandra Ann Lee; the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services; the United States Internal Revenue Service; and the surviving spouse and heirs of Stanley A. Lee in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

19 New Britain Avenue a/k/a 19-23 New Britain Avenue (Volume 7309 Page 207) owned by MDK of Hartford LLC, owing \$83,934.84. Thomas Signorelli or his Estate in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

120 Oxford Street (Volume 6868 Page 105) owned by Oxford Blues LLC, owing \$34,950.06. Sagem Capital Corp. and the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

167 Seymour Street (Third Parcel at Volume 6814 Page 39) owned by Park Seymour Associates, LLC, owing \$113,547.15. The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development; Connecticut Housing Finance Authority; and Connecticut Department of Housing in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

169 Seymour Street (Fourth Parcel at Volume 6814 Page 39) owned by Park Seymour Associates, LLC, owing \$111,862.77. The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development; Connecticut Housing Finance Authority; and Connecticut Department of Housing in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

23 Squire Street a/k/a 23-31 Squire Street (Volume 6806 Page 223) owned by Park Squire Associates, LLC, owing \$76,104.72. The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development; Connecticut Department of Housing; Bank of America, N.A. as successor to Fleet National Bank; and Naek Construction Co., Inc. in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

481 Park Street a/k/a 481-495 Park Street a/k/a 457-495 Park Street and 11 Squire Street (Volume 6806 Page 228) owned by Park Squire Associates, LLC, owing \$356,389.51. The Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development; Connecticut Department of Housing; Rowe 77 Associates, LLC; and Connecticut Natural Gas Corp. in addition to those listed below may have

interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

1115 Capitol Avenue (Volume 3903 Page 57) owned by Pauls Depot Garage LLC, owing \$134,532.14.

3395 Main Street a/k/a 3395-3397 Main Street (Volume 7492 Page 72) owned by Pirry LLC, owing \$75,003.59. Baba Enterprises, LLC in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

10 Jefferson Street, Unit N1 (Volume 3606 Page 49) owned by Polis and Sanders (CT), LLC, owing \$49,709.80. Jefferson Court Condominium Association, Inc. in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

550 Albany Avenue a/k/a 550-560 Albany Avenue (Volume 3821 Page 72) owned by R&D Service Center LLC, owing \$49,280.31. Santander Bank, N.A. as successor to Sovereign Bank and Stephen H. Sack d/b/a Sack Distributors in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

9 Chapman Street a/k/a 9-11 Chapman Street ("First Piece" at Volume 5920 Page 130) owned by Riordan Rocha, owing \$70,278.10. KJJS Hartford LLC and Astoria Federal Mortgage Corp. in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

262 Sargeant Street a/k/a 262-264 Sargeant Street (Volume 4372 Page 112) owned by Cebert Rodney, owing \$58,538.09. Harvey Industries, Inc. d/b/a Harvey Industries in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

50 Morgan Street (Volume 7774 Page 142) owned by Shelbourne Axela LLC, owing \$919,253.49. CapitalSource Bank; Access Point Financial, Inc.; CAF Bridge Borrower CH, LLC; Erection & Welding Contractors, LLC; CAP LP a/k/a White CAP L.P. f/k/a HD Supply Construction Supply, LTD; RBY Renovations LLC; Machy LLC; Scholar Painting, LLC; F & S Electric Services LLC; SJ Communications Hartford LLC; Landmark Infrastructure Holding Company, LLC; Landmark Infrastructure Asset OPCO, LLC; Capital Region Development Authority; Acres Capital Servicing LLC; DW Commercial Finance, LLC; 50 Morgan Hospitality Group, LLC d/b/a Excel & Associates; DW Onyx, LLC; Cryna Drywall and Services, Inc.; Fort Knight, LLC; Excel Hotel Services, Inc. d/b/a Excel & Associates; Accra-Temp, Inc.; BFZ Electric LLC; AMCO Group Inc. t/a Bell Contractors; Generation Drywall, Inc.; Marjam Supply Co., Inc. a/k/a Marjam Supply Company; Electrical Contractors, Inc.; TJN Development LLC; Karpet Partners Inc.; Crest Mechanical Services, Inc.; and KMAF Associates, LLC d/b/a ProSource of Hartford in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

