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Scottish sister for WWII Museum

The World War II Legacy Foundation Museum on Pitkin Street and the Military Museum Scotland in West Lothian proudly announced a formal "Twin/Sister Museum" partnership dedicated to preserving international military history and honoring the legacy of those who served. Both museums believe that making this announcement on the 81st anniversary of V-J Day holds special significance. This cross-Atlantic alliance unites the East Hartford-based World War II Legacy Foundation Museum and the Edinburgh/West Lothian-based Military Museum Scotland in a shared mission.

According to the museums, the new partnership will facilitate loans of artifacts, collaborative programming and joint research initiatives to deepen understanding of the sacrifices made by each country in the global conflict.

"Partnering with Ian Inglis, Creator, Founder and Manager of the Military Museum Scotland, allows us to expand our educational reach and connect

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HIGH FIVE FOR FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



TOWN LEADERS greet students on the first day of school Wednesday, August 27 at Langford Elementary School. Above, Board of Education Chairman Tyron V. Harris, right, and Mayor Connor S. Martin.



AT EHHS AND CIBA HIGH SCHOOL, friends reconnect.



Check helps remediate Silver Lane project site

By Robert Kanehl

Lieutenant Gov. Susan Bysiewicz was in town Friday to review the changes to Silver Lane Plaza, as well as present East Hartford with \$100,000.

The funding was part of the Brownfield Remediation Program Grants being dispersed around the state to help towns remediate and develop old commercial and industrial sites.

Over the past three years, the 20-acre Silver Lane Plaza site has seen its tenants moved, and the old retail-commercial buildings demolished, as part of a plan to rehabilitate the area. The current plans are for new commercial-retail business buildings to face the street, with housing either condos, apartments or single-family homes be located in the rear of the property.

Before these plans can become reality, the site has to be remediated of pollutants and other issues. The state money will be used to test the property as a first step in establishing what needs to be down to redevelop the site.

The funding is part of the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development's Brownfield Remediation and Development Program. According to Bysiewicz,

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AROUND TOWN

Student pleads for Board to support robotics team

By Robert Kanehl
At its first regular meeting of the school year - Monday, August 24 - the East Hartford Board of Education was treated to an impassionate appeal to increase the reach of the robotic team FEC 7153.
This team was founded ten years ago and made up of students in grades 8 through 12. Unfortunately, according to spokesman Kwabena Addai-

9/11 ceremony at Fallen Star

Goodwin University will be hosting its 9/11 Day Of Remembrance Program on Friday, September 11th at 10AM at The Fallen Star Memorial on campus. The program is open to the public and will feature presentations by Mayor Connor Martin, Police Chief Hawkins and Fire Chief Munson as we gather on the 25th Anniversary of 9/11/2001 to pay tribute to and honor our First Responders and Military Servicemembers along with those who perished on that day.

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boateng, a sophomore at the CT IB Academy, the team roster is currently only four members.
He requested that the Board support his efforts to increase membership on the team by offering membership through the public schools. He noted that in the past ten years, the team has made it to the World Championships twice, last year being one of these trips.
He outlined that the team was not just coding or robot building, but encompassed many other aspects of working together, like a sports team.
His passion prompted the Board to make sure they were kept in the loop, after Addai-

Helicopters to inspect power lines

With hurricane and summer storm season, Eversource will be using a helicopter to conduct routine patrols in electric transmission line rights of way as part of its continuing mission to deliver safe, reliable service to customers. Across several communities in north central Connecticut, crews will inspect the condition of the high-voltage transmission sys-

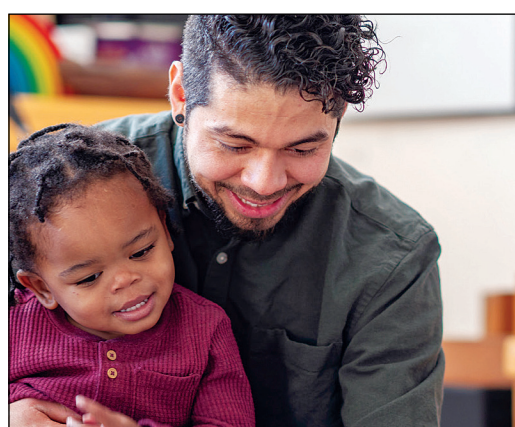
tem to proactively identify and assess any issues that may threaten electric reliability and ensure they're properly addressed as part of the company's comprehensive vegetation management program. Patrols will take place today through Sept. 3 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. over Berlin, Bloomfield, Cheshire, East Haddam, East Hampton, East Hartford, Glastonbury, Haddam, Hartford, Manchester, Meriden, Middlefield, Middletown, New Britain, Newington, Portland, Rocky Hill, South Windsor, Southington, Wallingford, Wethersfield and Windsor.
The board then approved three annual requirements:

boateng meet with both the mayor and the superintendent later this month to see what pathways were open for the expansion of the team opportunity.
In other business, the Board of was informed of over \$437,000 in district contracts which were awarded under the Finance Department's RFP/ITB program. This program allows the District to award three year contracts without Board approval for certain school management activities such as dumpster collection, water treatment and nurse staffing.
The board then approved three annual requirements:

Head Start Self-Assessment 2026; the Primary Mental Health Grant; and the Family Resource Center Grant.
The Head Start self-assessment is part of its five-year plan's requirement to assess its programs concerning family participation and curriculum.
The Mental Health Grant and the Family Resource Center Grant both address needs of the students across the District and includes funding for such programs as Friend to Friends at Silve Lane School, various family-oriented activities in the schools, and support for family education classes.

LVGH classes to begin soon

Literacy Volunteers of Greater Hartford offers free English classes for all levels at the Wickham Memorial Library on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 10 AM - 12 PM.
They are currently enrolling students for the fall term beginning on Tuesday, September 8th. Adults who live in the region and are interested in improving their English may register now at lvgh.org/student-application.
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Employers from industry sectors including finance, education, health care, hospitality, manufacturing, law enforcement will be on hand. Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of their resume and dress for success.

Employers and recruiters may reserve a table by going to the Hartford Athletic Hiring Expo website at www.HartfordAthletic.com/expo.
Table reservations are available until September 7.
Pre-registration is not required to attend the Hiring Expo, it is free and open to the public. For assistance with career services, resume preparation, or job search, job seekers may contact their local American Job Center.

