



Grand Opening of the Brother Carl Institute Saturday

For decades, “Brother Carl” Hardrick has been working to reduce violence in Hartford, especially among the city’s street gangs. This Saturday, June 4, Hardrick’s efforts will finally find a permanent home.

A grand opening celebration for the Brother

Carl Hardrick Institute (BCHI) for Violence Prevention and Community Engagement will be held from 10 am - 2 pm at its new home at the Wilson Gray YMCA, 444 Albany Avenue, Hartford.

The event, which is free and open to the pub-

lic, will include music, live performances, games, activities and more. There will also be tours and information about BCHI. The celebration is sponsored by JoAnn Price, Fairview Capital and Stephen Bayer, of the Jewish Federation of Grater Hartford.

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GOLDEN OLDIES

Historian and author Daniel Sterner takes us on a trip through bygone Hartford in a series of captivating and informative YouTube videos.

BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

For many years now, one of the more popular features in the Hartford News has been the weekly photo with descriptive caption at the bottom of the front page, “Hartford Once Upon a Time”, curated by Andy Hart. There’s a fascination in seeing and reading about places in the capital city that have vanished from its landscape, or have changed radically over two centuries. Now, taking that a step further, Daniel Sterner has given us the opportunity to walk the city’s streets and neighborhoods as they appeared in the 19th and early-mid 20th centuries. From the days of riverboats, railroads, and horse-drawn wagons up to the birth of the automobile, we can visually follow the paths trod and sights seen by J.P. Morgan, Frederick Law Olmsted, Harriet Beecher Stowe, William Gillette, Wallace Stevens, and those two Sam’s—Clemens and Colt. In the 1800s, Hartford was a “boom town” boasting a wealth of innovators, inventors, visionaries, artists of all stripes, merchants, manufacturers, restaurateurs, saloon-keepers, and hoteliers. Many of the businesses were owned by immigrants. We can also see long-gone Front Street on the old East Side, Market Street—both East and West, State Street before Constitution Plaza, Main Street before Bushnell Plaza, Pearl Street, Washington Street mansions and those at Woodland & Asylum, and the lost riverfront. All videos are available for free viewing by typing the keywords “Vanished Downtown Hartford” in the YouTube search bar, or “History with Dan Sterner”, where in addition to the Hartford areas mentioned above, there are several more posted. The videos vary in running time, from 10-35 minutes, making for a convenient way to absorb the history within by small bites or big gulps.

Dan Sterner’s work is truly a labor of love— “labor” being the operative word. He’s a one-man show, meticulously gathering the raw materials for each video. He told the Hartford News “It takes a huge

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Salsa Central on Pratt Street

The Hartford Business Improvement District (BID) kicked off its 2022 Salsa Socials series with a bang Friday night as hundreds turned out on Pratt Street to show off their dance moves. Salsa Socials will be held four more times this summer: Friday, June 17; July 8, Friday, August 19, and Friday, September 9. All events will run from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. and are free and open to the public. (Hart photo)

Hartford...Once Upon a Time



This photo from the early part of the 20th century shows Albany Avenue just north of where it forks off from Main Street (note Keney Tower at far right). A sign for the Thos. Cusack Co. is partially visible on the building to the left. Signs on a building across an alley to the right advertise cigars and “Pillsbury’s Best” flour. The 1920 city directory lists a Thomas Cusack advertising signs business at 32 Albany Avenue. The area around the intersection of Main and Albany was once known as “The Tunnel” because of the railroad underpass that runs underneath it. (Photo courtesy of the Hartford History Center at the Hartford Public Library)

NEWS BRIEFS

Bushnell Park Picnic TONIGHT

Red Rock Tavern will host a “Picnic in the Park” on Thursday, June 2 from 5 pm – 7 pm, at The Pavilion in Bushnell Park. Tickets are \$12 - \$30. For tickets go to www.eventbrite.com/e/picnic-in-the-park-june-2nd-tickets-327450291637.

Pratt St. Summer Concert Series Starts Tonight

Starting, tonight, June 2, the Hartford Business Improvement District (BID) will hold a weekly free summer concert series on Pratt Street. The concerts are on Thursdays and Fridays, and one Saturday, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. It will run through early October. The line for June: June 2: Heather McLarney, indie-folk singer-guitarist. June 3: Riley Cotton, singer-guitarist performing Americana songs. June 9: Frank Critelli, veteran Meriden-based singer-songwriter. June 10: Erin Rocc, folk singer-guitarist. June 16: Jah Marley, who blends hip-hop and R&B. June 18: Tenaya Taylor, Hartford artist who performs socially conscious hip-hop. June 23: I Anbassa, reggae band. June 24: Foolish Wisely, multi-instrumentalist folk duo. June 30: Xavier Serrano, New Haven folk musician.

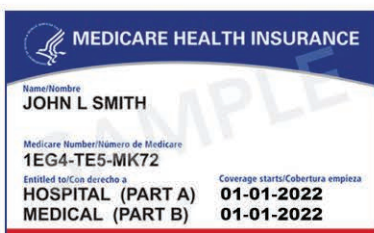
SINA Frog Hollow Clean-up June 4

The Southside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance (SINA) will host a clean-up of the Frog Hollow Neighborhood on Saturday, June 4, from 10am-1pm. Volunteers are asked to gather in front of 686 Broad Street, near the corner of Grand Street. Volunteers will be divided into teams to see who can clean up the most! If interested call Logan Singerman at: 860.929.6039, lsingerman@sinainc.org

Community Cookout on Sterling St. June 4

On Saturday, June 4, Kamora’s

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Scout Fills Colt Park’s Little Library

On Saturday, May 14, Cole Farnham (second from left) from Boy Scout Troop 105 dropped off a load of books for the “Little Library” in Colt Park. Cole is working on becoming an Eagle Scout, and as part of that process, he has collected over 500 books for free libraries. Among those helping Cole at Colt Park were Angel Gonzalez, Ariel Reed, Karin Reed, Blake Canulla and Tyrone Barron.