101 Pope Park Highway (Volume 5617 Page 96) owned by SNE Hartford LLC, owing \$212,668.30. Eastern Bank in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

216 Jefferson Street a/k/a 216-218 Jefferson Street (Volume 3729 Page 248) owned by SS/JP, LLC, owing \$28,978.71. Celso Marques in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

1128 Broad Street a/k/a 1128-1130 Broad Street (Volume 8041 Page 35) owned by SS/MP, LLC, owing \$39,805.30.

116-118 Putnam Street (Volume 3801 Page 46) owned by SS/PP, LLC, owing \$51,680.01.

123 Lawrence Street a/k/a 123-125 Lawrence Street (Volume 4395 Page 349) owned by Leszek Schoenborn and SS/PP, LLC, owing \$40,678.65.

126 Ward Street (Volume 3428 Page 118) owned by SS/WP, LLC, owing \$44,386.14.

75 Ward Street a/k/a 75-77 Ward Street a/k/a 75-79 Ward Street (Volume 3428 Page 116) owned by SS/WP, LLC, owing \$58,931.63.

46 Mansfield Street (Volume 6572 Page 303) owned by Dwight Teal, Dawn P. Teal, Darryl Teal, Dwayne Teal, and Drew Teal, owing \$30,640.17. Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

74 Kibbe Street a/k/a 74-76 Kibbe Street (Volume 2013 Page 285) owned by Mary E. Tracey, owing \$108,066.52. Providian Builder's of Connecticut, LLC and KeyBank, N.A. as successor to First Federal Savings and Loan Association of East Hartford in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

31 Wolcott Street a/k/a 31-33 Wolcott Street (Volume 7148 Page 247 LESS parcel known as 35-37 Wolcott Street) owned by Jeanne Anicia Voltaire, owing \$30,486.84. Rosenblit Enterprises, LLC and Mark Rosenblit in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

44 Hungerford Street a/k/a 44-46 Hungerford Street (Volume 4306 Page 101) owned by Isaac Edwards and VP Property Management LLC, owing \$9,578.05. JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A.; Money Market Mortgage, LLC; and Global Funding Group, LLC in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

50 Deerfield Avenue a/k/a 50-52 Deerfield Avenue (Volume 1852 Page 176) owned by Estate of George Walker, owing \$65,072.42. Kimberly Walker; Glaston Walker; David Walker; Cynthia Walker; Marvia Walker; James Greene; Bank of America, N.A. as successor to Bank of Boston Connecticut, a State Bank and Trust Company; the Connecticut Department of Revenue Services; the United States Internal Revenue Service; and the surviving spouse and heirs of George Walker may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

806 Windsor Street a/k/a 806-808 Windsor Street ("First Parcel" and "Second Parcel" at Volume 7108 Page 69) owned by Windsor Street Associates LLC and R&R Connecticut Ventures LLC, owing \$76,285.34. Windsor Lending Trust and Mountain View Landscape, LLC in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

818 Windsor Street (Third Parcel at Volume 7108 Page 69) owned by Windsor Street Associates LLC and R&R Connecticut Ventures LLC, owing \$39,866.88. Windsor Lending Trust and Mountain View Landscape, LLC in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

1 Congress Street a/k/a 1-9 Congress Street (Volume 7620 Page 296) owned by Wise Equities Congress St LLC, owing \$75,952.37. Park National Capital Funding, LLC and Gelt LLC in addition to those listed below may have interests which will be extinguished by the sale.

TLOA, Inc.; TLOA Acquisitions, LLC a/k/a TLOA Acquisitions, LLC – Series 1; Propel Financial 1, LLC; PFS Financial 1, LLC; American Tax Funding, LLC; ATFH Real Property LLC; Lienclear-0001, LLC; Centennial Bank as successor to Regent Bank; Plymouth Park Tax Services LLC d/b/a XSPAND; U.S. Bank, Custodian; REOCO, LLC; Optimum Asset Management, LLC; Neff Companies, LLC d/b/a REI Holdings; Cheswold (TL), LLC BMO Harris Bank, as Secured Party; VMF TL1, LLC; TLF National Tax Lien Trust 2017-1; CT Tax Liens 1, LLC; CT Tax Liens 2, LLC; CT Tax Liens 3, LLC; CT Tax Liens 4, LLC; CT Tax Liens 5, LLC; Empire VII Connecticut Portfolio, LLC a/k/a MTAG Cust For Empire VII CT Portfolio; and the Metropolitan District may also have interests in all or any of these properties which will be extinguished by the sale in addition to those listed above.