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DESDE LA ESQUINA

by Carmen Maldonado

Los Negocios Pequeños Necesitan tu Apoyo

Agosto está por terminar y ya se avecina septiembre. Y no sé ustedes, pero esta época siempre me hace pensar en esos pequeños negocios que poco a poco comienzan a cambiar sus decoraciones para el otoño. Las calabazas empiezan a aparecer por aquí y por allá, cambian los colores en las vitrinas y de momento todo se siente un poquito más "en familia". Y no, todavía no estamos en otoño, aunque yo estoy loca porque llegue, pero este cambio de temporada me puso a pensar en esos pequeños negocios que quizás durante el corre y corre del verano olvidamos un poquito. Y son precisamente esos pequeños negocios los que muchas veces le dan personalidad y vida a nuestra comunidad. Son los lugares que reconocemos cuando pasamos por la misma calle todos

los días, los que conocemos por nombre y los que poco a poco se convierten en parte de nuestra rutina.

Para muchos latinos, comenzar un negocio significa mucho más que tener un lugar donde vender un producto o servicio. Puede representar independencia, estabilidad económica y la oportunidad de echar pa'lante haciendo algo propio. Y eso tampoco es tan fácil como a veces parece.

Hay que aprender cómo funciona el sistema, conseguir permisos, pagar seguros, entender impuestos, manejar gastos y llenar una cantidad de papeles que uno mira y piensa: "¿Pero otro más?"

Y entiendo que para muchas familias, salir a comer, comprar algo que no sea necesario o contratar ciertos servicios simplemente no cabe en el presupuesto todas las semanas. Pero los pequeños comerciantes también están sintiendo ese aumento.

Ellos también tienen que comprar comida, materiales y productos. Tienen que pagar renta, electricidad, seguros y todos los demás gastos que vienen con mantener un

negocio funcionando. Por eso, cuando vemos que algo cuesta un poquito más que antes, detrás de ese precio puede haber un comerciante tratando de encontrar el balance entre cubrir sus gastos, mantener precios accesibles y todavía poder llevar algo a su casa. Ahora, eso no significa que tenemos que descuadrar el presupuesto para apoyar a todo el mundo. Apoyar nuestra comunidad también tiene que ser realista con nuestro bolsillo. Y por suerte, apoyar no siempre cuesta dinero.

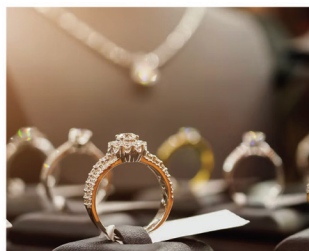
Compartir la página de un negocio, dejar una buena reseña después de recibir un buen servicio, recomendarlo a un amigo o simplemente compartir una publicación puede ayudar a que otras personas lo descubran. Porque vamos a decir la verdad: si podemos mandarles a cinco personas el video del chisme del día, también podemos mandarles la página de ese negocio que nos encantó. Y cuando sí tengamos que gastar, quizás podemos darnos un gustito y comer afuera, podemos probar un restaurante del vecindario.

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SPEAKING OUT!, LETTERS

America's retreat from global stage continues under Trump

To the editor:

In a recent foreign policy move, Commander Donald J. Trump ordered Pentagon troops to "substantially reduce" long standing military exercises with South Korea, which were instituted in 1955 in response to the ongoing North Korean threat to its southern neighbor. Steadfast U.S. support of South Korea has had substantial bipartisan support since the Eisenhower administration and has been an important plank in the South Sea Asian-U.S. policy in containing both the threat posed by North Korea and China.

While rethinking policy can be an effective strategic exercise, Trump's impulsive move was anything but. It was too late for the Pentagon to eliminate annual summer exercises this year, which is Trump's stated intent for upcoming years. In making this initial move, strategist Trump is in danger of threatening the long-standing alliances the U.S. has had with South Korea, Japan and Taiwan. In so doing, this could cause the former two

countries to initiate their own nuclear capability to protect them from the very real threat posed by North Korea as well as China since U.S. military presence in the area will become increasingly unreliable and weaker as a result of Trump's orders.

Trump's stated reasons for the reduction? Annoyance at South Korea for not assisting the U.S. in its war against Iran, and his desire not to anger North Korean leader Kim Jong Un who, Trump contends, "he has very good relations with" (Salon.com, 8-23-2026). Further noting that Un had been "unthreatening and respectful" (NYT, 8-16-2026) during his presidency and wanting to restore the relationship he had with Un during his first term, Trump expressed displeasure "that the United States has, long ago, agreed to participate in Joint Military exercises with South Korea" (NYT).

To recall, Trump did meet with Un three times during his first term for the stated purpose of getting North Korea to denuclearize. That effort utterly

failed.

If anything, North Korea has significantly ramped up its nuclear capabilities since the initial visits in 2018 and 2019, notwithstanding the exchange of "love letters" between the two leaders.

Clearly with Trump one cannot discount the exaggerated importance he attributes to personal relationships, particularly with authoritarian leaders like Un, Xi Jinping, President of China, Vladimir Putin, President of Russia, and former Premier of Hungary, Viktor Orban, darling of the U.S. political right.

As the same time, it would be difficult not to consider the incalculable damage the dubiously-initiated war against Iran has made on the depletion of weaponry, equipment, and the military budget. It is this that needs to be factored into the military pullback in South Korea, as well as in Europe, and the diminution of military resources to Ukraine in its valiant effort to fight off the Russian juggernaut.

Recall that it was Trump's withdrawal from the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) in 2018 that was negotiated during the Obama administration in 2015 as the single-most policy failure that led to the expansion of Iran's nuclear capabilities. The current war is a response to a crisis that was the result of Trump's own doing.

Let the irony of that sink in.

Any wrongly entered war has an incalculable impact on a nation's credibility and capability to carry out a strategically effective foreign policy. This is especially so for such a consequential nation like the United States which has significant interests throughout the world. In this case, the necessity of con-

centrating military resources in fighting the war in Iran for an unanticipated six-month period played a major role in the U.S. limiting its military contribution to Ukraine, which, under the Biden administration provided the backbone to military support for that beleaguered nation.

The fact that North Korea is supplying Russia with troops while Russia is providing its partner with technical military aid should not be lost on the attentive reader in assessing that country's friendliness to the U.S.

While Trump, from the beginning of his second term, leaned toward supporting Putin's view of the war rather than Zelenskyy's, the excursion into Iran played a significant role in removing much of the U.S. military and economic imprint to Ukraine, thereby, extending the war. Now with Trump pulling back in South Korea, he is threatening the viability of the South China Sea security partnerships and alliances that the U.S. has worked on for decades.