2022 Love Your Block Grant Recipients Announced

More than \$225,000 in grants to support 21 projects in 15 different neighborhoods

The City of Hartford and the Hartford Foundation for Public Giving announced this year’s recipients of the Love Your Block grant, awarded to projects proposed by community members to beautify Hartford neighborhoods. This latest round of Love Your Block (LYB) grants committed more than \$225,000, funding 21 projects in 15 different neighborhoods.

This year’s LYB grant offered a LYB Resident Grant and a LYB Community Grant. The LYB resident grant continue the work of the original LYB program, awarding grants to resident-led projects of \$2,500 or less. Resident groups were also able to team up with non-profit organizations for the LYB Community Grant, which offered up to \$25,000 in funding. In total, 9 resident grants and 12 community grants were awarded.

Grant applications were open from Monday, February 14th to Monday, March 7th, and ideas were reviewed by a panel of Hartford residents. The City and the Hartford Foundation look forward to continuing to build on the successful Love Your Block program in the years ahead.

“We are thrilled to support more than twenty community-led beautification projects, from curbside gardens in the West End to traffic diverters in Southwest to cultural flags and murals on Greenwood and Grace Street,” said Mayor Bronin. “The Love Your Block

program gives residents the resources to make the changes they want to see on their own block, in their own neighborhood — whether it’s the small resident projects, where a couple thousand dollars can make the difference, or whether it’s the larger community grants.”

This round of Love Your Block Community Grants includes:

- Bulkeley High School
- Charter Oak Temple Restoration Association, Inc.
- Free Center
- Hartford Health Initiative, Inc.
- Hartford Public Schools/City of Hartford
- Keney Park Sustainability Project Inc.
- KNOX, Inc.
- Mount Bethel Church of God EHT, Inc.
- Mutual Housing Association of Greater Hartford, Inc.
- Real Art Ways, Inc.
- Southside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance, Inc. (SINA)
- The iQuilt Partnership

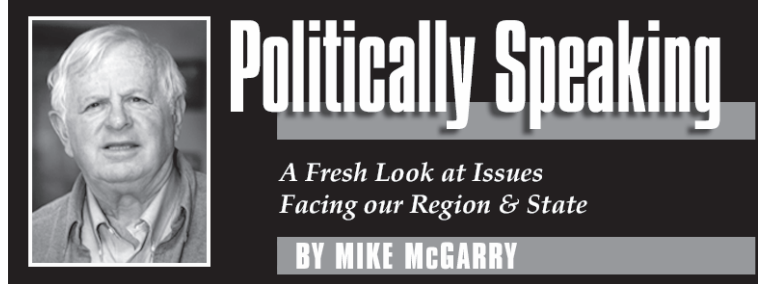
This round of \$2,500 Love Your Block Resident Grants being administered by Southside Institutions Neighborhood Alliance (SINA) and Knox Inc.

includes:

- New Mount Moriah Baptist Church
- Southwest and Behind the Rocks NRZ
- West End Residents
- Colt Park Foundation
- Friends of Zion Hill Cemetery
- Urban Hope Refuge Church
- Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) NRZ
- Asylum Hill Residents
- Parkville Care Center Residents

The Love Your Block grant program is a component of Love Hartford, a broader initiative led by the City of Hartford, the Hartford Foundation, and other partners to help beautify Hartford neighborhoods and encourage community resiliency. The program brings together city leaders and citizens to revitalize neighborhoods one block at a time. It began when Hartford was one of ten cities chosen by Cities of Service to receive \$25,000 in funding over two years (2019-2020) and two AmeriCorps VISTAs. Other activities supported through the initiative include Love Hartford week, the Neighborhood Ambassadors Program, and the annual Hartford Urban Gardeners Awards (HUGS)

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Seats Available for Hartford Blooms Tours

After a shift to larger buses, Hartford Blooms finds itself in the unusual position of having available seats on all its coming tours. In previous years, the concern was over-booking, but this year we still have opportunities for interested individuals and groups.

Tours start this Saturday, June 4, with Asylum Hill, “Katharine Hepburn’s Neighborhood,” at 10 am. This will be the first of five tours of various sections of Hartford. Gardens, churches, Victorian buildings and more are all included on this tour, with a party at Parkville Market at the end. The tour starts from the parking lot of Saint Joseph Cathedral (entrance off Asylum Street). Parking is free.

Then on Sunday, June 5, it’s time to visit Coltsville. After climbing a few stairs to the iconic Colt Dome, attendees will hear the story of how Samuel Colt created “Colt’s Empire.” The tour will continue to Cedar Hill Cemetery and then to the Wood ‘N’ Tap for yes, another party. Tour starts at the Colt Building on Huyshope Avenue, free parking in the lots across the street.

On Tuesday, June 7, one of Hartford’s most historic neighborhoods, the West End, will be criss-crossed. First we’ll follow the Wallace Stevens Walk and then visit a variety of West End gardens and attractions. **And, for the first time in years, the “Magic Facade” Chick Austin House on**

Scarborough Street will be part of the tour. Again, there will be a party at Parkville Market and parking will be at the Cathedral of Saint Joseph.

On Saturday, June 11, Hartford’s Riverfront will be highlighted in one of Hartford Blooms’ most well-received tours. Details on Riverfront’s future plans and information on the flood control system will be discussed, and then we’ll ride to the top of “Mount Trashmore” and visit the Keney Park Experimental Garden. Finally, we’ll visit the Hartford Taste Festival on Constitution Plaza with bands, food and fun. The bus will wait an hour for attendees to return and will then take them back to their cars at Riverside Park. Or you can stay longer and take an Uber back to your car.