The dollar amounts listed are through the end of last month. Additional taxes, interest, fees, and other charges authorized by law accruing after the last day of the month immediately preceding this notice are owed in addition to the amount indicated as due and owing in this notice.

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. Bidders must present \$5,000 per property in certified funds payable to "Pullman & Comley, Trustee" on the day of the sale, and the winning bidder must pay the balance of the sale price within 4 days or forfeit that deposit. Bids will not be accepted from anyone who owes delinquent taxes to the City personally or through an affiliated entity. Absent a redemption, the purchaser will take title "free and clear" six months after the auction except for certain encumbrances. Details at www.cttaxsales.com.

El Informativo Latino

DOT propone requisitos para que aerolíneas cubran gastos y compensen a pasajeros por retrasos y cancelaciones de sus viajes

Departamento de Transporte de EE. UU. (DOT, por sus siglas en inglés) anunció hoy planes para lanzar una nueva normativa que tiene como objetivo exigir a las aerolíneas que brinden una compensación y cubran los gastos de servicios como comidas, hoteles y cambios de reserva cuando las aerolíneas son responsables de dejar varados a los pasajeros.

DOT haría que la compensación y los servicios de los pasajeros fueran obligatorios para que los viajeros sean atendidos cuando las aerolíneas causen interrupciones en los vuelos.

La completa Declaración de Derechos de los Pasajeros de Aerolíneas de Blumenthal, que presentó en enero con EE. UU. Senadores Edward J. Markey (D-



El senador Richard Blumenthal (D-CT), autor de la Declaración de Derechos de los Pasajeros de las Aerolíneas, emitió la siguiente declaración después de que la Administración Biden anunciara que el Departamento de Transporte de los Estados Unidos (DOT) planea iniciar una normativa para exigir a las aerolíneas que compensen a los pasajeros por los retrasos y cancelaciones dentro del control de una aerolínea: después de un impulso del DOT de dos años para mejorar la experiencia de los pasajeros, las diez aerolíneas más grandes garantizan comidas y cambios de reserva gratuitos en la misma aerolínea y nueve garantizan alojamiento en hoteles como parte del Tablero de servicio al cliente de aerolíneas del Departamento.

DOT amplió el tablero hoy en FlightRights.Gov para resaltar qué aerolíneas actualmente ofrecen compensación en efectivo, otorgan cupones o créditos de viaje, o otorgan millas de viajero frecuente cuando causan retrasos o cancelaciones de vuelos. La reglamentación planificada del

MA), Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI), Bob Casey (D-PA), Ron Wyden (D-OR) y Bernie Sanders (I-VT), se asegurarían de que las aerolíneas proporcionen a los pasajeros una compensación justa, reembolsos y recursos en caso de retrasos y cancelaciones de vuelos causados por las aerolíneas, exigirían que las aerolíneas paguen a los El texto de la factura se puede encontrar aquí.

La reglamentación planificada tiene como objetivo abordar:

- Compensación a los pasajeros cuando haya una cancelación de la aerolínea controlable o un retraso significativo;
- Una comida o un cupón de comida, alojamiento durante la noche, transporte terrestre desde y hacia el hotel y cambio de reserva por retrasos o cancelaciones controlables;
- Servicio al cliente oportuno durante y después de períodos de irregularidades generalizadas en los vuelos; y
- Definición de cancelación o retraso controlable.



Discusión sobre violencia doméstica

El miércoles 3 de mayo, María Ortiz del Consejo de Salud Hispano llevó a cabo un debate comunitario sobre la violencia doméstica y el tráfico en la sucursal de Park Street de la Biblioteca Pública de Hartford. (Foto por Wilfredo Ayala)



Feliz Cumpleaños

Sr. Felipe Castillo quien celebró su cumpleaños junto a sus hijos y familiares. Les deseamos muchas felicidades de parte de Hartford, La Diferente Radio y toda su familia. By Iris Rodriguez



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Katz Commentary

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er fiasco land grab currently in progress.)