The objective of these associations is to bolster the region's security and economic independence, providing a bulwark against the potential expansion of China as well as the military threat a nuclearized North Korea poses for South Korea, and by extension, neighboring areas.

In explaining how he makes foreign policy-based decisions, Trump referred to his own mind and morality as his ultimate arbiter of public authority. The time is at hand for a far broader frame of reference for establishing a sound foreign policy, especially for a nation as consequential as the United States of America.

George Demetrior
East Hartford

Fill the school food pantries

To the Editor:

Back to school is also back to the food pantry for many families in town.

J J & C Contractors LLC has been collecting food to donate to the East Hartford Public Schools Backpack Program. Every year many families need a little extra help, and it is our mission that every child in our school has a well-balanced meal, even when they are not school.

For the first time in 12 years, the school backpack program ran out of food last year! It helps over 100 children by providing a healthy meal over the weekends. Donations welcomed of:

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AG Tong sues USPS over mail

Attorney General William Tong joined 25 other states in filing a lawsuit against the United States Postal Service (USPS) challenging its new rule that grants USPS authority to regulate voting by mail. Tong contends USPS's rule will prevent states from effectively administering mail voting.

"Once again, Donald Trump is breaking the law to try to micromanage who gets to vote, and how we cast our ballots. This time, he's ordering the United States Postal Service to do his dirty work. We sued to block the initial executive order, and now we're suing again to

block USPS from carrying out this illegal directive. The Constitution plainly forbids the President from commandeering elections to manipulate and micromanage how we vote, and we are aggressively pursuing our litigation on multiple fronts to protect our democracy," said Attorney General Tong.

March 31, President Trump issued an Executive Order attempting to establish a national list of eligible voters and directing the U.S. Postal Service to transmit mail ballots only to voters on the list. On August 21, USPS announced a new rule implementing the order.

Who is buried in Pitkin's vault? It's not an open and shut case

Did You Know it's not William, who is buried in Pitkin's tomb? That fact came from a friend who has made it his retirement profession to correct errant FindAGrave website information.

Sounding like the old Groucho Marx joke "Who is buried Grant's Tomb," the answer is not the same, so hold your tongue a moment. Marx ranted and raved that no one was buried in Grant's Tomb located in New York, and he was correct.

General Ulysses S. Grant lies in a sarcophagus which rests above the ground. His wife lies beside him, for those keeping track of facts. So, Marx was correct, no one is buried in the large famous New York mausoleum.

Is that the case in East Hartford? Was Governor William Pitkin preserved like Grant? Or was my friend earnestly researching who was entombed in the Pitkin family vault located in Center Cemetery.

The vault or mausoleum is not the final resting place for the last colonial governor of Connecticut. That location is well documented, and found across the way from the vault, marked by a brownstone table and a small plaque, declaring it the location. Governor Pitkin is surrounded by his wife and family.

So, who is in the vault?

It is the final resting site of Elisha Pitkin and his family, relatives of the governor.

Elisha is the Pitkin who maintained the inn near where

DID YOU KNOW?

Looking back on our East Hartford

By Robert Kanehl

Silver Lane, Pitkin Street and Main Street meet. It was one of the oldest houses in town, until sold, dismantled and move to southern Connecticut. It was in this inn that the French officers were entertained during the Revolutionary War, while they were encamped in town both before and after Yorktown. It this Elisha who owned "Old

Flo", a slave, and did not leave funding to care for her after his death. The court had to step in, ordering the family inheritance cover the costs of Flo's upkeep for the remainder of her life.

Joining Elisha in the tomb are 15 other family members, children and grandchildren as well as their wives. It appears that there are no slaves or servants within.

Anyone venturing into Center Cemetery can easily find the vault, it is located near the Civil War Monument. The years have not been kind, and it was sealed and filled with concrete, for fear it would collapse. The entrance door, once, faced away from the monument, but if you ventured

to the backside of the vault, there is large stone listing members of the Elisha Pitkin branch all resting in the vault.

A thank you has to be expressed to the disbanded Friends of Center Cemetery Incorporated which worked diligently to preserve the cemetery's history and stones for the future.

It is this group which placed the large stone at the Pitkin Vault designating who is within the walls. This group also placed the small plaques found throughout the cemetery. These plaques and accompanying internet links identify interesting stores or facts often overlooked with time.

School funding thoughts? Tell Blue Ribbon Panel survey

The Connecticut Governor's Blue Ribbon Commission on K-12 Education Funding and Accountability wants to hear from students, families, educators, staff, and community members across the state. There are two ways to participate: Take the Anonymous Community Survey to share your thoughts and experiences. Survey: https://law-columbia.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9N7wB0GtbUPQmz4

The Commission is also hosting virtual listening sessions twice weekly. Share your thoughts, ask questions and discuss concerns. <https://calendar.google.com/calendar/u/0/apointments/schedules/AcZssZ0XLO9UVcQopwx5eBR1-trB0ch9f76gOb2D7aPprysFxTr4GwxsRJsx6ttJiW41CF37ZORtZtXk>

SPEAKING OUT!, LETTERS

Reform state's Congressional apportionment

To the Editor:

A recent *Gazette* editorial page discussed the Connecticut First Congressional District Democratic Party primary election.

The *Gazette* should perhaps broaden discussions to consider why have primaries at all? And, separately, why have geographic districting in Connecticut?

First, the question of why have these expensive to conduct political party primaries. The Democratic party has only about 40 percent of all registered voters, and Republicans about half of that. Today, in 2026, "unaffiliated" registered voters exceed both main stream political parties in number.

Then consider that only a small fraction of eligible Democrats and Republicans actually turn out to vote in their party primaries.

So why should 40 to 60 percent of taxpayers - who are ineligible to cast a vote in these closed political party primaries, essentially be made to subsidize what these primaries are: A closed political party process?

Why not eliminate primaries entirely, and allow any candidate eligible to primary just have a position on the November ballot?

Secondly, geographic congressional districting. Is that appropriate? In an age where highways connect us, people commute to their place of work, or even conduct work via the in-

ternet, and topical issues and concerned are shared experience by those living all across the state of Connecticut, why have Congressional districts determined by virtue of who happens to have the majority of political power when handpicking the insiders who get to serve on committees gerrymandering the district lines?

