

Statewide Mental Health Awareness Fair at Science Center Saturday

The State Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, Wheeler Clinic and other mental healthcare providers will cap off National Prevention Week (NPW) 2024 with a free statewide fair this Saturday, May 18, from 11 am - 3 pm on the grounds of the CT Science Center, 250 Columbus Boulevard, Downtown Hartford.

The purpose of NPW is to raise awareness

and provide information on mental health issues and programs to treat them, particularly substance misuse disorders.

Mental health gained renewed attention during the Coronavirus pandemic and the ongoing opioid addiction crisis.

At Saturday's event, there will be photo opportunities with Stella the Starfish, an appearance by children's author Laurel

Lorenzini, therapy dogs, mental health information booths, prevention trivia and much more. You can also check out the Change the Script and Play CT vans. To provide a centralized location for information regarding mental health, Wheeler Clinic created Connecticut Clearinghouse, a statewide library and resource center for information on substance misuse and mental health disorders, prevention

and health promotion, treatment and recovery, wellness, and other related topics. Materials from its specialized library and resource center are available to Connecticut families, teachers, students, professionals, communities, and children. Connecticut Clearinghouse is funded by the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services. Learn more: www.ctclearinghouse.org.

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SINA Honors Student Authors

On Wednesday, May 8, the Southside Neighborhoods Neighborhood Alliance (SINA) and Hartford Public Library (HPL) held its annual REACH Young Authors Awards Ceremony and Book Signing at HPL's Park Street Branch. The theme of this year's program was disability awareness. The keynote speaker was Amanda Russell, author of the book, *Jacob Learns to Fly*, which is about her son, who has severe autism. She is shown here (rear, second from left) with some of this year's young authors. The winning books were: *All About Blindness*, written and illustrated by Mercy Hsee Zar (Maria Sanchez Elementary School); *A Tale of Two Friends*, written by Jennyeliz Fontanez and Wilson Escalente MorLES, ILLUSTRATIONS BY SHANIYAH JELICIANO AND DAILY vELzque Garcia (all students in the Hispanic Health Council's after-school program at Sanchez School); *Charlie's Broken Leg*, written by Victor Rojas and Jonathan Vlelez, illustrated by Randy Gonzalez and Adrien Jimenez (Hispanic Health Council's after-school program at Sanchez School); *Don't Deny It, Defy It!*, written by Kaiden Baptiste, illustrated by Kaiden and Marley Williams (CREC Ana Grace Academy); *Millie And Roofus*, written and illustrated by Eliana Rios Segui, Olivia Starr And Ava Marques (Crec Montessori Magnet School); *Alex*, written and illustrated by Viyankhaa Satish Kumar (East Hartford Magnet School); *Charlie and the Spelling Bee*, written and illustrated by Myah Cruz (Sanchez School); *Delilah is Dyslexic*, written by Aakiyah Lawrence, illustrated by Jomyra Lawrence, illustrated by Jomya Valentin (Noah Webster School); *Fly Bird Fly?*, written and illustrated by Olivia Leroux (CREC Montessori Magnet School); *My Voice*, written Nathaniel Reid, illustrated by Micah Vernon, Jayvion Butler and Zackary Perez (CREC Ana Grace Academy); *Rainbow Smile*, written and illustrated by Ahaya Gupta (Betances Elementary School); *The Cat with Three Legs*, written and illustrated by Ashly Tema and Joniel Navarro Cintron (Hispanic Health Council's after-school program at Sanchez School)

Tisane Cafe Closes

For 24 years it was the quintessential West End eatery and meeting place: eclectic, trendy and a little on the pricey side. But now memories are all that's on the menu at Tisane Euro-Asian Café.

The Farmington Avenue restaurant closed its doors for good this Monday, May 13. Like many restaurants around the region and across the country, Tisanes was never able to fully recover from the loss of business caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic of 2020, although it retained a core of loyal patrons who enjoyed the diversity of its clientele as well as its food and beverages. Many expressed their sadness at the restaurant's closing on Facebook.

"You did exactly what you set out to do and you deserve to be celebrated for your invaluable contribution to Hartford. Thank you for being truly inclusive. Tisane, in its heyday, was a welcoming space to ALL. Thank you for collaborating with artists and art spaces, and for making space for art. Thank you for taking food seriously:

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Hartford...Once Upon a Time



Hartford once had about a movie theater in virtually every neighborhood. The Colonial was located in the West End on Farmington Avenue. The theater opened in September 1926. and among those in attendance, or so he claimed, was my father; Dr. William E. Hart (he was only 19 months old at the time and not yet a doctor). He said It was his earliest memory and had stuck in his mind because the band that played at the grand opening were all dressed as Eskimoes, for reasons known only to themselves at the time and to absolutely no one now. In the photo above, the theater lists "Lost At The Front" as currently playing, so it was taken in 1927. The Colonial operated successfully for many years, but the advent of television in the 1950s signaled its ultimate demise. It struggled on until 1984, when the theater finally went dark. In the early 2000s developers planned to raze the building, but preservationists opposed the plan. Eventually, a compromise was settled upon. The exterior of the building was retained, but the interior became a restaurant, which didn't last long. The elegantly designed building still remains on Farmington Avenue, but is currently vacant. (Photo courtesy of the Hartford History Center; Hartford Public Library)

NEWS BRIEFS

Volunteers for Hyland Park Clean-up Saturday

A community clean-up of HYLAND PARK and ROCKY RIDGE PARK -will be held this SATURDAY, MAY 18, from 9am - 1 pm. Volunteers are asked to meet in the parking lot of Hyland Early Learning Center, 355 New Britain Avenue, Hartford. cleaning supplies will be provided.

Fishing Day in Keney Park Saturday

The annual BUTCH LEWIS FISHING Day will be held on Saturday, MAY 18th, from 10 am - 3 pm, by the Keney Park Pond House, The event is sponsored by He Butch Lewis One Love Foundation, the Friends Of Keney Park, the City of Hartford and Voices of Women of Color. All are welcome.