The last tour of the series on Sunday, June 12, will cover Downtown Hartford. We’ll explore some hidden gardens, take a “window tour” of Main Street and then visit a hidden gem: **Foot Guard Hall on High Street. Many of us have passed the building by while driving on I-84, but on Sunday, June 12, it will be part of the Downtown tour. It’s Military Museum is a real treat.** The bus will again leave from the Cathedral of Saint Joseph at 10 am, parking is free.

Those interested in any of these tours should call 860-422-7937 any day after 1 pm.

Support After School Program Funding

My name is Carmen Milagros Saez I wanted to write an article about guns but I’m only going to say that I do not like weapons but I respect responsible gun owners. I do want to take this opportunity to advocate for all year long funding for across the state of Connecticut, especially Hartford and Wethersfield, to provide free all year long different sports, after-school and non-sports too after school programs. Please make this real Connecticut and thank you. We need funding thru the appropriation committee in legislative building. I’m praying for Texas and all victims of gun tragedy. God bless America. Please call your legislators make this Dream Real!

I also wanted to thank Capital Community College for my honorary degree may 26 2022 and congratulations to all classes of 2022 Connecticut graduates.

Keney Park Festival June 25

On Saturday, June 25, from 9AM – 2PM, Advocacy to Legacy, Inc, Friends of Keney Park, Trinity Health of New England, Dept of Motor Vehicles, City of Hartford will host the 2nd annual Jewel of the City – Keney Park Festival. The event will be held in the Woodland and Greenfield Streets entrance of Keney Park and the Pond House off Edgewood Street. It will feature TikTok dance contest, fishing, arts and crafts, bicycle giveaway and safety, basketball clinic, food, nutrition & gardening, health & wellness information, COVID vaccines, voter registration, prizes, ice cream, fun and family games. Many community organizations will also be onsite

with information on the services they offer. In addition, there will be

- Gratitude walk on trails at 9
- DMV will be onsite from 9-1 for driver’s license renewal & state id issuance
- Ribbon cutting ceremony at 11 for new walking trail stations
- TikTok Dance contest at 12

For more information call, 860-930-2508, or email at advocacy2legacy@gmail.com. This festival is sponsored in part by Advocacy to Legacy, Inc, Friends of Keney Park, Trinity Health of New England, Dept of Motor Vehicles and the City of Hartford.

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Hartford Communities That Care Awarded \$630,000 in Federal Funding



Andrew Woods (fifth from left), Executive Director of Hartford Communities That Care (HCTC) accepts a check for \$630,000 from Congressman John Larson (fourth from right) last Friday, May 27. HCTC has aided over 1,800 victims of crime and their families in Hartford since the organization was formed in 2004. (Hart photo)

On Friday, May 27, Congressman John B. Larson presented a check for \$630,000 in new federal funding for Hartford Communities That Care (HCTC). These funds will support HCTC’s Hartford Care Response Team and Violence Prevention Enhancement initiatives.

“Alongside a coalition of advocates, HCTC has built an on-the-ground force of community members who are committed to the families impacted by gun violence,” said Larson. “I advanced their funding request in Congress so there are resources to more broadly engage the community to find sustainable solutions to this heartbreaking cycle of violence.”

Hartford Communities That Care formed the Hartford Care Response Team in 2004, providing care to more than 1,800 victims of violence and their families since then. In 2021 alone, HCTC visited hospitals and crime scenes to serve 210 victims and their families.

“We at HCTC are gratified that this funding is finally available to support crime victims in our community. Congressman Larson has and continues to be one of our fiercest federal advocates and fought for these funds every step of the way,” said Andrew Woods, Executive Director, Hartford Communities That Care, Inc.

“The men and women at Hartford Communities That Care are out in our community day and night working to prevent violence, deescalate disputes, break cycles of retaliation, and help victims and families recover and heal, and that work is difficult, emotionally taxing, and vitally important,” said Mayor Luke Bronin. “Hartford Communities That Care is a key partner in our violence reduction work, and an absolutely critical partner in our Hospital-Based Violence Intervention initiative, and I’m deeply grateful to Congressman Larson for securing this significant funding.”

Another Raccoon Killed on Berlin Turnpike

COMMENTARY BY BILL DIMAURO KATZ

Sometime on May 30, a raccoon slipping under the Cedar Hill Cemetery fencing, was hit by a car as it crossed the Berlin Turnpike. This is not the first time a raccoon has been killed or injured along the same strip of roadway. A few years ago, I found an injured raccoon in the same general location. I stopped at 9:30 in the evening and refused to leave until I could push the animal back up on the green and back under the fence. Fortunately another car had stopped in the dark to provide a barrier for me as I maneuvered the raccoon off the road.

In the following days, I conducted a walk, alongside the fence line and found several openings where small animals residing in the cemetery could slip under thereby insuring similar disastrous endings. I approached executive director of Cedar Hill, Mary Anne Hawthorne, to find out if the cemetery was inter-

ested constructing barriers to prevent future animals from similar harm. She was not only uncooperative but angry that I had requested that the cemetery conduct due diligence to protect the wildlife that resides within its grounds.



I’m outraged over this callous disregard for wildlife protection. I had asked her at the time in my letter that I be allowed to make recommendations to the Foundation board. There was no response.

To quote the Cemetery Board’s mission statement: “The Foundation, which is a private, non-profit organization, accomplishes its mission by restoring and preserving the historic architecture, restoring and preserving the memorial artworks, caring for the picturesque trees and plants, preserving the natural resources and wildlife, offering arts, culture and heritage programming to the community.