Partitioning up of the congressional districts harkens back to the mode of favoritism and power politics which dates back to the 18th century, one which only politicians desire to cling to as it legally allows them to rig results in favor of whichever party happens to be in power at the time. The results? Just look at the outcome of August 11: Voter apathy, evidence of which was the extremely low voter turnout - even with 9 extra promoted days of early voting, curbside voting, and no excuse absentee ballot voting.

For all the concern about "equity and inclusion" in the voting process, our congressional districts are systemically designed to do the exact opposite. Significant population subgroups, other than residence location, may be misrepresented - more so now that Congressman John Larson has lost the primary. The native of East Hartford is being replaced by the former Hartford mayor, a mayor, which should be noted, came to power in the capitol city as the attorney and cam-

paign manager for a former governor from Stamford, Dannel Malloy, then was elected by less than 10 percent of the city's population.

Was this an example of representative government at work? Or was it simply time for a change in the old guard?

Would Connecticut be better served by having five at-large congressional representatives? Not likely. As modern political campaigns are powered by money, and as Fairfield County dominates when it comes to campaign contributors, we might end up with five congresscritters from Cos Cob.

Better might be four districts plus one congressperson elected at-large. Connecticut once had an at-large congressman, who typically was Polish.

Perhaps we should view it like a game of poker. Four cards dealt face up, one card face down. That might winnow the political field out in a more exciting way.

On the other hand, if all congressional seats were at large seats, and primaries were open to all - including the option of having write-in candidates - every district in Connecticut would have a stake in the primary process.

After all, we all ante up for the cost of these elections, therefore, we all deserve to have skin in the game.

Joseph Brzezinski
Manchester

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WHERE THE ACTION IS!

BY CORINNE HORAN

HISTORY TOURS: The East Hartford Historical Society at Martin Park is open from 1 to 4 pm Sundays for tours, 307 Burnside Avenue. The 1761 Makens Bemont House, also known as the Huguenot House, is restored to its original 18th century appearance with period furnishings. Also open is the 1821 Goodwin Schoolhouse and the 1850 Burnham Blacksmith Shop. Tours free, donations accepted. Call 860-528-0716 or visit www.historicalsociety-ofeasthartford.org

AUG. 31 BLOOD DRIVE at the Senior Center, 15 Milbrook Road, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Call the American Red Cross for appointment: 1-800-733-2767 or visit online at www.redcrossblood.org.

AUGUST EVENTS AT THE WORLD WAR II LEGACY FOUNDATION MUSEUM, 102 Pitkin St., will be closed August 29 - 30th. Instead, we will be participating in the World War II Weekend at the New England Air Museum. This weekend meet honored guest, WWII veteran James N. Britton. Britton was born in Hartford in 1925. He served in the US Navy from January 1944 to June 1952 and attained the rank of Engine-man Petty Officer 1st Class. During WWII, he served aboard the USS LST 842 which saw action in the Asiatic-Pacific theater and participated in the assault and occupation of Okinawa, June 1945. Britton also served in the Korean Conflict and was stationed at the Military Ocean Terminal at Bayonne, NJ. He will be at the museum Saturday August 29 & Sunday August 30 to meet visitors and share his story. For more info visit <https://neam.org/pages/wwii>. Please note: all veteran appearances are subject to change.

SEPT 4: EAST HARTFORD SENIOR PICNIC, noon until 3 p.m., at Goodwin University's facility at 3 Pent Road. Tickets are \$12; (\$14 for caretakers and guests) cash only and must be purchased in advance at the Senior Center front desk in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. Raffles, theme prizes, food, music and entertainment!

SEPT. 9 - WICKHAM DAY QUILTERS OF EAST HARTFORD meets, 1:30-3:30 p.m., at Wickham Library meeting room, 656 Burnside Avenue. Like to sew? Interested in quilting? Not a fan of driving at night? Attend a meeting to see if you would like to join us. Any skill level welcome. We meet the second Wednesday of the month. Wickham Day Quilters is a chapter of the Greater Hartford Quilt Guild. The September program will be reviewing the programs for the year and signing up for Challenges. Questions? Email us at Wickhamdayquilters@gmail.com.

SEPT 10: BLOOD DRIVE, 1 to 6 p.m. at St. Christopher Church, 538 Brewer Street.

SEPT 11 - 9/11 REMEMBRANCE DAY at Goodwin University's Fallen Star Memorial at 10 a.m. The program will be open to the public and will feature presentations by Mayor Connor Martin, Police Chief

Mack Hawkins and Fire Chief Kevin Munson as all gather on the 25th Anniversary of 9/11/2001 to pay tribute to and honor our First Responders and Military Servicemembers along with those who perished on that day.

SEPT 12: HILLSTOWN GRANGE'S 138TH ANNUAL AGRICULTURAL FAIR, Saturday, 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at 617 Hills St. Admission free. All welcome to enter and participate for bragging rights and prizes. There will also be raffles at the end of the fair. Craftspeople, artists, gardeners and cooks of all ages may enter their best handiwork and items to be judged for ribbons and cash prize awards. Entries must be brought to the Grange Hall Thursday, Sept. 10, between 5 and 7 p.m. Also at the fair, enjoy lunch of our famous grilled hot dogs and hamburgers, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Indoor and outdoor seating, depending on the weather, for lunch. Raffle numbers will

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be pulled at 2 p.m. Farmer's Market and Craft Zone outside, weather permitting. If interested in setting up as a vendor, there will be spaces available. Contact us at 860-558-4688.

SEPT. 12: CHICKEN BBQ DINNER at South Congregational Church, 1301 Forbes St. This annual event gets underway at 6 p.m. Besides chicken, the menu includes corn-on-the-cob, pasta and garden salads, rolls, dessert and beverage. Tickets are \$15.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children ages 10 and under, and will be sold at the door. FMI call 860-568-5150, or visit southucc.org

SEPT 15: TECH FOR SENIORS at the East Hartford Senior Center. Sign up by calling 860-291-7492. One on One (bring your device) 1-2:30pm held in Computer Room One on One and group Class 2:30-4pm held in Media Room. Topics include Smart-phones at a Glance, October 20 - Is that AI? Nov. 17 - MyChart. Dec 15 - Understanding Fraud & Scams.