Workshop on New River Park Saturday

On Saturday, May 18, Riverfront Recapture will hold a community meeting on the design of its new park on the Hartford-Windsor line from 12 - 2 pm at Parker Memorial Community Center, 2621 Main Street, Hartford. The public is invited to see the developing vision plan for the future park, and share their feedback with Riverfront staff and the park design team. The vision plan incorporates feedback from previous community workshops, pop-ups, and survey responses. This workshop will include a brief presentation at 12:30, with art activities, interactive games, and snacks from 12 - 2 pm. Future park users of all ages and abilities are welcome at this free event.

Free Yoga Classes in City Parks

Yoga in Our City is back again this year and will run from this Saturday, May 18, through Sunday, October 13 at various Hartford parks. This year's schedule is:

- Sundays: Colt Park, 10 am
- Mondays: Bushnell Park, 5:30 pm
- Tuesdays: Elizabeth Park, 5:30 pm
- Wednesdays: Bushnell Park, 5:30 pm
- Thursdays: Elizabeth Park, 5:30 pm
- Fridays: Pope Park, 5:30 pm
- Saturdays: Keney Park, 10 am

All classes are free, all skill levels welcome.

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The Silver Screen Was Housed in Velvet

Remembering when Hartford went to the movies

BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

Once upon a time there were 15 thriving movie theaters in Hartford that provided an important source of entertainment. From the early 1920s until the late 1960s, whatever city neighborhood you lived in you were within walking distance of a theater—all of them single-screen—that were open 7 days a week for both matinees and evening shows. It wasn't uncommon to see lines of movie-goers snaking far down the sidewalks that led to the ticket-seller's booth just outside the entrance. In the Downtown area alone there

were nine, five of them on Main Street (the Strand, Loew's Poli, Loew Poli Palace, the Crown, and the Star/Daly); two on Asylum Street (the Allyn and E.M. Loew's); and two on State Street (the Princess and the Regal). Park Street boasted the Lyric in

Frog Hollow, as well as the Rivoli in Parkville. In the North End was the Lenox on Albany Avenue, and in the West End the Colonial on Farmington Avenue, later renamed Cinerama. Southwest Hartford held the Webster theater on Webster Street, and Franklin Avenue in the South End was home to the Rialto (later the Art that originally showed foreign movies and then switched to X-rated).

The largest and by far the most glamorous of the Downtown theaters was the Strand, right across the street from G. Fox—Hartford's and Connecticut's premier department store. It was the showplace theater until the mid-1960s, and one of the first movie houses to have a first-run one-feature show (the other theaters all had double-features) at the highest prices in the city. In 1959 Ben Hur, a 3 1/2-hour epic with intermission ran for a long time there.

Admission was the then-outrageous price of \$1.50. In the late '60s and early '70s, the Strand turned to violent films and exploitation movies, some accompanied with raunchy stage shows in a last-ditch attempt to survive before falling victim to Downtown redevelopment. The Crown on Main Street near South Green was the place to see monster-horror movies—Frankenstein, Dracula, Godzilla, King Kong and others in those genres. They did a great kiddie matinee business on weekends with their double features.

both ends of Park Street, and Lincoln Dairy's nearby.

Back to Main Street, the interior of the Loew Poli Palace was stunning. Heavy velvet curtains covered the movie screen and parted slowly to reveal the opening of the show. The enormous lobby and staircases to the mezzanine and balcony were marble-floored, and the railings and trim were gleaming brass. It was a true "movie palace". Weekend movie nights in Hartford were the prime spot for dating couples, including teens, although many of them chose

to have their date at one of the three closest Drive-Ins—Blue Hills, the Pike, and Berlin. In the late 1960s and 1970s, the Cinestudio movie theater at Trinity College had very popular midnight shows, also double features, and usually black & white classics from an earlier era—the Marx

Brothers, Bogart, Hitchcock, etc. And in the early 1970s at the Wadsworth Atheneum theater, they held a Bette Davis film festival that was a huge draw resulting in full houses at every performance with movie-goers arriving from all over the state. Cinema City in the South Meadows—now long gone—had a great run for many years. They started with X-rated but then moved on to indies, and foreign films, upping their game and attracting folks from all over greater Hartford. I moonlighted there as a ticket-seller back in the 1980s.

Cinestudio is still around, as is the Wadsworth. Real Art Ways shows films, and there's a multi-screen theater on New Park Avenue. But to this "old Hartford" kid, nothing today can touch the immersive movie-going experience that I and most boomers grew up on. Good memories. Finis.



So did the two Park Street theaters where I spent just about every Saturday afternoon of my childhood along with my cousins. When I say "afternoon", I'm talking about 4 or 5 hours in the dark that began with previews of coming attractions, several cartoons, episodes of adventure series, comedy short subjects, and then the two full-length movies. Those shows were always "continuous," which meant you paid your admission and could stay as long as you wanted, even seeing the entire program twice. In the early 1960s if you had a dollar you were golden; matinee admission was 35 cents, popcorn with extra butter 25 cents, soda 15 cents, and candy a dime each. When you exited the building in the late afternoon and came out into the sunlight it took a while to adjust your eyes to the brightness. But the day wasn't over because there were 5 & 10s to explore on



Frank Ahern: A Good Friend Lost

A few people stand out while sitting in the last pews for mass at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph. Frank Ahern was one of those people: unassuming, always respectful and a great friend to many.

Remember Peter Dolan? Peter was one of the musicians who joined in the traditional Irish music sessions at the now closed McKinnon's Pub on Asylum Street in Downtown Hartford. Peter would start his traditional song and the noisy bar would quiet down to listen to a tune right out of the Eagle Tavern in New York City. Peter passed away and your servant somehow got the responsibility of caring for his remains and possessions. What to do? Call Frank Ahern and with no fuss he told us exactly what to do. One less heartache.

Frank was there for us again when Marguerite, your reporter's wife, passed. Another call to Frank and another smooth comforting conversation, and soon everything was handled in a fair and caring way. Just the memory of that day brings a tear to the eye and pride in the way everything was handled in marking Marguerite's passing.