I am a friend in spirit and in person and I'm proud to know that my family's land is now being used for

good purposes because of the foundation. And when I suggest that I want the land returned, I believe there should not be any inconvenience to the Knox Foundation. They are innocent to this theft of private property. Indeed, Betty Knox,

founder and funder of the Knox Foundation, was one of the few councilwomen at the time who agreed with my father's legal challenge.

And if we think that history doesn't repeat itself, today we are witnessing another attempted theft of land; this time it's the 100 year old Brainard Airport. Again, corrupt politicians behind the scenes are attempting yet another land grab. And I will be naming names in future installments of this fight. Corrupt politicians are born every day or maybe they are just reincarnated, God forbid. They walk among us today with big smiles on their faces. And some don't smile at all. And one such unsmiling corrupt politician will soon be revealed. Stay tuned.

This is hereby a public announcement and an opening salvo as to the wrong that the City of Hartford did to my family and I intend to negotiate reparations.

More to come including perhaps building in the near future, a small living structure on said stolen lands. I would like to establish an animal shelter dedicated to fostering cats (and Katz, too). The shelter will be called, "Meow for Now." Hartford has no facilities to rescue felines and we are long overdue.

Goshdigian Commentary

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down here to do traffic control. After 35 minutes since my journey had begun 2 1/2 miles away, I pulled into my driveway to the sight of 3 police officers and a couple of cruisers parked there, and walked over to talk to them. One of my neighbors was standing there and I found out that she'd been in the turn lane to the driveway with her signal on when a motorcyclist heading south had swerved around her and hit the driver's side of her car, leaving some minor damage to her vehicle; the biker lost a wheel and a side mirror—good! The cops all said the same thing, that the police force numbers were down and they didn't have the coverage to do traffic control, while right next door, riders and drivers continuously poured into Colt Park, including a few kids about 10 years old, illegally driving motorbikes. The noise level was through the roof, with screeching tires, constant revving, and pounding high-decibel beats, and it continued until late that night and on into early morning with no letup, in spite of the park being closed at sundown. Again, there was no police presence clearing out the crowd.

Residents in this part of town

have had to withstand the "Invasion of the Sleep-snatchers" every summer for years now, resulting in days and nights that take a toll on physical, mental, and emotional health, as well as being a threat to our safety. It's an apparently city-sanctioned free-for-all where our street has been designated Hartford's "Anything Goes" zone; no violations enforcement...ever. Will it take a class-action suit against the city by local residents who've been negatively affected? Additionally, it's caused ongoing problems and damage in Colt Park, negating the millions of dollars of work done there over recent years to upgrade it and make it a welcoming oasis for family outings and sports events, not a bunch of yahoos who don't give a rat's ass about anything except continuing their own law-breaking hedonism. What say you, Sam and Elizabeth Colt? The mayor, the council, and HPD need to step up and keep some semblance of peace in these parts. as well as other affected areas of the city (You have the green light to laugh here). The administration's attitude continues to be "Enforcement? We don't need no stinkin' enforcement!" All they need (and want) are more warm bodies to move into Hartford and fill up the overpriced housing that proliferates here, and screw the residents. Yeah, that's the ticket.

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Court of Probate, Hartford Regional Children's Probate Court District

NOTICE TO
Abadi Antonio Andino Torres 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 June 12, 2023 at 11:20 AM on a petition for Removal of Guardian of the Person concerning a certain minor child born on February 28, 2010. 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,
 Assistant Clerk

State of Connecticut

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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 June 12, 2023 at 11:40 AM on a petition for Removal of Guardian of the Person concerning a certain minor child born on August 8, 2005. 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.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF
Jose M. Laureano
(23-00384)

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated April 26, 2023, 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.