SEPT. 16: HIRING EXPO hosted by the CT Dept. of Labor from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Hartford's Trinity Health Stadium. Employers and recruiters may re-

serve a table by going to the Hartford Athletic Hiring Expo website at www.HartfordAthletic.com/expo. Table reservations are available until Sept. 7. Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of their resume and dress for success; hiring managers may be on site. Free and open to all.

SEPT 19: APPLE FAIR AT ALL SAINTS CHURCH, 444 Hills St., outdoor and indoor Fair and Tag Sale from 9 a.m. 'til 1 p.m. Delicious baked goods, Cookies, Jams, Pickles, Fudge and Fun Stuff. Homemade Soups, Chili (both to go and to eat in) and Apple Crisp, Lunch and a Raffle. Tag Sale spaces are \$10 per 10' x 10' area. Vendor registration? Call or text 1-860-490-3270. No rain date. See you there!

OCT 3: THIRD ANNUAL EAST HARTFORD WALK FOR HOPE breast cancer awareness event takes place October 3. Event check-in begins at 8:30 a.m. at 50 Chapman Place, the Community Center building.

After a brief program at 9, with testimony from breast cancer survivors, the walk begins at 9:15 with a one mile walk starting and ending at the front steps of the Community Center. Walk, run, or cheer from the sidelines, your participation will make a significant impact. Together, we can make strides towards a future without breast cancer. FMI https://ehparks.myrec.com/info/activities/program_details.aspx?ProgramID=30081

THURSDAYS - SOLDIERS & SAILORS MEMORIAL ARCH TOURS, Bushnell Park. noon until 1:30 p.m. The Arch is open for FREE tours on Thursdays from 12-1:30 pm, May through October. Volunteer Arch Guides share the history behind the design and construction of the monument, along with the meaning behind its symbolic carvings and statuary. Tours last approximately 15-30 minutes, no pre-registration is required. Only have a few minutes? Climb to the top for the view.

GET A FREE CHECKUP - Malta's Mobile Clinic is open from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. the 2nd and 4th Mondays of the month, sees patients by appointment. Anyone can call 860-725-0171 to register. The van is parked in the St. Mary's Church hall lot on Maplewood Avenue off Main Street.

VISITING NURSE AND HOME HEALTH SERVICES are looking for Hospice volunteers to provide companionship and support. If interested, please contact John Roush at jroush@ech.org or 860-682-3405.

MY SISTERS' PLACE: Help provide affordable housing and services for families. Mail donations to Community Housing Advocates, 221 Main St., 4th Floor, Hartford, CT 06106. FMI call 860-808-2048.

FOSTER FAMILIES needed for children in DCF care in every town. FMI or to register for a meeting, contact Annie C Courtney Foundation, 475-235-2184. Annie C works with the Dept. of Children and Families to find foster parents for over 3,000 children. FMI see www.anniec.org

Society

Does your squash have what it takes?

Don't miss Hillstown Grange's 138th Annual Agricultural Fair, Saturday, Sept. 12, 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at 617 Hills St. in the Hillstown section of town. Admission is free.

All are welcome to enter and participate for bragging rights and prizes. There will also be raffles at the end of the fair. Craftspeople, artists, gardeners and cooks of all ages may enter their best handiwork and items to be judged for ribbons and cash prize awards. Entries must be brought to the Grange Hall Thursday, Sept. 10, between 5 and 7 p.m.; then picked up between 1 and 2 p.m. on Saturday,

Sept. 12. Garden categories include: Vegetables, fruit, flowers and "Special Contests" in both Adult and Youth award levels. Kitchen categories include: baked goods, canned goods, jelly and jams. Special Contests for 2026 are: Best in Show for: Charlestown Grey Watermelon, Round Zucchini Squash, and Ice Cream Sunflowers. Crafts, hobbies, and photos all can be entered.

See entry form for rules. The 2026 program guide is posted at www.HillstownGrange.org.

Hillstown Grange is the only local agricultural fair in the area for entries in the Connecti-

cut State Fairs competitions. One Hillstown Grange winner went on to win the state title of best apple pie.

Also at the fair, come hungry as lunch will be served, our famous grilled hot dogs and hamburgers, topped with peppers and onions, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Indoor and outdoor seating, depending on the weather, for lunch. Raffle numbers will be pulled at 2 p.m.

A Farmer's Market and Craft Zone will be outside, also weather permitting. If interested in setting up as a vendor, there will be spaces available. Contact us at 860-558-4688.

Penney High Class of '66 60th Reunion

The Penney High School Class of 1966 will be holding its 60th Reunion on **October 9, 2026** at the Manchester Country Club from 12:00-4:00. The cost is \$65.00 per person and guests are welcome. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. We are able to extend the deadline. Please send checks for \$65 made out to Penney High School 60th Reunion to: Carol Bonk Smith, 4 Pennington Drive, Simsbury, CT 06070 by Sept. 10, 2026. We look forward to seeing you. The Penney High School 60th Reunion Committee: Dianne Chauvin, Tom Chauvin, Barbara Vendetta Daly, George Demettrion, Patti Hanson Fiori, Karen Del Maestro Hurley, George Neary, Carol Bonk Smith and Sharon Young.

Grant for Burnside Warming Center

Thirty-eight Greater Hartford nonprofits are receiving a combined \$630,000 to help residents with food, clothing, personal care products and other basic needs. Among the recipients is New Covenant United Methodist Church in East Hartford, which received \$8,700 for its Friendship Center and senior food box program.

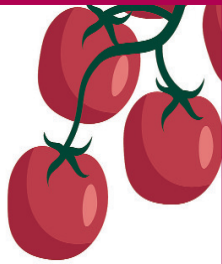
The church's Friendship Center provides grab-and-go meals three days a week as well as other food, while eligible low-income seniors can receive monthly boxes of nonperishable food.

"We put our hearts into supporting the needs of our neighbors, and we are very grateful to the Greater Hartford Gives Foundation," Friendship Center Manager Pamela Douglas said.

"This grant will allow us to strengthen our offerings through increased access to fresh healthy foods, and the supplies and services we need to better serve our community."

138TH ANNUAL

HILLSTOWN GRANGE Agricultural Fair



DATE & TIME PLACE

Saturday, Sept 12 617 Hills Street
 9 AM - 2 PM East Hartford

Craft people, artists, gardeners and cooks for all ages are encouraged to enter their best items to be judged for our fair.

Judged items may be awarded ribbons and cash prizes. All entries must be brought to the grange Hall Thursday September 10th, between 5-7pm and picked up September 12th from 1-2pm.