However, nothing lasts forever. Last Friday, Frank Ahern, Jr. passed away. Our fair city, the Cathedral and the Asylum Hill neighborhood will all miss him and his many years of service to those in every station of life, and death.

Quietly, without fanfare, Frank supported many interests, businesses families and individuals.

For example, the Cathedrals renown musical presentations over the years would not have been possible without the support of the Ahern Funeral Home. And there are many other examples, like the flowers that decorated the corner of Farmington Avenue and Sigourney Street every season, which brought joy to so many pedestrians, drivers and bus riders over the years.

We certainly hope Ahern's Funeral Home will continue to serve the Cathedral of Saint Joseph, the Asylum Hill community and the Greater Hartford region.

Again, nothing lasts forever. Arthur's ("Arthur, Arthur, Always Open, Never Closed") is now a dollar store. The Aetna Training Center, became the Hastings Hotel. Now it's a big empty, building. Connecticut Mutual Insurance on the top of Asylum Hill once thrived with activity; now it's an empty shell. Finn's Supermarket, Scoler's Restaurant, the Comet Diner have all disappeared too.

Ahern's Funeral Home outlasted them all, serving the grand and the not so grand, the famous and the unknown with compassion and class.

Well, farewell old friend. Your memory will live on forever with us old hands.

His full obituary was printed in the Hartford Courant on Wednesday and also through Ahern Funeral Home, 180 Farmington Avenue, Hartford, CT 06105.

Where There's Smoke...

City Council considers prohibiting smoking around playscapes and splash pads

BY DONNA SWARR

On Monday, May 20th, there will be a 7 p.m. City Council public hearing for residents to weigh in on a proposed ordinance prohibiting smoking at city playgrounds and playscapes. The resolution was proposed by Councilors Bilodeau, Clark, Surgeon, Rossetti, Rosado, and Gale. Clearly, it already has a lot of support. When the topic was brought to the Park and Recreation Advisory Commission many commissioners felt that we already have so many rules about park use which are ignored and not enforced, that it didn't gain a lot of support. At the following meeting Commissioner Hyacinth Yennie asked us to reconsider. I said that I would speak in favor as after some thought. I realized that one of the most effective strategies to curb dog waste in Colt Park was via the installation of dog waste bag dispensers. It reminded people to clean up after their dogs and provided bags as an incentive. It isn't 100% effective, but has made a big improvement. So, using the same strategy, this ordinance with some reminders should be equally effective. I think we're all well aware of the health risks associated with smoking, but in this case, it

really is a reminder that children don't get to decide; they are adversely impacted by second-hand smoke. Many of our youth have asthma, and smoke is a real problem for them. I did a quick search to see how other towns and cities were handling this issue. I was amazed at how long others had prohibited smoking in parks – not just around playscapes and splash pads. Some only allow smoking in parking areas. Some started as early as 2014. The list of other places in Connecticut is just too long to note.

My other thought is the way in which we'd inform people of this new rule. I would like the Council to review other towns' signage. I know that Wethersfield put up the traditional rectangular signs in their parks with the ordinance numbers. I'm not sure if that's going to be noticed. We'll need to have a place for people to put out their cigarettes to remind them, too. I think we can all agree that second-hand smoke around children is unacceptable. Let's support this new proposal by not smoking around children outside as well as inside. And if you see someone, please nicely and respectfully, remind them.

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BOE Member Against Honorary Grads On Stage With Regular Grads

COMMENTARY BY WALT KIENIA

By now, the story is a familiar one, as is the Hartford Schools Board of Education's clumsiness in handling most issues which come before them. The story is about 76-year-old Hartford resident Mike Fothergill and his quest to be awarded a Hartford High School diploma after a questionable and unheard-of lifetime expulsion from Hartford Public Schools in 1968. Spearheading the assistance of Mr. Fothergill in this quest has been Anne Goshdigian of the Hartford News and Steve Goode of the CT Insider, both of whom have combined for several published stories detailing the injustice handed Mr. Fothergill. Along with keeping the issue in the public eye over the past year, Goshdigian and Goode brought Mr. Fothergill before the BOE during last month's Regular Meeting to plead his case and tell his

Feeling the heat by the work of Goshdigian and Goode, the BOE began to draft a new graduation policy for HPS in October of 2023, and passed that new graduation policy in November of 2023. The revised policy contained language allowing the BOE to award an honorary degree to individuals with 50 years of service to Hartford, an unneeded addition since state law has allowed such a degree to be awarded since at least 2016. Based on state law, Mr. Fothergill could have received an honorary diploma from the board long before they tackled a revision of current board policy. And then came a BOE Committee of the Whole Meeting earlier this month where we learned that after nearly a year of fiddling with the idea and reality of a policy, now the board must come up with a process for carrying out a policy approved by the board six months ago. We'll all be 76 before this is ready for prime time!

At the May 1st meeting, the board was presented with a draft application for folks who may be requesting an honorary diploma from HPS (and with this presen-

tation the BOE is in violation of state law Section 10-220 (g), which states that any document given to the BOE for review must be attached to the online agenda. The application, two weeks later, is not attached to the agenda. Amateurs. And, signaling further delay in Mr. Fothergill's quest, outgoing board member Rigueur (he's being replaced by Mayor Arulampalam) suggested perhaps a board subcommittee should be created to handle the thousands of possible honorary diploma applications which will be flooding BOE offices when and if they make the application available to the public. This proposed subcommittee would handle the reviewing of each application and possibly, according to Rigueur, a "rubric for scoring" applications may have to be created so the board can determine who does and who doesn't qualify for an honorary diploma. Jesus! In addition to discussing the honorary diploma application at this meeting, the board also had discussion on whether it would be appropriate to award an honorary diploma during the regular graduation ceremony for high school seniors.

Board liaison Christina Santiago stated that it was her understanding that any honorary diploma would be awarded during a BOE meeting. Board member Browdy stated that colleges and universities which award honorary diplomas do so during regular graduation ceremonies, not in "hide away" places, such as a BOE meeting. Outgoing board member Rigueur added even more time to the process when he suggested that they may have to get an opinion on the legality of honorary diplomas being awarded at regular graduation ceremonies.