Obviously, Ms. Hawthorne hasn’t much interest in protecting the wildlife that resides within the confines of the cemetery.

The photos are a disturbing visual of the most recent death of a raccoon that could have been avoided if Mrs Hawthorne had done due diligence and modified the fencing to block up holes to prevent unnecessary kills of such wildlife.

Support Three Organizations at Once: HartBeat Ensemble, Night Fall and Sea Tea Improv

On Sunday, June 5, three of Hartford’s most popular arts organizations, HartBeat Ensemble, Night Fall and Sea Tea Improv will hold the first-ever “Threeway Throwdown” at 2pm at Parkville Market, 1400 Park Street, Hartford. This fast-paced and interactive event will feature celebrity guest judges, prizes, seriously funny halftime entertainment and a chance for audience members to become part of the action. Which team will you cheer on? Which group will come out and top? And what will you eat at Parkville Market???

Donation Levels

Beloved audience - \$25: Arrive early to get the best seats in the house (first-come, first-served). Grab a drink or something to eat at Parkville Market and enjoy the show.

Cheerleader - \$50: Show your team spirit! Arrive at 1:30 wearing in your official team color (HartBeat Green, Night Fall Orange or SeaTea Blue) and meet up

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A Birthday and a Party

Reflections on the impact of centenarian and former Hartford Mayor Ann Uccello

COMMENTARY BY ANNE GOSHDIGIAN

I was 17 years old, and two months into my senior year at HPHS when Ann Uccello was elected mayor of Hartford in November 1967. The dawn of the modern-day feminist movement was still a few years away, but having grown up as the lone sister of two older brothers I’d become aware at a much earlier age that societal and parental scales were definitely tipped toward boys; male dominance was the norm. Girls were expected to behave a certain way and were subject to stricter standards, but “boys will be boys”. So when a woman—a Republican woman, back when that party affiliation wasn’t the dirty word it has become—won Hartford’s top job I felt a kind of vindication...and pride. I was in my second-year of working part-time, after school and on weekends, at G. Fox & Company, where Uccello had worked her way up the ladder to a managerial position by impressing iconic and powerful store owner Beatrice Fox Auerbach with her abilities, knowledge, and dedication to the job.

In those days, the 1960s, Hartford politics was dominated—as it still is—by the Democratic party, and by Irish and Italian elected officials—understandably a thing of the past. Ann Uccello took the reins of the city in January 1968 during a tumultuous time of change nationally and locally. That spring saw the assassinations of Martin Luther King and Robert Kennedy, followed by a summer of turmoil and rioting in the North End. Mayor Uccello was everywhere, down there on the streets listening to the dismay and anger of Black students at the city’s high schools, and to the merchants whose small businesses were pillaged by the unrest. She gave a damn on a personal level with her people skills and empathy, long before the current political lust for photo-ops and TV coverage. She was a leader, the first woman mayor in the state and the first of a capital city, and I have no doubt that a lot of that leadership ability was gained through her years of observing Mrs. Auerbach, a woman leader in a man’s world.

Uccello, who turned 100 years old two weeks ago, went on to serve in the administrations of three U.S. presidents, both Republican and Democrat. Her training ground for all this was a department store, not the Ivy League. Her immigrant family was not a wealthy one. She served two terms and was also the last Republican mayor elected in Hartford – more than 50 years ago. All of this is to say that Uccello – like Auerbach – was a role model as to what a woman was capable of achieving. And it should be possible for Hartford voters to chip away at the city’s one-party rule that has proven to be pretty much a failure for many years now with its stranglehold on city politics. During the last municipal election in 2019, a Republican candidate for City Council, Gary Bazzano, possessed excellent qualifications and experience for a seat in chambers—which was more than could be said about the six winning Democrats hand-selected by the DTC. I am a registered Democrat, but I also believe that our city’s leadership could stand to be more politically diverse. Ann Uccello proved that, and worked side-by-side with her Democratic colleagues to do the best for Hartford and its people. We sure as hell could use some of that passion in this city now. People before parties; that’s the ticket.

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The True Meaning of Memorial Day

On Saturday, May 28, Hartford's Boy Scout Troop 105 (above) continued their annual Memorial Day Weekend tradition of planting American flags beside the graves of all veterans buried in the Soldiers Field section of Northwoods Cemetery on the Hartford-Windsor town line. On Monday, May 30, Troop 105 held a wreath laying ceremony at the Hartford Vietnam War Memorial (below), located at the intersection of New Britain and Fairfield Avenues. (Hart photos)



Riverfront Recapture's Fitness Classes Start Next Week

Why exercise in a dreary old gym when you can get in shape alongside on the country's most beautiful rivers?" Riverfront Recapture is offering eight different weekly fitness classes this summer and it all starts next week. Suggested donation: \$5; proceeds will be used to help us continue to offer free classes like this one. Donate at the class, on venmo @riverfrontrecapture, or at <https://riverfront.org/donate/>



Yoga Sculpt

Mondays, June 6 – August 29, 6 – 7 pm, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza, Hartford

Get your heart pumping and your blood flowing in our new class

from Hartford Sweat. This class combines Vinyasa-style yoga, light cardio, and resistance with weights and bands to tone and strengthen.



WIP Into Shape

Tuesdays, June 7 – August 30, 6 – 7 pm, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza, Hartford

Join WIP Fitness every Tuesday night on the plaza for free, motivating workouts. Their instructors will show you how to build muscle in this anything but traditional boot camp style class using bands, body weight, and the plaza itself. This class is accessible to all levels. Bring water (definitely) and a yoga mat (optional). Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start of class to check-in.

relax and rejuvenate you for the week.