Hillstown Grange's famous Hot Dogs and Hamburgers topped with peppers and onions will be for purchase from 11 am- 1pm

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EAST HARTFORD SPORTS

Former CT QB proves he belongs

Last month I updated the fortunes of former UConn quarterback Joe Fagnano who signed a three year contract with the Baltimore Ravens as an undrafted free agent. When the Ravens waived former Vanderbilt quarterback Diego Pavila, Fagnano was pretty much assured of a roster spot.

In two preseason games he only enhanced his status.

Granted, NFL teams gave little game time to established players in the preseason and Fagnano faced a lot of defensive second stringers. Conversely, he played behind a second string line and threw to second string receivers. In the two games

SCOTT GRAY on SPORTS

by Scott Gray



Fagnano hit 77 percent of his passes for 347 yards, two touchdowns and one interception in wins over the Eagles and Vikings. By the beginning of next week we'll know how he fared in the eyes of the Ravens' talent evaluators. There is one catch.

Baltimore's a team that doesn't like to use a roster spot on a third quarterback. They may prefer to have him on the practice squad where he's available to move up at any moment. Final training camp cuts come this Sunday at 6 p.m. On Monday at 1 p.m. they can begin signing players who didn't make the cut to their practice squads, where they'll practice with the team on a daily basis. Each team can sign as many as 16 practice squad players. But, again, there's a catch.

Between the Sunday cut deadline and 1 p.m. Monday any players who don't make the 53-man roster can be claimed on waivers by any other team. Based on his preseason performance, the Ravens would be running the risk of Fagnano being claimed off waivers if they don't put him on the 53-man roster. They obviously like Fagnano. But will they break precedent and give him the #3 quarterback slot out of camp to avoid losing him? Either way it looks like there's a place in the NFL for Joe Fagnano.

Last week Red Sox legend and Hall of Famer Carl Yastrzemski celebrated his 87th birthday. To mark the occasion I played a round of golf with his cousin, who grew up playing sandlot ball with Carl on Long Island. I won.

It was sad to note the passing of former major league pitcher Tommy John who, unfortunately, was better known for the ligament replacement surgery that resurrected his career than for the resume he put together over 26 seasons. With his passing comes renewed discussion about his Hall of Fame credentials.

He had 288 career wins, second most for any pitcher not in the Hall of Fame. But, as the various voting committees evaluated John, there was never overwhelming support. He never received more than 32 percent of the writers' vote; 75 percent needed to qualify. In the 2025 Classic Era ballot he gathered only seven of the required 12 votes. Voters didn't see him as a dominant pitcher of his era having never led his league in any of the major pitching categories, wins, strikeouts, ERA. His name is prominent in baseball circles, but the numbers don't support his eligibility for the Hall of Fame.

New coach, football culture at EHHS



LED BY COACH TY OUTLAW, who quarterbacked the Hornets back in the day then went on to coach Bloomfield High to multiple state championships, this year's football team has a new outlook to go along with leadership.

A new football season is approaching at East Hartford High School, and there is a renewed sense of anticipation surrounding the program.

Under New Head Coach Ty Outlaw, an East Hartford High School alumnus and former standout player, the program is working to establish a new identity built around hard work, team culture and community support. The campaign is about more than preparing for another season, it is about rebuilding the foundation of the program and restoring pride in East Hartford football.

Coach Outlaw and his staff believe rebuilding a football program starts with culture. Their focus is on developing athletes who embrace the core values of discipline, accountability and preparation. These core values are etched in every player's mind both on and off the field.

That message was evident during the team's rigorous Football Camp held August 17-20. Both new and returning players were challenged physically and mentally during the week.

The four-day camp featured a demanding physical conditioning plan, a detailed schedule of team activities, and time for fellowship and refueling. Players were pushed to work through fatigue and maintain concentration but also received the opportunity to engage each of their teammates and coaches in a lighter platform where coaches were able to connect with athletes on a less intense

level.

Coach Tyrell Huff has continuously emphasized the importance of being proud to be an East Hartford football player and how important a player's attitudes and actions in school and in the community make a difference for themselves, their families, and their futures. The biggest takeaway has always been that any athlete in an East Hartford uniform represents more than themselves.

For Coach Outlaw, that message carries special meaning. As an East Hartford alumnus and former standout player, he knows firsthand what it means to represent the school on the football field and in the community. His personal connection to the program gives him a unique perspective as he leads the current generation. Now, he is looking to help create that same sense of pride among today's athletes while establishing a culture that can carry the program into the future.

While the players and coaches are responsible for the work on the field, rebuilding the program will require support from the entire East Hartford community. Parents, students, Town Leadership, residents and especially EHHS alumni are encouraged to rally behind the team as the season approaches. The Program was happy to share lunch with guests from the Town Council and Board of Education. Tyron Harris, Board of Education Chairman, accompanied by

Councilmen Don Bell and Harry Amadasun Jr took some time to visit with athletes and show their support during camp and expressed support and excitement for upcoming season. Lunch was provided for key days during the camp by local businesses in East Hartford. "As Board of Education Chair, I am incredibly proud to see the commitment our students and coaches are demonstrating," said Board of Education Chairman Tyron Harris. "Football is about so much more than what happens on Friday nights. It teaches discipline, teamwork, accountability and perseverance values that students can carry with them into the classroom, their careers and their communities."

The rebuilding of East Hartford football will not happen overnight. It will be measured through daily commitment, player development and the culture established within the program. Coach G.K. Sims, Offensive and Defensive Line Coach, summed up the approach simply expressing "The recipe for execution is simple: Think Big, Start Small, and Move Quickly."

The players are putting in the work. The coaches are building the culture. Now, the community has a role to play: Come to the games. Fill the stands. Support the players. Rally the alumni.

The Nest is swarming in the East. Get ready.

- Coach GK Sims Jr.

OBITUARIES

David Scott Derohanian, 61

David Scott Derohanian, 61, passed away on Sunday, August 23, 2026, surrounded by the care and support that had enriched his life for decades.

Born during the 1964 measles epidemic, David faced extraordinary challenges from the very beginning. Born blind, deaf, and with multiple disabilities associated with congenital measles complications, he entered a world where doctors could offer only limited hope, and his life expectancy was estimated to be just five years. His story is a powerful reminder of why we get the measles and rubella vaccines today – to protect children from the devastating complications that result from these diseases, and to prevent another generation from facing the challenges David endured.