Michael P. Livieratos,
 Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is:
 Rosa Rios,
 254 Victoria Road,
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News Briefs

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is available to residents of Windsor, Bloomfield and Hartford. \$20.00 cash per-animal. Dogs must be on a leash and cats must be in a carrier. Sick animals will not be vaccinated based on veterinarian's discretion. Proof of previous rabies vaccination (rabies certificate) is required for a 3- year rabies vaccination. Otherwise, animals will receive a 1-year vaccination. Services provided by Windsor, Bloomfield and Hartford Animal Control along with Connecticut Mobile Veterinary Services. Questions? 860-219-9832, Windsor Animal Shelter.

City Council To Host Neighborhood Assistance Act Hearing May 15

A hybrid public hearing will be held on Monday, May 15, at 6:00pm to allow interested citizens an opportunity to express their opinions regarding the Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) proposals submitted to the City for fiscal year 2023-2024. The hybrid public hearing will be held via the Zoom platform and in person at City Hall. This hearing will be streamed and broadcast by Hartford Public Access Television. The Neighborhood Assistance Act (NAA) is a program of the State Department of Revenue Services (DRS)

designed to encourage funding for municipal and tax-exempt organizations by providing a corporation business tax credit for businesses wishing to make cash contributions to qualifying entities. Up to \$5 million in tax credits will be made available in the State of Connecticut through the 2023 NAA program.

SoDo NRZ Meets May 17

The SoDo (South Downtown) NRZ will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, May 17 from 6 - 7:15 pm at First Presbyterian Church, 136 Capitol Avenue, Downtown Hartford. The meeting will include reports from Hartford NEXT, the Community Garden, and the Outreach and Social Committees, reports from HPD, HFD, and MDC on activity in the neighborhood, and updates from various City offices such as Community Engagement, Planning & Development Services, and Sustainability. For more information, please Email SoDoNRZ@gmail.com.

KNOX Spring Fever Planting May 20

Get down and dirty with KNOX, Inc. on Saturday, May 20, for Spring Fever: Plant the Planter Pt. 2. Volunteers can help plant seedlings from 9:00 AM-11:00 AM or 11:00 AM-1:00 PM at the KNOX Greenhouse, 75 Laurel Street, Hartford, CT 06106

(Greenhouse 2). Volunteers will help transplant thousands of plants into the KNOX Planters. Volunteers may be asked to work inside or outside, so please dress accordingly. Parking will be available in the back, gravel lot. Carpooling is recommended for this event due to the high volume of participants. In case of inclement weather, we will make the call no later than 4 hours prior to the event to cancel or reschedule. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/2s49eevv>

Urban League Job Expo May 31

The Urban League of Greater Hartford (ULGH) will host its 2023 Employment Empowerment Expo on Wednesday, May 31, from 12-3 pm at Dunkin' Park, 1214 Main Street, Downtown Hartford. The event will include on-site interviews, professional headshots, career-focused workshops, men's suits & accessories, resume assistance and more. For more information, go to: <http://bit.ly/ulghcareerfair2023>.

Ang's Walk for Cancer Research June 11

On Sunday, June 11, "Ang's Warrior Walk," a fundraiser for lung cancer awareness and research will be held in Bushnell Park in Downtown Hartford. All proceeds will go directly to lung

oncologist Mark Awad's research fund at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. The walk is being held in honor of Angela Marotta Inho, daughter of former State Representative Al Marotta. Although healthy and a non-smoker, Angela was diagnosed with stage IV lung cancer in December 2017. After a hard

struggle against the disease, she passed away in January 2021. Registration starts at 8:30 am at the Pumphouse and the walk itself will start at 9:45 am and last approximately 45 minutes - 1 hour. It will also be followed by a raffle. The donation to join in the walk is \$25. To register, go to: ami-foundation.com/event

Hartford Taste

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The Hartford, which insures nearly 1.5 million small business customers, is once again covering all vendor fees so restaurants can participate for free.

"The Hartford has a proud history of supporting the city of Hartford, which we've called home for 213 years," said Stephanie Bush, head of Small Commercial and Personal Lines insurance. "As a leading provider of small business insurance, we also recognize the passion and dedication required for small business owners to succeed. This event is an exciting way to bring the community together to spotlight the many talented small business owners in our region, while building on the vibrancy and economic momentum happening in our hometown."

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
ESTATE OF
Patricia Ann Mitchell
(23-00346)

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated April 20, 2023, 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.

Michael P. Livieratos,
 Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is:
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