River Zumba

Thursdays, June 9 – August 25, 6 – 7 pm, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza, Hartford

Dance, dance, dance the day away at lower Mortensen Riverfront Plaza in this one-hour heart-pumping Zumba workout led by instructors from Hartford Sweat.

Qi Gong

Fridays, June 10 – August 26, 6 – 7 pm, Riverside Park, Hartford

Learn the basics of Qi Gong with Master Malee Khaw. Qi Gong combines gentle stretching, energy-activating exercises, and simple flowing movements for strength for a complete workout of the body and the mind.



Tai Chi

Saturdays, June 11 – August 27, 10:30 – 11:30 am, Riverside Park, Hartford

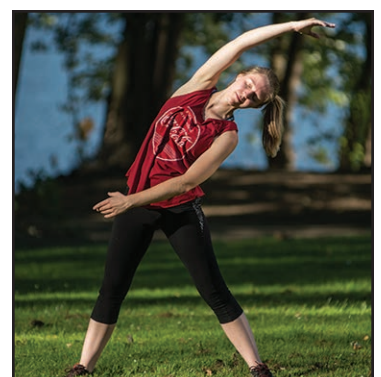
Looking for a gentler, more relaxing, spiritually fulfilling form of exercise? Our free tai-chi classes, taught by Master Malee Khaw will help to stretch and strengthen the mind and body in a serene environment through a beautiful series of easy-to-learn movements combined with breathing and self-accupressure.



Moves & Grooves

Wednesdays, June 8 – August 31, 6 – 7 pm, Riverside Park, Hartford

Dive into exploring individual movement expression through guided improvisation, technique, conditioning, and choreography with the Hartford Dance Collective. This class emphasizes whole-body awareness, grounding, suspension, opposition, and weight, using nature as inspiration. This class is open to all levels.



Yoga Flow on the River

Wednesdays, June 8 – August 31, 6 – 7 pm, Mortensen Riverfront Plaza, Hartford

Stretch and strengthen your body and mind in this class designed to link movement with breath, allowing you to unwind and connect. This class is a perfect blend of all-levels yoga to music that will clear your mind, exercise, and strengthen your body through a series of smooth and calming postures. The shaded area and scenic backdrop make this a perfect setting for a one-hour yoga practice that will

Intro To Dance

Saturdays, June 11 – August 27, 9 – 10 am, Great River Park, East Hartford

This introductory workshop from the Hartford Dance Collective is specially designed for adults who have a passion and desire to learn dance but have no prior dance experience. The classes provide a welcoming and friendly environment, with individualized instruction and attention, exposing you to dance's core fundamentals in a relaxed and comfortable class setting.

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SOUTHSIDE INSTITUTIONS NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Noel Casiano

Neighborhood Service Award Winner 2009

BY LOGAN SINGERMAN



This is a picture from 2009 when Noel Casiano (farthest to the right) won a REACH Neighborhood Service Award. He was recognized for his exemplary work as a DCF Adolescent Social Worker. In the award program from that year, Noel's supervisor called him, "one of the best social workers I have ever encountered in my life." She mentioned how Noel went particularly above and beyond for a young man from El Salvador. She also described how Noel turned around the life of his half brother Bobby Noel for whom he took on the role of foster father. If that's not enough, on top of a 40 hour work week and 20 hour internship, Noel managed to form a flag football team for the DCF kids he worked with, coach his son's baseball team, coach basketball, and serve as a youth leader and clinical director of counseling at his church. His motive was straightforward. "I love this community," he said. "But I also know what kids have to go through. Anything I can do to help them stay out of trouble I view as a positive."

So where is he now? Following the award, Noel was promoted to supervisor at DCF. Noel then obtained his Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from California Southern University and quickly became a professor at CCSU teaching Marriage and Family therapy.

He then worked as the Executive Director at Youth Challenge before becoming the Clinical Director at the Institute for Hispanic Families at Catholic Charities. Presently he is an Assistant Professor of Psychology and Human Services at the University of Hartford. He is developing the curriculum for the Human Services degree the University is building out. He will be teaching a class on Urban Trauma and Resilience in the Fall 2021 Semester, where he will use his experiences and expertise to train students how to truly support a community.

As for Noel's foster brother, he is now known as Dr. Bobby Noel Casiano. Bobby Noel went on to get his Master of Social Work from NYU and his doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania. As for Noel's son, the coaching must have paid off. His son was recruited to Kingswood Oxford after scoring 1,000 points at Rocky Hill High School. His son then went on to score another 1,000 points in his junior and senior seasons at Kingswood Oxford. He is now a junior at ECSU and plays on their basketball team. As for the young man from El Salvador – Noel saw him graduate from high school and helped him realize his dream of getting citizenship. The not so young man stays in touch with Noel to this

day. He is just one of many people Noel maintains connection with, just one of many whose life has been touched.

The crazy thing is none of this might have happened if it wasn't for Noel's high school principal Amado Cruz. Noel had just left a devastating meeting with his high school counselor who had told him that he "was not college material." Principal Cruz noticed Noel was looking down and asked, "what happened to you?" Noel explained. From that point forward Noel checked in with principal Cruz every morning. Noel was connected with mentors through a program called Career Beginnings which helped him make his transition to CCSU.

This experience solidified Noel's belief that in order for people to thrive, they need positive human connections. It is through these relationships that individuals can navigate incredible hardships and find resilience. This understanding drives Noel. "I recognize my own struggles," he said, reflecting on the childhood trauma he experienced growing up without a father on Park Street. He struggled internally with those experiences which kept him from performing his best at school. This is why his high school counselor was not impressed by his academic records. But something she didn't know, which Noel learned, is that beyond struggle there are opportunities and with the right support people can thrive. That support comes in the form of positive human connections. It is that simple. But it needs to happen. "The only way to do the work is to do the work," Noel said. "It is easy to talk about the problems, complain, and judge, but what are you doing about it? We have to leave the world better than what we experienced ourselves for the kids who come after us. We all have to do our piece."