Yet David defied every expectation. At the age of five, he became a part of the Oak Hill School for the Blind community. As an adult, he transitioned to an Oak Hill-affiliated group home, Robert Edwards Group Home, where he continued to receive the attentive care and companionship that became such an important part of his life. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to his caregiver of 28 years, Keith Kaczmarcyk, whose extraordinary dedication, professionalism, and genuine affection profoundly enhanced David's quality of life. Keith's enduring commitment exemplified the very best of compassionate caregiving and he will always remain an important part of David's story. His last month was at the CIB – Watertown Group Home where he continued to receive exceptional care.

Though he faced challenges most of us cannot imagine, his life was a testament to perseverance, dignity, and the profound impact of compassionate caregiving. Because of the unwavering dedication, compassion, and expertise of the staff at Oak Hill, he was given not only exceptional care but also a loving environment in which he could thrive. What began as a prognosis of only five years became a life of sixty-one years, made possible through decades of expert care, advocacy, compassion, and support from the entire Oak Hill community.

David is survived by his mother, Mary Ann (Livingstone) Derohanian; his brother, Joseph Derohanian and his sons Tyler and Cory; his sister and her husband, Lori (Derohanian) and Douglas Michalek and their son Griffin; and his late brother Daniel Derohanian's children, Kevin, Kelsey, and Courtney. David was preceded in death by his father, Charles and his brother, Daniel.

Oak Hill provided David with far more than care. It gave him a home, a community, and the opportunity to live a life that exceeded every expectation. Through the extraordinary dedication, compassion, and lifelong support of the Oak Hill staff and caregivers, he lived to the age of 61. His family will be forever grateful for the gift of those additional years and hope that donations made in his memory will help Oak Hill continue its mission of enriching the lives of others with disabilities.

Funeral services will be private and by invitation only. Please respect the family's wishes. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in David's memory may be made to Oak Hill, 120 Holcomb Street, Hartford, CT 06112 or Oakhillct.org. The D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter St. has funeral arrangements. For on-line expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoeoh.com

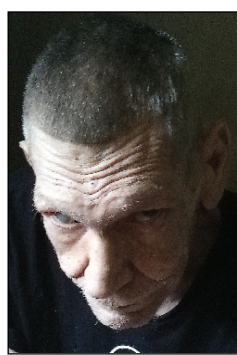
Dennis Laurie Cormier, 72

Dennis Laurie Cormier, 72, let go of his earthly struggles and passed away peacefully at his home in East Hartford with his sister Linda Warburton by his side after battling Alzheimer's and dementia.

He was born on March 20, 1954, and was the son of the late Herve and Beverly (Cooney) Cormier.

Dennis was a lifelong resident of East Hartford and graduated from George J. Penney High School, class of 1974.

Prior to retirement, Dennis was an ironworker, carpenter, and had many other jobs. In his



Dennis Cormier

Elizabeth "Betty" Anelli (Kilgariff) Russell passed away peacefully on August 12, 2026 at the age of 102. Betty was born in

Hartford, Connecticut on May 30, 1924, the only child of Nicholas and Francis Anelli. She will be remembered with deep love for her intellect, warmth, kindness, and genuine care for others. Betty had a lifelong appreciation for the printed word, theatre, and the quiet beauty of butterflies. She was a devoted supporter of the arts, education and the joy of reading. Whether immersed in a beloved book, moved by a theatre performance, or engaged in thoughtful conversation, Betty found beauty, inspiration, and connection in the world around her. Betty was a devout Catholic and a communicant of St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church in Hartford. Her faith was an important source of strength and guidance throughout her life. Betty moved to East Hartford at an early age and graduated from East Hartford High School. She had a successful corporate career, a trailblazer who rose the ranks to be one of the first female officers at CIGNA. Through intelligence, determination, and quiet strength, she earned the respect of her colleagues and

free time, he enjoyed watching Western shows and was an avid NASCAR fan.

He is survived by his son Dennis Mathew Cormier Jr., his daughter Amanda Brown and his sister Linda Warburton with whom he made his home.

A celebration of life took place August 26 at First Church of Christ, Glastonbury.

D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel was entrusted with arrangements. For on-line expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoeoh.com



Elizabeth Russell

helped pave the way for those who followed. Betty lived her whole life in East Hartford and was deeply involved in her community. She was a founding member of the East Hartford Women's Club and a long-time active member of the Democratic Women's Club, the EH Historical Society and the EH Fine Arts Commission, among other groups. Betty leaves behind a wealth of deep friendships cultivated over a lifetime.

Family was everything to Betty. She was predeceased by her beloved first husband, Matthew Kilgariff. She is survived by her beloved husband, Dan Russell; her stepsons,

Jonathan Russell (Cindi) and Rob Russell (Wendy); her step-grandchildren, Emma Russell (Tim) and Sam Russell (Marie), and a great-grandson, Liam Russell. She is also survived by her very dear cousins and their families, Carol Ann DiPietro, Richard Bukowski (Helen) and Robert Bukowski (Julie).

A service celebrating Betty's life will be held on Friday, August 28 at 10 a.m. at St. Patrick-St. Anthony Church, 285 Church St., Hartford, with a calling hour at the church from 9-10 a.m. To livestream Betty's funeral Mass, please go to the St. Patrick-St. Anthony website, www.spsact.org. Burial will be private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Patrick-St. Anthony. Share a memory of Betty at www.desopofuneralchapel.com

Bruce DeLugo; band director

Bruce N. DeLugo, 76, of Falmouth, ME, passed away peacefully at his home on August 20, 2026 after a two year battle with various complications from a stroke.

Born to the late Daniel and Naomi DeLugo, Bruce grew up in West Hempstead, New York, graduating from West Hempstead High in 1968, C.W. Post then University of Hartford Hartt School of Music.

Growing up Bruce was always around dogs. He finally was able to call one his own: Samantha, an Old English Sheepdog, followed by Bailey (Old English Sheepdog), Charlie (chocolate Lab), Lexi, (Chesapeake Retriever), and finally Shaggy, his companion for the past 9 years.

He acquired an affection for antique clocks, becoming a collector and repair person. He was a member of the NAWCC (National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors) Chapter 89 and was respected for both his knowledge of clocks and their inner workings and what made them tick.