Board Member Deristel-Leger had a different take on this issue. She thought it appropriate to clarify for Ms. Browdy that honorary degrees at the college level are not done by application, but rather by the recipient being "sought out" by the institution. This was her defending the regu-

lar public graduation ceremony presence of the honorary degree recipient at the college level. However, her point actually gives more credence to the applying individual than it does the "sought out" individual. Who is more deserving of a public ceremony, a person receiving an honorary degree based on being famous for something unrelated to the institution giving the degree, or a person who has spent time and energy meeting the qualifications required to apply for the honorary degree? Deristel-Leger also spoke against any HPS honorary diploma being awarded to a person during a regular graduation ceremony. Doing so, she stated, would steal the "light" and "attention" from graduating seniors.

I'd be willing to bet that every graduating senior at Hartford Public High would be thrilled and would welcome Mr. Fothergill's presence on their graduating stage. Allowing this would send the message to students that learning is a life-long process and should always be celebrated and not regarded as something less. Allowing honorary diploma recipients to march with the regular graduating class would be a public relations boon to a district in dire need of positive impressions. Doing so would allow Mr. Fothergill to experience a rite of passage that all young people are entitled to, which was apparently taken from him so long ago. This would also shine a light on the more than 50 years of Fothergill donating time and energy to the only community he has called home, while also sending a very positive message to graduating seniors on the value of community service. This whole process is turning out to be more laborious than planning the invasion of Normandy. Why couldn't the process discussion have been part of the policy formulation? Chew gum and walk at the same time much? Let the man have his diploma! Let the man march!



Miss Puerto Rico Fashion Show

On Saturday, May 11, the Greater Hartford Puerto Rican Parade held a Fashion Show fundraiser featuring the contestants in this year's Miss Puerto Rico - Hartford Cultural Pageant. The Pageant will be held Sunday, June 2 at 11:30 am at the Greater Hartford Academy of the Arts Theater at the Learning Corridor, corner of Washington and Vernon Streets. This year's contestants (and the towns in Puerto Rico that they are representing) are: **(LITTLE MISS):** Victoria Dean (Guayama); Arielis Guitierrez (Ponce); Kayra'elise Ingles (Santa Isabel); Isabel Acevedo (San Juan); Braneily's Rosario Montes (Vega Baja); Lyla Grace Arzuega (Yabucoa); **(PRE-TEEN):** Saniyah Gonzalez (Vega Alta); Jenalisse Rondini (Caguas); Jadalisse Morales (Cayey); Symphanie Garcia (Ponce); Jalena Guzman (San Juan); **(MISS PUERTO RICO):** Delmarys Padua Perez (Ponce); Jania Hamilton (San Juan); Liana Rivera (Dorado). The 2024 Greater Hartford Puerto Rican Day Parade will be held on Sunday, September 22, in Downtown Hartford.

Inside Hartford Sports By Nick Lebron

For Lucas and others, Tumbling Programs are needed in Hartford



Photo Courtesy of Martir family

Lucas Martir is your typical toddler in his terrific twos. He is learning all of the wonderful things a child needs at this stage of development. During these formative years parents are hyper focused on their child's socio-emotional, language, communication and brain development. However what Lucas parents were missing was his access to structured ways to help grow his physical and motor development.

As Hartford based parents they looked for athletic programming for Lucas and all that they could find was expensive programs in suburbs or town based ones where you have to live there. Lucas is always bursting with energy and is either walking, climbing, jumping or running. So his parents decided to do something about it and partnered with Active City here in Hartford to fill a need that has been overlooked in urban areas; athletic programming for toddlers.

The parents decided on a sport called tumbling. Tumbling is the foundation for any gymnastic program. The "baby" athletes will learn the basics of front and back rolls, cartwheels, round-offs, handstands and back bends. Lucas parents also took it a step further and learned directly from a veteran physical fitness instructor, Hartford's very own Coach Belucci. Research shows that tumbling will help toddlers develop into stronger flexible athletes who also have higher focus and concentration.

Lucas didn't set out to be a pioneer in baby athletics, he just wanted to play. If you want to sign up your child, either visit Active City webs

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Saturday, May 18 Happy Birthday Old State House!



Connecticut's Old State House, 700 Main Street, Downtown Hartford, will celebrate its 228th

birthday on Saturday, May 18th from 12:00 – 4:00 pm. This free event will feature a Spring Craft Market, activities for kids, and cake made by 2023 Election Cake Bake-Off winner Amy Hodder of Amy Cakes in Wallingford. Enjoy an outdoor concert with Jake Kulak and The Modern Vandals. This event is sponsored by The Bushnell. For more information visit www.ctoldstatehouse.org.

Saturday, May 18 Downtown Hartford Heritage Tour

Connecticut Landmarks will host the last in its series of Spring Heritage Walks on Saturday, May 18 with a stroll through the historic sites of Downtown Hartford. The tour will start at 10 am at the Butler-

McCook House, 396 Main Street, Hartford. Tickets are \$10/person and may be purchased at <https://ctlandmarks.org/event>.

Saturday, May 18 Rock the Patio at Parkville Market Saturday...and Come back for Celtic Sounds on Monday!

In addition to the best in local food, Parkville Market, 1400 Park Street, Hartford, also serves up some of the best local music around. From rock to pop to folk, there's something for everyone to enjoy. This Saturday, May 18, rock out to the sounds of ROOST at from 7 - 10 pm on the market's

patio (In the event of inclement weather, the show will go on in The Local on the market's second floor. If the lilting melodies of the Emerald Isle are more to your liking, stop by the market on Monday, May 20, enjoy a traditional Irish jam session in The Local from 6:30 - 8:30 pm.

Saturday, May 18 Civil War Tour of Zion Hill Cemetery

On Saturday, May 18, at 10am, the Friends of Zion Hill Cemetery, will hold the 2nd Annual Civil War Walking of Zion Hill. Join Mary A. Falvey, community historian and the Executive Director of the Hartford Preservation Alliance to hear some of the stories of the cemetery's Civil War veterans, from their war-time experiences to their lives back home. The tour will begin at the top of the hill. You may enter the cemetery at Zion and Ward and Zion Streets or Allen Place and Summit Street. Free and open to all.