We are painting a mural of Frog Hollow Heroes

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Hartford Taste Festival Coming June 10 & 11

Over 30 local restaurants will be participating in the first Hartford Taste Festival this year, which will be held on Constitution Plaza in Downtown Hartford on Friday, June 10, and Saturday, June 11. Admission is free; all food and drink can be purchased with tokens, which will be sold at the festival in denominations of \$1 and \$5.

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- **Aurora's Restuarant** (Guatemalan Style Bakery And Restaurant)
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Open Comment Period for CRCOG Rapid Routes Study

Throughout the last year, the Capital region Council of Governments Metro Hartford Rapid Routes Study has been examining ways in which to improve the speed and reliability of transit services along the 6 major Metro Hartford corridors: Albany Avenue, Farmington Avenue, Franklin Avenue, Main Street, Park Street, and Burnside Avenue. After receiving input over

the course of different surveys, pop-ups, and meetings, the team has pulled together a Draft Final Report, now available at <https://metrohartfordrapidroutes.com/study-documents/>.

Please note that the public comment period is open through June 13, 2022, and comments may be emailed to info@metrohartfordrapidroutes.com.

OPEN POSITIONS

Slalom's Hartford, CT office has multiple openings for IT PROJECT MGR/ DELIVERY CONSULTANTS (various types/levels): Plan, coordinate, & direct/manage technical projects w/n client organization throughout their respective lifecycles. Must be available to work on projects at various, unanticipated sites w/n commuting distance of Slalom office. TO APPLY: Go to www.jobpostingtoday.com, search for job code 29571 & submit resume.

Job Posting: CT Science Center

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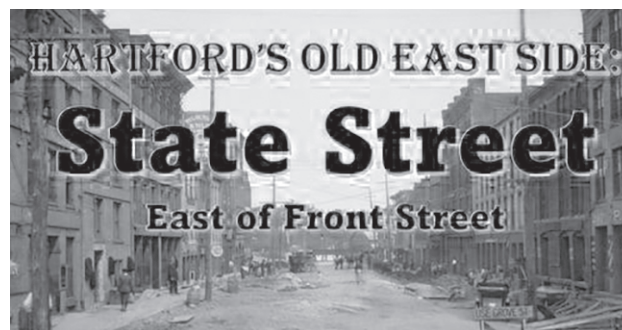
Golden Oldies

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amount of time to do each video. Even if it's a subject that I've researched before, I have to go through everything again to more precisely determine the facts and the sources of the images. Inevitably, I discover many new things and so I have a ton of material. I have to decide how to present it, what parts to include, what to quote from, how detailed I should be, etc. I have to arrange the slides and write a script. This takes even longer than the actual recording, which I try to do in a (sometimes very long) day. I'd like to get out more videos more often, but managing the time involved is a factor

I'm still figuring out. The time per video varies and I've never counted up the total hours it takes. Some could take over 12 from start to finish! I do all the work myself, including research, securing image permissions, writing the script, recording the narration, and editing." Sterner, who holds a BA in History from Wesleyan University, an MA in Middle Eastern Studies from the University of Chicago, and an American Studies MA from Trinity College, comes by his passion for this work honestly. He's also been a guide and educator at historic homes and museums in Hartford and the surrounding area. "At Trinity", he said, "I had a course on Hartford Architecture

with Greg Andrews. I was fascinated by the historic photographs he showed which featured lost buildings mixed with surviving buildings. I started to scrutinize photos that I found in books and online and tried to determine where the buildings were located using historic atlases. I was also inspired by an exhibition I discovered online that had been at the



Skyscraper Museum in New York. It was about the changes of buildings in Wall Street over the years and featured a diagram of the buildings from the early nineteenth century through the modern era of tall skyscrapers. I thought something similar could be done for Hartford, showing the different buildings that have come and gone on different blocks downtown."

Sterner wears another hat related to Hartford history: author. "I noticed that the publisher The History Press had released a book called *A Guide to Historic New Haven*, so I proposed doing one for Hartford and it was published in 2012 under the title *A Guide to Historic Hartford, Connecticut*, and it won an award from the

Hartford Preservation Alliance. The History Press had a series focused on lost buildings in different cities, so I then did a book for them about lost Hartford buildings based on the research I'd been doing on old buildings. It was published in 2013 under the title *Vanished Downtown Hartford*." In recent years, he's done several presentations and lectures for a

variety of area groups and organizations, but now is focused on creating more videos of Hartford's past. "It's hard for me to pick any favorites among the videos because I become obsessed with each one! I want my videos to be not just about buildings but about the people

who lived and worked in them and the insights they give on past times. There are many more Hartford subjects I hope to cover soon in my videos, including Hartford's department stores and also other neighborhoods like Mark Twain's Nook Farm."

Whether you're new to the city or your family has been here for generations, you'll learn a lot about the Hartford of yesteryear by checking out Dan Sterner's videos. With great then-and-now visuals, detailed narration, and full of often surprising facts, viewing them is time well-spent—enjoyable and educational. You'll never look at our city again in the same old way.

Fundraiser for 3 Local Arts Organizations

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with your fellow cheerleaders to create chants and strategies to cheer your team on. Look for the "Cheerleaders & Friends" sign for your team's reserved sitting area.

Team Member - \$100: Get in on the fun by buying your way onto a team! A Team Member ticket allows YOU to be a part of the show. Help your team create and perform an on-the-spot performance. Surprise the audience and yourself with your skills. Skills of any sort not required. Just prepare to have FUN! Arrive by 1:30 and check-in with our "Team Coordinator."

