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Noble station reopens roadway

By Bill Doak

Noble Gas has opened Friday at the corner of Prospect and Governor streets, a “soft opening” of the 16-pump convenience store and sleek new car wash.

Chemists may be disappointed to find there are no actual noble gases – helium, neon, krypton argon or xenon - sold at Noble Gas, they will be pleased that the car washes are free through this Friday. The car vacuums are always free as well, a deal which only the nature of physics might abhor, if she happened to wheel her universe around the corner.

Trucks also will need to navigate the corner as they are prohibited from entering the gas station from Governor Street, and while trucks are prohibited from using Prospect Street town officials have solved that statute by moving the “no trucks” sign north up the block past the new driveway and crosswalk.

The new gas station features two high-speed 40-gallon-per minute diesel fuel pumps for trucks under a separate canopy so navigating the driveway off Prospect for those trucks will

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NOBLE GAS STATION OPENS



AT THE NEW NOBLE GAS STATION at Prospect and Governor Streets is “Nini” short for Nissabel. The East Hartford woman likes her new job, one of dozens of employees at the expansive gas station and convenience store.



Detentions impacting community

Mayor Connor S. Martin told the Town Council Tuesday that immigration enforcement agents detained someone on Connecticut Boulevard, part of a statewide effort apparently underway being conducted without alerting local or state leaders.

The mayor did not provide details of the detention, where the person was taken or any specifics - just that he wanted the Council to be aware.

On Tuesday Gov. Ned Lamont said his administration is coordinating with community organizations and advocates regarding increased ICE activity.

“Let me be clear: Connecticut does not want, nor do we need, the type of presence ICE has had in our state this week. Connecticut has some of the lowest crime rates in the country, thanks to the excellent work our state and local police do to keep violent criminals off our streets. Rounding up people at random to fill a quota does not lower crime. It traumatizes families and communities.

“In Connecticut, we respect the dignity and humanity of every person who calls our state home, and we value the contributions of our immigrant communities to our state. I am also grateful for the community advocates and volunteer lawyers assisting those who have been detained and those

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AROUND TOWN

Community wellness day September 26 at EHHS

Together We Run For Education Charity Road Race, hosted in partnership with DT Cares and East Hartford Public Schools on Saturday, Sept 26 at East Hartford High School. Registration and check in open at 9 a.m. and the 5K road race and 1.5 mile walk step off at 10.

Bring your family, friends, and neighbors for a day of fitness, fun, and giving back. Let's run together to open more doors for our students' future!

Our annual grant opportunity for staff of the East Hartford Public School system is now accepting applications. Any and all staff of the school district are encouraged to

apply. Applications are due October 15.

The walk and run is part of Celebrate Community Day in East Hartford which will bring education, fitness, family engagement, health services and community resources together at East Hartford High School, coordinated by DT Cares, an organization committed to empowering youth through mentorship, wellness, and leadership development.

The day is expected to bring students, families, educators, alumni, health partners and community organizations together at the high school for a free day centered on education,

wellness, movement and connection. Developed in collaboration with the EH Alumni Association and town schools, it is hoped that the annual event will bring runners, first-time participants, students, families and members of the community together to participate in a day of fitness.

"This event gives our community another meaningful way to rally around East Hartford students and educators. The race/walk is a fun way to come together and promote community, health, and education while raising funds to support student scholarships, classroom innovation and educational opportunities," stated Brittney Cavaliere, Board Chair, East Hartford Alumni Association & Education Foundation.

The day is designed to be a "whole-child approach with community impact" by DT Cares. Activities will extend beyond the morning race.

From 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., families will have access to experiences and resources including: 3v3 basketball, kids activities and games, student

performances and groups, community organizations and resources, food and refreshments, and get free health and wellness services. A major component of the day will be preventive health access. Hartford Health-Care will provide an on-site mobile mammography service, creating an opportunity for eligible community members to access breast-health screenings directly at the event. The day will also include blood pressure and cholesterol screenings and additional health screenings for students and adults.

The integration of education, health, family engagement and recreation reflects the larger approach DT Cares is advancing through the event, they say.

East Hartford Community Day is strengthened by organizations bringing distinct resources and expertise to the day. The East Hartford Alumni Association & Education Foundation will lead the race component and continue directing race proceeds toward students and educators. East Hartford Public Schools serves as education partner and host.

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.

Hiring fair

The 6th annual Hiring Expo will be held Sept. 16 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Hartford's Trinity Health Stadium.

Job seekers are encouraged to bring copies of their resume and dress for success. FMI go to the Expo website at www.HartfordAthletic.com/expo.

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.

For more information, please visit lvgh.org or call 860-233-3853.