Bruce was a retired middle school band director with East Hartford Schools where he taught for 35 years after graduating with his music degree. His love of music grew from the time he was in elementary school, through his high school years, and on into his collegiate

years. He wanted to become a teacher to help spread his love of music to young aspiring musicians, and to those who didn't realize they had a love of music just yet. One of his greatest accomplishments as a young high school musician was his selection to perform with the American Airlines United States Youth Orchestra performing at Carnegie Hall.

After retirement, Bruce moved to Maine to enjoy the clean fresh air that northern New England had to offer.

Bruce was pre-deceased by his wife Kathie, and his parents, Daniel and Naomi DeLugo. Left to cherish his memory are his brother Rick (Debbie), and nephew Ben (Mary), grand-nephews Bryson and Nolan, (all living in Virginia), his primary caregiver Bev, assistant caregivers Kim and Stella, and many friends from Connecticut, New Hampshire, and Maine, including Ken, Tom, Cesar, and Lori. His loss will be felt deeply by all who knew him.

A big THANK YOU to Palliative Care of Maine and hospice for making his last few weeks bearable not only for Bruce, but for those around him. A "Celebration of Life" will be held Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026 at his home at 148 Brook Rd., Falmouth ME 04105, from 1 until 4 p.m.

Museums on both sides of the pond partner

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our visitors with an international perspective on military history", said Gary Roy, Co-Founder of the World War II Legacy Foundation Museum. The World War II Legacy Foundation Museum is the only exclusive World War II museum in Connecticut but displays artifacts from throughout our nation. This partnership will allow it to enhance its international displays.

Military Museum Scotland, renowned for its hands-on exhibits, replica trench systems, and extensive collection spanning World War I to modern times, sees this collaboration as a vital bridge between nations. Ian Inglis says, "So what better day to make the announcement to the world that Military Museum Scotland, West Lothian and The WWII Legacy Founda-



'Sandy', the Scottish Military Museum's 25-pounder, saw duty in the African desert during WWI then was used to mark the 1 p.m. hour daily atop Edinburgh Castle.

tion Inc. are now twinned. Both of our museums share a common ethos, as our main focus is Education, Remembrance and supporting Veterans in need. I am proud and honored to welcome Gary Roy and Marianne Mihalyo and the WWII Legacy Foundation Museum as a Sister museum to Military Museum

Scotland".

The Military Museum Scotland is similar in its formation to the World War II Legacy Foundation Museum. Both are registered non-profit organizations which are run entirely by volunteers. Military Museum Scotland was established in 2017 after operating a mobile museum for many years, similar to the WWII Legacy Foundation. Both rely on fundraising and donations to continue operation.

The Military Museum Scotland was named Scottish Tourist Attraction of the year for three years running.

To arrange a visit, or to support upcoming collaborative exhibits, go to World War II Legacy Foundation, Inc. or Military Museum Scotland Facebook pages, or to <https://militarymuseum.scot>.

New round to apply for energy assistance

Generation Power CT (GPCT) has announced the opening of its next Emergency Energy Assistance application cycle, providing eligible Connecticut households access to financial assistance to help maintain safe and reliable access to heat and power. Applications for the upcoming cycle will be accepted September 1-15

through GPCT's online portal. The program offers grants up to \$500 to eligible households for utility, gas, electric, or fuel-related energy expenses.

Eligible households may receive one energy assistance grant per 12-month period, allowing GPCT to extend support to as many families as possible, throughout the state.

During their last fiscal year (July 2025 - June 2026), GPCT provided more than 5,700 emergency energy grants to struggling Connecticut households.

Applications are accepted online only. Residents seeking assistance or additional information about eligibility requirements and required documentation should visit gpct.org/gethelp for more information.

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TOWN DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR STEVE HNATUK speaks at the Silver Lane redevelopment site Friday as Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz, left, listens.

Brownfield check presented

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wcz, East Hartford is one of 12 towns sharing in a total of \$15 million earmarked funds. This money she noted would be going to clean-up over 267 acres of land across the state similar to Silver Land Plaza.

"The funds will be used to refit this deserted site into a vibrant center. Which will increase the community tax base," Bysiewicz stated.

Town officials accepting the award money echoed the Lieutenant Governor's prediction of the future. East Hartford Development Director Steve Hnatuk noted that the funds will "help establish the remediation needs, and consider how the town should move forward." Hnatuk added that beside the 20 acres on Silver Lane the parcel also connects to the old Showcase Cinema parcel, which already has 400 apartments planned for it.

House Majority Leader and State Representative Jason Rojas noted that since the project began, residents of the area have contact him concerned with what will be happening on the cleared site.

"This funding is just one of several steps the town is taking to see the area be redeveloped," he stated.

State Sen. Saud Anwar noted that "location is everything," and that this location was close to the highway, bus lines and other commercial and retail businesses. "This is all part of an effort to have this area live up to its potential."

Lt. Gov. Bysiewicz concluded that East Hartford was leading the state in its approach to bringing in needed housing units. "By developing empty commercial sites like Showcase, the Riverfront and Silver Lane, East Hartford is turning spaces into much needed housing."

LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF CONNECTICUT
Court of Probate, Hartford Regional Children's Probate Court District

NOTICE TO JASON BINETTE

whose last known address is unknown to the court.

Pursuant to an order of Hon. Paul R. Bedard, Judge, a hearing will be held at the Hartford Regional Children's Probate Court, 50 Chapman Place, Suite 109, East Hartford CT 06108 on September 24, 2026 at 1:30 PM on a petition for Removal of Guardian of the Person concerning a certain minor child born on April 13, 2009. The Court's decision will affect your interest, if any, as in the petition on file more fully appears.

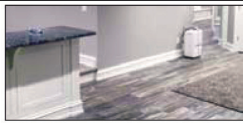
RIGHT TO COUNSEL: If the above-named person wishes to have an attorney, but is unable to pay for one, the court will provide an attorney upon proof of inability to pay. Any such request should be made immediately by contacting the court office where the hearing is to be held.

By order of the court,

Trish Camacho, Assistant Clerk

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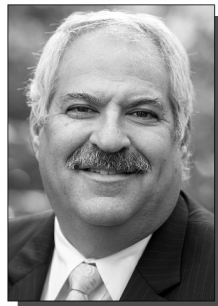
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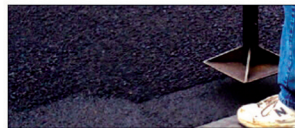


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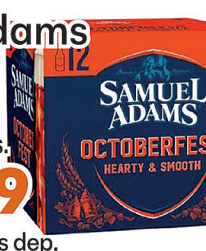
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