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For tickets, go to: <https://www.showclix.com/event/threeway-throwdown-a-collaborative-funnyraiser>.

Love Your Block Grants

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convened by KNOX, Inc.

"The Hartford Foundation is excited to continue our collaboration with the City and many others on the Love Your Block program,"

said Hartford Foundation President and CEO Jay Williams. "These 21 projects arise from the ideas and action of residents, Neighborhood Revitalization Zones, faith groups, nonprofits

and other stakeholders with deep roots, knowledge, and passion for improving the City's neighborhoods. We know that neighborhood residents are the closest to the issues and the best to identify areas to target for beautification activities and the Love Your Block grant program is intended to put them in the driver's seat and empower them to enhance their community."

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Cultural Corner will host a community cookout from 11 am - 4 pm at the Sterling Street Sanctuary and Nature Reserve, 75 Sterling Street, Hartford. The cookout is being organized by Kemauli "Kemistry" Brown and is designed to raise awareness of mental health issues in the Hartford community. "Kemistry Heals" will feature free food, drinks, music, performances, free haircuts, a bounce house and a dance competition. An ice cream truck will also be on-site.

Free Symphony in Bushnell Park June 4

Hartford Symphony Orchestra (HSO) will play a free concert in Busnell Park in Downtown Hartford on Saturday, June 4th, at 2 pm. The concert will feature HSO musicians, Assistant Conductor Adam Boyles, and the 2021 Young Artist Competition co-first place winner Tyler Tan, violin. In case of inclement weather, this concert will be held at the same time and date in Mortensen Hall at The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts. The event will remain un-ticketed and free to the public if held indoors.

Summer Cook-Out on Broad Street June 4

On Saturday, June 4, Frog Hollow Appliances, 931 Broad Street, Hartford, will host a community cook-out from 2-6 pm. Music will be supplied by DJ Game Boy and

there will also be give-aways, raffles, kids' entertainment, live music and dancing.

Watch a Movie by the River Saturday

Riverfront Recapture Sunset Screenings will begin on Saturday, June 4th in Riverside Park (entrance off Liebert Road) in Hartford's North Meadows. The family movie Remember the Titans will run from 8:30-10:30 PM. Pack a picnic dinner, or order from a food truck that will be on-site.

ActUp Theater Presents Our Sis, Cinderella

Bringing a fresh perspective to an age-old classic tale, ActUp Theater will present Our Sis, Cinderella at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School Auditorium, 25 Ridgefield Street, Hartford on June 2, 3 and 4. In ActUp's brand new version of the fairy tale, Cinderella is not an ordinary girl from your storybook. She has ditched the glass slippers and traded them in for some F-L-Y wedge sneakers.

- Thursday, June 2nd, 6:30 PM
- Friday, June 3rd, 6:30 PM
- Saturday, June 4th, 2:00 PM
- Saturday, June 4th, 6:30 PM

Tickets available at the door or oursiscinderella.eventbrite.com.

Tour Historic Main St. Sunday

The Butler-McCook House &

Garden will host an easy 1.5-mile walking tour on the sidewalks of Hartford's historic Main Street from 10 am - 12 noon on Sunday, June 5. Learn how the city has evolved through its significant structures: City Hall, the Wadsworth Atheneum, the Travelers Tower, the Old State House, Center Church and the Ancient Burying Ground. Free, donations welcome. Tour will start from the Butler-McCook Garden, 396 Main Street, Downtown Hartford.

Caribbean-American Heritage Night June 6

The West Indian Foundation, City of Hartford and Hartford Chamber of Commerce will host a celebration of Caribbean-American Heritage from 5 - 7 pm on Monday, June 6, at Hartford City Hall, 550 Main Street, Downtown Hartford. The free event will feature live music and performances.

MARG Meets June 9

The Maple Avenue Revitalization Group (MARG) will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, June 9, at 6 pm in the lower level of Saint Augustine's Church, 10 Campfield Avenue, Hartford. Public safety and other neighborhood issues will be discussed. The public is welcome.

Miss Puerto Rico Pageant June 11

The Connecticut Institute for Community Development (CICD),

organizers of the Greater Hartford Puerto Rican Parade, will host the 2022 Miss Puerto Rico of Greater Hartford Cultural Pageant Saturday, June 11, from 11:00am-3:00pm at the Theater of the Performing Arts at 359 Washington Street, Hartford. Seven girls from 7 to 17 years old are expected to participate in the pageant. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased online at www.hartfordprparade.com. For more information, contact CICD PR Parade, Inc. Harford Chapter at (860) 904-7860 or HartfordPRParade.com. The Greater Hartford Puerto Rican Day Parade & Festival del Coqui itself will return this Summer on Sunday, August 21 in Downtown Hartford.

Conversation on Abortion June 12

The conversation about abortion is personal, emotional, and one of the most perplexing facing our society today. On Sunday, June 12 at 7pm, Asylum Hill Congregational Church (AHCC), 814 Asylum Avenue, Hartford will host a conversation about the issue, both in-person and online. AHCC's two associate ministers, Pastor Jordan Rebholz and Rev. Dr. Tracy Mehr-Muska, both identify as pastors, mothers, and feminists, though one identifies as pro-choice and one identifies as pro-life. The two will engage in a mediated event, "Brave Conversations: Dismantling the Abortion Binary," facilitated by Rev. Allen Hilton, PhD, author of "A House United: How the Church

Can Save the World." The event is free and open to the public. For more information, go to AHCC.org.

City to Host Tax Sale June 23

On Thursday, June 23rd, the City of Hartford will host a tax sale for properties across the city. The public auction will take place on Thursday, June 23rd, 9AM - 11AM at the Dunkin' Donuts Park, 1214 Main Street, Downtown Hartford. Registration opens at 9:00 AM. The full list of properties as well as the starting bids is available at cttaxsales.com. Each bidder must bring all of the following to bid in the auction.