May 16 - 19 Act Up Theater



Presents Grease

This May 16-19, Hartford's ActUp Theater will present one of America's most beloved musicals, Grease, in the auditorium of Martin Luther King School, 25 Ridgefield Street, Hartford. Set in the 1950s, the musical tells the tale of the romance between Sandy and Danny and includes songs such as "You're the One That I Want," "Greased Lightning," "Hopelessly Devoted to You," and "Look at Me, I'm Sandra Dee." Showtimes are 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 16; 6:30 pm on Friday, May 17; 2:00 pm and 6:30 pm on Saturday, May 18. and 2 pm on Sunday, May 19. For tickets, go to: <https://www.actuptheater.org/>.

Saturday, May 18 Meet Cedar Hill's Remarkable Women

Meet the extraordinary women buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery on a special tour this Saturday, starting at 10 am. Learn about their struggles and triumphs in a time when women were virtually second-class citizens. Cedar Hill Cemetery is located at 453 Fairfield Avenue on the Hartford-Weathersfield town line. Debbie Alter introduces you to Virginia Thrall Smith, Isabella Beecher Hooker, Anne Tracy Morgan and more on this walking tour. Admission: \$10.00; Members Free. Register at: [\[foundation.org/event/remarkable-women/\]\(https://foundation.org/event/remarkable-women/\)](https://cedarhill-</p>
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Saturday, May 18 Printmaking Workshop at CT Museum

The Connecticut Museum of History and Culture, One Elizabeth Street in Hartford, will hold a class in the basics of linocut printmaking from 1 - 4 pm on Saturday, May 18. In this workshop, led by folk artist Philitha Stempys-Cowdrey, you will be guided through the whole "block print" process: from designing a pattern, transferring, carving, testing and printing your design to take home. No printmaking experience required, and people of all artistic abilities are welcome. Even if you think you can't draw, you can print! All the tools and materials will be provided; however, participants are encouraged to bring any print making tools they wish to use. This workshop will be structured for the beginner, but all levels of expertise are encouraged to register! Suitable for ages 16 and up. Cost is \$30. Questions? Contact Natalie Belanger, Adult Programs Manager, at nbelanger@connecticutmuseum.org.

Sunday, May 19 Sunday Serenades at the Wadsworth

Members of the Hartford Symphony Orchestra perform a concert at 2 pm at the Wadsworth Atheneum, 600 Main Street, Downtown Hartford. The musicians will perform works celebrating the 90th anniversary of the Wadsworth's Avery Memorial building. Hear a selection of chamber works inspired by composers from the Wadsworth's archive. Stop by the museum library at 1pm before the performance for a special look behind the scenes with Amy Kilkenny, head of the Auerbach Art Library and Museum Archives, as she shares rarely seen historical materials from the Wadsworth's expansive archive.



Starts Next Friday Salsa Socials Return to Pratt St.

This summer, the Hartford Business Improvement District will once again host one of Hartford's most popular events: Pratt Street Salsa Socials. In past years, the event has attracted as many as 600 people to Pratt Street. This year, Salsa Socials will be held monthly from 5 - 8 pm on Friday nights:

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- ✓ Children's Author Laurel Lorenzini
- ✓ Therapy Dogs
- ✓ Prevention Trivia
- ✓ Youth Performance
- ✓ Resource Tables
- ✓ Change the Script & Responsible Play CT Vans

- **Friday, May 24**
- **Friday, June 21**
- **Friday, July 26**
- **Friday, August 16**
- **Friday, September 20**

Hartford.com Pratt Street Salsa Socials are free and open to the general public. In the event of rain, Salsa Socials will take place the following Saturday night. For more information about the Pratt Street Salsa Socials visit Hartford.com/salsa.

Sunday, June 2
Learn the Art of Sikh Turban Tying

Stop by “Hair’s Tangled Histories,” the new exhibit at the Wadsworth Atheneum, 600 Main Street, Downtown Hartford to learn about Sikh hair traditions and experience a turban-tying demonstration at 1 pm with Gurmeet Kaur Singh and Prabhjit Singh Mutneja, members of the exhibition’s Community Advisory Board. They will be joined by others from the Gurdwara Guru Nanak Darbar, a Sikh temple in Southington, Connecticut. Free with admission.

Friday, June 7
& Saturday, June 8
Taste of Hartford Returns

Over 30 restaurants will be selling their food and beverages at the annual Taste of Hartford from 12 - 9 pm on both Friday, June 7 & Saturday, June 8, in Downtown Hartford on Pratt and Trumbull Streets. There will also be live music and art exhibits. Free admission. All welcome.

Tuesday, June 11
Discussion of the Mississippi River at the Twain House

Author Boyce Upholt will discuss his book *The Great River: The Making and Unmaking of the Mississippi* on Tuesday, June 11, at 7 pm at the Mark Twain House and Museum, 251 Farmington Avenue, Hartford. The book tells the epic story of this wild and unruly river, and the centuries of efforts to control it. The Mississippi River lies at the heart of America, an undeniable life force that is intertwined with the nation’s culture and history. Its watershed spans almost half the country, Mark Twain’s travels on the river inspired our first national literature, and jazz and blues were born in its floodplains and carried upstream. Carrying readers along the river’s last remaining backchannels, he explores how scientists are now hoping to restore what has been lost. The Great River delivers an account of what happens when we try to fight

against nature instead of acknowledging and embracing its power—a lesson that is all too relevant in our rapidly changing world.

Saturday, June 15
Amistad Center Juneteenth Celebration

The Amistad Center for Art & Culture will host its 33rd annual Juneteenth Celebration on Saturday, June 15, at the Wadsworth Atheneum Museum 600 Main Street, Downtown Hartford. There will be a VIP reception from 6 - 7 pm, followed by an awards presentation, dinner and dancing (including a New Orleans Second Line Parade at 8 pm. This year’s honorees are : The Hartford Insurance Company: Corporate Community Outreach; The Hartford Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated: Outstanding Commitment to Community Service; and · Andre Rochester, Artist, Contributions to the Arts. For tickets, go to: <https://my.onecause.com/event/organizations/7d5da79c-3a01-4a0a-802f-921fd82690d3/events/vevt:169426f6-a0b1-4152-8d11-a8912db522ea/home/story>. There will also be a sensory-friendly space with arts and crafts, legos, music and movement and other activities youth and young adults, and other neuro-divergent individuals. Admission is FREE --but REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED by emailing Grace Clark at gclark@amistadcenter.orgThe Amistad’s mission is to honor, preserve and celebrate the art and cultural contributions of all people of African descent. This historic event has become a national holiday commemorating the freedom of all enslaved people in the United States. It is the longest running celebration in Connecticut. The Amistad’s mission is to honor, preserve and celebrate the art and cultural contributions of all people of African descent. This historic event has become a national holiday commemorating the freedom of all enslaved people in the United States. It is the longest running celebration in Connecticut attracting corporate, legislators, community partners, and individuals passionate about supporting the arts and culture.

Saturday, June 15
Black Civil War Veterans to be honored

The Ha Rambee Association of Hartford will hold its annual Remembrance Ceremony Black soldiers who served in the U.S. Armed Forces throughout our nation’s history at Old North Cemetery. Several soldiers who served in the Connecticut 29th Colored Regiment in the American Civil War are buried at the cemetery. The event will start at the American Legion Hall at 821 Main Street at 10 am. Those attending will then walked down to the cemetery at 10:30 am. The ceremony itself is scheduled to start at 11 am. This event is free and open to the public.

Tisane Closes

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V, GF, DF and anything in between always had options. Thank you for making space on your staff for people who were otherwise pushed to the fringe, for people looking for a second chance, and kids looking for a role model. Thank you for saying out loud that this was a place for queer folk. Thank you for giving some of the best DJs in the area a platform.”

B Munoz

“I’m actually a little emotional; this is so bittersweet. Tisane was more than a place to grab tea, coffee, drinks, or food; it was a safe haven and safe space for souls from ALL walks of life to gather, vibe, chill, dance the night away, and or mix and mingle. No matter your race, background, religion, ethnicity, sexuality, orientation, gender identity or form of expression of self, Tisane welcomed you AS YOU ARE. Over the years I spent many nights on the dancefloor dropping it low, doing a little 2-step, whining my waist or just boppin’ my head to the sounds and beats of the dopest local DJ’s around Hartford. I’ve celebrated

many birthdays here, had date nights, meetups with friends and family, and made some amazing friendships and connections over the years. Tisane will always and forever have a place in my heart, always. Thank you for being a place and space that was inclusive, thank you for giving many of us a sense of community.”

Michael J. Forbes

I love Tisane and always will. So many amazing memories here. I appreciate the staff, community, and ownership that made it possible. Thank you so much for your work and love over 24 years. So sad to see you go but an extraordinary accomplishment.

Elana RB

Thank you for the friendships and memories. It was a great run.

Guy Neumann

“Tisane Founder and CEO Allie J. Gamble. said, “I wanted to create a spot with an infusion of people, products, and ideas all in one place. Tisane has been a very special place close to my heart for many, many years,” said r“We’ve had some amazing times here. It’s sad to see

Tisane close its doors, but many things have changed since the pandemic. Its central location on Farmington Ave served as the perfect meeting space for many. Unfortunately, with more people working remotely and fewer coming into Hartford, it has impacted the business we had before the pandemic...Tisane was a true fusion restaurant, blending Asian spices with classic European techniques. It also blended cultures and people, bringing together a strong and proud LGBTQ+ community. Tisane created a space for meaningful conversations and amazing music where many felt at home. Over the years, the restaurant won dozens of ‘Best Of’ awards, including the best LGBTQ+ bar, cocktails, tea selection, and coffee house. Tisane was very timely and needed in Hartford for many years, and we’re proud of the community we created here. We thank our many patrons for their loyalty over the last 24 years and the dedicated staff who fostered and inspired such a unique spirit at Tisane.”

According to a statement issued by Locals 8 Hospitality Group, Tisane’s parent company, “[We are] making every effort to relocate Tisane’s staff to positions at other Locals 8 restaurants in the Greater Hartford area. Gift cards will be honored at all other Locals 8 locations. Any tickets purchased for upcoming events will be refunded in full.

FREE VIRTUAL WORKSHOP
MARCH 10, 2022 6PM - 7:30PM

Researching Hartford’s Early Black and Native Communities with
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New research has uncovered information on over 500 Black and Native individuals buried in Hartford’s Ancient Burying Ground 1640-1815. Dr. Hermes will demonstrate how to use this new information, primary sources, and archives to uncover their story. Students, teachers, family historians, descendants, genealogists and anyone interested in Hartford’s early history will be fascinated.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS**ESTATE OF
Dorothy M. Gallimore
(24-00686)**

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated May 8, 2024, 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:
Stephney Sinclair,
48 School Street,
East Hartford, CT 06108

NOTICE TO CREDITORS**ESTATE OF
F Frank Sousa (24-00579)**

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated May 13, 2024, 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:
Michael Sousa,
71 Summerset Dr.,
East Hartford, CT 06118

MIRACULOUS PRAYER

Dear Heart Of Jesus, in the past i have asked for many favors. this time, I ask you for this special one (mention favor). Take it Dear Jesus, and place it in your own heart where your Father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes, it will become your favor, not mine. Amen.Say this prayer for three days. Promise publication and the favor will be granted. Never known to fail. AP.