Call To Artists for Un+Art-5 at ArtSpace

After being closed for more than two years, Hartford ArtSpace Gallery, 555 Asylum Avenue relaunches this June with UN+ART-5, an un-juried, un-themed art exhibit. The works will be on show June 11 - July 3. Open to all emerging and professional artists age 18 and up, exhibit organizers are especially interested in showcasing artists in the Greater Hartford area. The work will be hung salon-style, floor to ceiling, including paintings, mixed media, illustrations, photography, and sculptures. Artists pay a \$10 per piece entry fee to offset show production costs (first submission is free for Hartford artists). To register, go to: linktr.ee/hartfordartspacegallery.

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¿Has recibido un mensaje de texto de un número equivocado? Podría ser una estafa

¿Ha recibido recientemente mensajes de texto que parecen ser de alguien con el número de teléfono incorrecto? Algunos usuarios de las redes sociales se han preguntado si ha habido un aumento inusual en este tipo de mensajes de texto.

Algunos estafadores fingen tener el número equivocado para que usted responda. Por eso es mejor ir a lo seguro e ignorar los mensajes de texto de extraños. Algunas personas informaron haber recibido mensajes de texto que parecían estar dirigidos a veterinarios o a alguien involucrado en una relación. Los textos a menudo comienzan refiriéndose al destinatario por el nombre equivocado y haciendo una pregunta. Las similitudes entre los mensajes de texto que diferentes personas han recibido hacen que algunos de los destinatarios se pregunten si los mensajes de texto aparentemente inocentes podrían ser parte de una estafa.

LA PREGUNTA

¿Los estafadores se hacen pasar por personas que envían mensajes de texto al número equivocado?

LAS FUENTES

Oficina de Mejores Negocios (BBB)

Comisión Federal de Comunicaciones (FCC)

Oficina de la Fiscal General de Nueva York Letitia James

Apache Junction, gobierno de la ciudad de Arizona

LA RESPUESTA

Sí, algunos estafadores se hacen

pasar por personas que enviaron un mensaje de texto al número equivocado. Los expertos recomiendan que no responda a los mensajes de texto de extraños; al menos, un estafador sabrá que su número de teléfono está activo cuando responda.

LO QUE ENCONTRAMOS

Estos mensajes de texto de números incorrectos generalizados generalmente vienen en dos formatos. La primera versión parece ser una especie de continuación de una reunión en persona o una aplicación de citas, mientras que la otra versión parece un cliente que contacta a algún tipo de profesional.

El Better Business Bureau (BBB) advirtió sobre una estafa romántica disfrazada como un mensaje de texto a un número equivocado en marzo. La estafa comienza con un mensaje de texto que habla sobre una cita o una coincidencia de Tinder, y si la víctima responde, incluso para decirle al mensajero que tiene el número equivocado, el estafador continúa la conversación y le envía fotos lascivas a la víctima en un intento de conseguir el número. víctima para unirse a un sitio de citas para adultos y proporcionar la información de su tarjeta de crédito para ver más.

La ciudad de Apache Junction, Arizona, advirtió en febrero que el estafador también puede tratar de continuar la conversación durante unos días para extraer información personal e íntima que puede usarse más tarde para manipular al

objetivo para que le dé dinero al estafador.

El primer consejo que da BBB para evitar este tipo de estafas es simplemente ignorar los mensajes de texto de extraños.

“Si recibe un mensaje de texto de alguien que no conoce, simplemente no responda”, dijo BBB en su advertencia. “Es la ruta más segura. Si interactúa con un estafador, aunque sea brevemente, marcará su número como activo y podría recibir aún más mensajes de texto sospechosos en el futuro”.

Ese consejo también se puede aplicar a otros mensajes de texto que parecen haber sido enviados al número equivocado.

Un portavoz de la Comisión Federal de Comunicaciones (FCC) le dijo a VERIFY que la FCC no puede confirmar que los mensajes de texto que preguntan sobre un veterinario u otro profesional sean de estafadores, pero advirtió a las personas que tengan cuidado al responder mensajes de texto de números desconocidos.

La Oficina del Fiscal General de Nueva York, Letitia James, dice que una respuesta a un mensaje fraudulento autentificará el número de teléfono remitente como un teléfono activo, lo que, a su vez, generará más mensajes no deseados.

Es una buena idea buscar un número de teléfono desconocido en línea, dice la oficina de James. Si el número de teléfono es de un estafador, la oficina de James dice que es mejor que la persona que recibió el mensaje de texto lo informe a su proveedor de telefonía. By Iris Rodriguez



Gobernador declara Juneteenth como feriado legal en CT

El gob. Ned Lamont firmó una legislación el viernes que declara el diecinueve de junio como feriado estatal legal a partir del próximo año.

El Día de la Independencia del 19 de junio se lleva a cabo el 19 de junio de cada año; es la celebración más antigua conocida que conmemora el fin de la esclavitud en los EE. UU., según la oficina del gobernador. "El 19 de junio marca un día importante en nuestra nación que durante demasiado tiempo ha pasado desapercibido y no ha sido realmente apreciado en la medida en que debería ser una parte importante de la historia de los Estados Unidos", dijo Lamont.

La ley no entrará en vigencia hasta el 1 de octubre de 2022. Esto significa que la primera vez que Juneteenth se reconocerá legalmente como feriado estatal en Connecticut será en 2023.


El gobernador dijo que la decisión de cerrar las escuelas el 16 de junio la tomará cada distrito escolar. La oficina de Lamont dijo que cada junta de educación local y regional que permanezca abierta deberá proporcionar un "programa educativo adecuado" para observar el feriado.


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