**State of Connecticut
Court of Probate,
Hartford Court District****NOTICE To:
Isidro Jimenez PENA,
whose address is
unknown to the court.**

Pursuant to an order of Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge, a hearing will be held at Hartford Probate Court, 250 Constitution Plaza, 3rd Floor, Hartford, CT 06103-2814 on JUNE 17, 2024 at 11:20 am on a petition for Removal of Guardian of the person concerning a certain minor child born on May 11, 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
Joan Ortiz, Clerk

NOTICE TO CREDITORS**ESTATE OF
Nancy C. Scott, AKA Nancy
Channing Scott
(24-00679)**

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated May 9, 2024, 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:
CHRISTOPHER SMITH
DREW, DREW LAW, PC,
47 WEST MAIN STREET,
AVON, CT 06001

PUBLIC NOTICE**NOTICE TO
BENEFICIARY****Pending in the Probate
Court of Bexar County,
Texas, in Matters of
Probate No. 2023-****PC1-03301**

TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN THE ABOVE ESTATE: WHEREAS, on October 23rd 2023 in the Probate Court of Bexar County, Texas, the undersigned duly qualified as the Executrix of the Estate of Steven S. Seper a.k.a. Steven Samson Seper, Deceased.

To the heirs and Devisees of the above named Estate. This is formal notice that Steven S. Seper a.k.a. Steven Samson Seper, the decedent, died on June 11, 2023 and Jason Daniel Yates have or may have an interest in the estate.

The following individual has been appointed as the administrator of the Estate:

Pamela Yates
c/o Owens Law Firm
14237 Old Bandera Rd.
Helotes, Texas
(210) 695-5110

NOTICE TO CREDITORS**ESTATE OF
Ronald Womack (24-00605)**

The Hon. Foye A. Smith, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated April 29, 2024, 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:
Paul Arnell Womack,
3656 Chestnut Lake Court,
Jonesboro, GA 30236

Invitation to Bid for Subcontractors**Bid Due Date: Friday, June 14, 2024 at
5:00pm**

Project Information: DONO Project – Parcel B Phase #1 (Parking Garage)
1143 Main Street, Hartford, CT

Project Description: Precast parking garage that will consist of 538 parking spaces over multiple

levels. This bid request at this time is for all associated trades:

- Cast in Place Concrete
- Plumbing
- Electrical
- Fire Alarm
- Low Voltage / Security Systems
- HVAC
- Fire Sprinkler
- Misc. Metals
- Steel Stairs and Railings
- Metal Framing
- Roofing / Waterproofing
- Exterior Masonry
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- Painting

Bid Documents and submission information:

- Call or Email

o Jay P Inzitari

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- jay@rms-companies.com

Notices: The contractor who is selected to perform this State project must comply with CONN. GEN. STAT. 4a-60, 4a-60a, 4a-60g, and 46a-68b through 46a-68f, inclusive, as amended by June

2015 Special Session Public Act 15-5. State law requires a minimum of twenty-five (25%) percent of the state-funded portion of the contract for award to subcontractors holding current certification from the Connecticut Department of Administrative Services ("DAS") under the provisions of CONN. GEN. STAT. 4a-40g. (25% of the work with DAS certified Small and Minority owned businesses and 25% of that work with CAS certified Minority, Women and / or Disabled owned businesses.) The contractor must demonstrate A good faith effort to meet the 25% set-aside goals. RMS CONSTRUCTION, LLC. reserves the right to accept any submittal or to reject any submittal and to waive any informalities or irregularities in submittal. RMS CONSTRUCTION, LLC. is an Affirmative Action / Equal Opportunity Employer and small minority and woman owned businesses are encouraged to apply

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Request for Qualifications

The Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) is seeking assistance with the development of a Regional Warehousing Land Use and Traffic Study. An RFQ including a preliminary scope of work, minimum firm requirements, and submission instructions may be found on the CRCOG website at <http://crcog.org/rfprfq/>. Questions should be directed in writing to the CRCOG staff indicated in the RFQ. Statements of qualifications must be received by CRCOG no later than 6/14/2024. Responses received after 2pm on 6/14/2024 will not be considered.

Solicitud de Calificaciones

El Consejo de Gobiernos de la Región del Capitolio (CRCOG) está buscando ayuda para el desarrollo de un Estudio Regional de Tráfico y Uso de la Tierra de Almacenamiento. Una solicitud de cotización que incluye un alcance preliminar del trabajo, requisitos mínimos de la empresa e instrucciones de presentación se puede encontrar en el sitio web del CRCOG en <http://crcog.org/rfprfq/>. Las preguntas deben dirigirse por escrito al personal del CRCOG indicado en la RFQ. Las declaraciones de calificaciones deben ser recibidas por el CRCOG a más tardar el 14/06/2024. Las respuestas recibidas después de las 2 p. m. del 14/06/2024 no se considerarán.

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come. For more information, go to <https://yogainourcity.com/schedule/> for times and locations.

Learn More ABOUT Ancient Graves

The Ancient Burial Ground, located behind Center Church in Downtown Hartford at the corner of Main and Gold Streets is offering an in-person workshops on Gravestone Interpretation & Cleaning. Join Ruth Shapleigh Brown of the CT Gravestone Network on Sunday, May 19 | from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. to learn more about preserving colonial gravestones and interpreting their history. Learn about how the symbolism and iconography changed over time and how to interpret spelling and language. Watch a demonstration on how to gently clean gravestones with tips and tricks on how to photograph them. Training and cleaning materials supplied. \$5 suggested donation; free for ABGA members.

Spring Leaf Collection

The City Of Hartford will be collecting paper leaf bags for a limited time only. Curbside collection of LEAF BAGS will occur on normal trash days this week and next week (• May 20 - 24). There will

be no curbside collection of loose leaves. Limbs and branches tied up in bundles no longer than six feet will also be collected during this same time period. City residents may also bring paper leaf bags to the Waste & Recycling Center, 180 Leibert Road: Hartford, Tuesday through Saturday, 9:00 am – 2:00 pm. For further information, Call Hartford 311 at 860-757-9311, Monday – Friday: 8:00am – 5:00pm.

Share your Thoughts on Connecting Hartford, Wethersfield and the CT River

Riverfront Recapture was founded in the 1980s to unite the region surrounding the river. The organization operates three parks in Hartford and one in East Hartford. The next step is creating a system of trails that will better connect Hartford, East Hartford, Windsor and Wethersfield. The connection between Hartford and Wethersfield will be the subject of two Multimodal Trail Routing meetings/ The first will be held on Wednesday, May 22 at 6 PM, at Town of Wethersfield Town Council Chambers, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield. The second will be on Thursday, May 30 at 6PM, at the Metzner Recreation Center, 680 Franklin

Ave, Hartford. The design of the trail system is still being finalized, so come prepared to share your ideas! All are welcome.

Heads-Up Leadership Camp

Scholarships and financial aid spots still available for at Heads Up Hartford summer camp. Heads Up is a nonprofit week-long, overnight leadership and community service summer camp on the grounds of Ethel Walker boarding school in Simsbury. From there, our campers serve the greater Hartford community through a week of community service activities. Our organization earmarks spots for Hartford residents, so if you know a teen with a passion for community service who would love to attend summer camp, encourage them to sign up ASAP! (Bonus-- if your high schooler requires community service hours for school, National Honor Society, resumes, etc., we provide them with a record of their 40 hours of service for their school administrators!) Please don't hesitate to comment/inbox with questions! <https://headsuphartford.org>

Patio Service At The Downtown Library Returns

Patio service is back at Hartford Public Library's Downtown branch for answering questions,

checking out books, and so much more on Wednesdays & Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Get your library card ready! Don't have one? They can make one for you! The main portion of the Downtown Branch remains closed as repairs continue to fix the damage caused by a flood in 2022.

Know Thy Neighbor Meets Thursday May 16

Know Thy Neighbor (KTN) will meet on Thursday May 16 at 6 pm at Hartford Communities That Care, 2550 Main Street (from the parking lot, enter the building, walk past the guard's desk, and take the elevator to the second floor. When you leave the elevator our meeting room will be just a few feet straight across the hall). Refreshments will be available starting at 5:30pm. At this meeting we will continue the new round of conversations that we started recently. Join us as we work towards setting priorities among community concerns and then brainstorm ideas for action that we can work on together. Let your voice be heard! KTN brings together Hartford residents with Police, Fire, AMR ambulance staff, and others to talk about community concerns, brainstorm ideas for improvement, and then work together to take action that builds trusting relationships and achieves positive change

by and for the community. See more info at <https://www.ktnhartford.org/>

Ang's Walk for Cancer Research

On Sunday, June 9, "Ang's Warrior Walk," a fundraiser for lung cancer awareness and research will be held in Bushnell Park in Downtown Hartford. 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. All proceeds will go directly to lung oncologist Mark Awad's research fund at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. He and his team will use the funds raised to study the genetics and immune environment of lung tumors to develop better immune therapies for cancer patients. Check-in & in-person 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 be followed by a raffle. The donation to join in the walk is \$25. Children 10 and under do not need to pay a registration fee. To pre-register, go to: ami-foundation.com. For more information, email: ami.foundation1210@gmail.com.

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El Informativo Latino

Estudiantes de Hartford convencen a la legislatura para que apruebe la tarifa gratuita de autobús

El transporte es uno de los obstáculos que obliga a los jóvenes de todo el estado a perder el contacto con el trabajo o la escuela.

Recientemente, los legisladores hicieron algo al respecto, gracias al impulso de algunos estudiantes de Hartford.

La legislatura incluyó fondos para autobuses gratuitos para los estudiantes de Hartford y New Haven como parte de un proyecto de ley para gastar hasta \$400 millones en fondos de la Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense.

“Tomo [un autobús público] al trabajo, lo tomo después de la escuela para cualquier actividad después de la escuela, lo tomo para pasar el rato con amigos”, dijo Nariyah Lindsay, estudiante de tercer año de la Escuela Secundaria de Ciencias e Ingeniería de la Universidad de Hartford.

Connecticut había utilizado fondos de ayuda para la pandemia para proporcionar servicio de autobús gratuito en todos los autobuses del Departamento de Transporte, pero eso terminó en la primavera de 2023.

Algunos estudiantes de University High, una escuela especializada, dijeron que notaron que los compañeros de Hartford estaban

menos comprometidos fuera de clase. “Cosas como deportes, clubes y otras actividades, como los estudiantes, no pueden participar en ellas”, dijo Amy Kakrabah-Quarshie, estudiante de último año.

36 MINUTOS AGOSTO

Los maestros de Enfield continúan presionando para obtener la financiación del presupuesto escolar solicitada

1 HORA ANTES

Mohegan Sun Arena se agota para el debut de Caitlin Clark en la WNBA

Un grupo de estudiantes del Club de Justicia Social organizó un esfuerzo para presionar a los legisladores para que restablecieran la tarifa de autobús gratuita, al menos para los estudiantes.

“Vi muchos cambios en mi comunidad escolar, especialmente porque muchos de mis amigos habían tomado el pase de autobús, o el autobús urbano mientras era gratis”, dijo Siddharth Krishnan, estudiante de último año.

Eso es exactamente lo que hicieron los legisladores.

El proyecto de ley de estabilización incluye \$175,000 cada uno para Hartford y New Haven como parte de un programa piloto para brindar a los estudiantes del sector

público viajes gratuitos en autobuses operados por el DOT.

Los legisladores dijeron que es parte de un esfuerzo más amplio para ayudar a los jóvenes desconectados. Un informe de la Fundación para la Educación Dalio estimó que 119.000 jóvenes quedaron desconectados del trabajo o la escuela.

El informe también señaló la falta de transporte confiable y asequible como un obstáculo común.

“Hicimos que esos estudiantes de University High vinieran y presentaran un caso muy convincente sobre la necesidad de transporte gratuito”, dijo el senador. Dijo Douglas McCrory (D-Hartford).

El director de University High, Sean Tomany, dijo que el servicio ayudará a los estudiantes a mantenerse comprometidos con la escuela y las actividades.

Señaló que en el pasado los estudiantes incluso tenían que faltar un día de escuela si tenían una cita con el médico en la mañana, pero no podían conseguir transporte después.

“Les permite tener el mismo acceso a la comunidad escolar que tienen los niños con transporte”, dijo.

By Iris Rodríguez



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