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brianna.johnson@ghymca.org



LEGAL NOTICE

INVITATION TO BID FOR SOLAR PANELS

YWCA HARTFORD REGION is seeking bids from qualified contractors to install new solar panels and connections on the existing flat roof of the two-story office building at 135 Broad Street, Hartford, CT. An optional pre-bid meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 16, 2026, at 10:00 AM at YWCA Hartford Region. All bids must be received by Wednesday, September 30, 2026, at 12:00 PM local time.

Bid documents are available at CT-Source <https://portal.ct.gov/das/ctsource/bidboard>. This contract is subject to state set-aside and contract compliance requirements. An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer. Disadvantaged, minority, small and women-owned enterprises are strongly encouraged to apply.

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DESDE LA ESQUINA

by Carmen Maldonado

Celebrando el día del Trabajo

Ahora sí, se nos acabó el verano.

Llega septiembre y con él uno de esos fines de semana largos que muchos esperamos para tomarnos un pequeño respiro antes de despedir oficialmente el verano; "Labor Day Weekend"

Llega este fin de semana y uno piensa que por fin tendrá tiempo para descansar. Hasta lo decimos con toda la seguridad del mundo; "Este fin de semana no voy a hacer absolutamente nada".

Sí, claro. Dicho, pero nunca hecho.

Porque llega el sábado y, de momento, hay ropa que lavar, una compra que hacer, la casa necesita una limpieza "bien rapidita" que termina tomando tres horas y luego aparece alguna diligencia que llevamos posponiendo desde quién sabe cuándo

Cuando venimos a ver, es domingo por la noche y uno se pregunta; "¿Y no que yo iba a descansar?"

Y si se hace invento de BBQ, ni se diga. Porque alguien tiene que comprar, cocinar, preparar, servir y después recoger. Al parecer, el descanso empieza después de fregar.

Pero entre todo ese corre y corre, el día del Trabajo también nos da una buena oportunidad para recordar por qué tenemos este día.

El Día del Trabajo, se celebra en Estados Unidos el primer lunes de septiembre como una manera de reconocer las contribuciones y los logros de los trabajadores. Sus raíces están vinculadas al movimiento laboral y a generaciones de personas que lucharon por mejores condiciones de trabajo, salarios y horarios más justos.

Vivimos en un constante corre y corre. Trabajamos, cuidamos a nuestras familias, hacemos compra, cocinamos, limpiamos, pagamos cuentas, contestamos mensajes y tratamos de acordarnos de veinte cosas a la misma vez.

Hay quienes trabajan largas horas o más de un empleo y después llegan a casa a comenzar un segundo turno con la familia. Estamos tan acostumbrados a mantenernos ocupados que, a veces, hasta sentimos culpa cuando nos sentamos sin estar "haciendo algo productivo".

Pero descansar también es necesario.

No todo día libre tiene que convertirse en el momento perfecto para limpiar la casa completa, organizar el clóset y resolver todas esas diligencias pendientes desde marzo. Créeme, algunas cosas pueden esperar.

Así que este fin de semana celebra este fin de semana con un buen descanso, además del BBQ, las reuniones familiares y cualquier otro plan que tengamos, tratemos de sacar, aunque sea un ratito para verdaderamente relajarnos.

Siéntate afuera. Mira una película. Lee un libro. Comparte con la familia. Tómate una siesta sin poner alarma. O simplemente disfruta ese cafecito mientras todavía está caliente, que eso de por sí ya es tremendo lujo.

Porque el martes va a llegar rapidito con sus alarmas, emails, tapones, citas y el inevitable: "¿Qué vamos a hacer de cena hoy?"

Las responsabilidades van a seguir.

Así que, aunque sea por un ratito, déjalas esperando. Después de todo, si hay un fin de semana para darnos permiso de descansar del trabajo, este debería ser uno de ellos.

Eventos próximos que no te debes perder:

Vuelve el Festival Latino de East Hartford el 12 de sept de 2026. No te lo puedes perder, estará comenzando desde las 12:00pm hasta las 5:00pm con food trucks, música, y mucho más. No te lo pierdas. Esto será en el Great River Park (301 East River Drive)

No te puedes perder la feria de empleo que se estará 16 de sept. de 2026. La misma será organizada por el Departamento del Trabajo de Connecticut, de 10:00am a 2:00pm en el Trinity Health Stadium en Hartford.

Conecta conmigo: cmaldonado8816@gmail.com

Gaza and Iran Peace Rally Saturday

A "Gaza and Iran Peace Rally" has been organized for this Saturday, Sept. 5 from 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. at 615 Silver Lane just before the UConn Football game here.

According to organizers, protesters will park at Aldi (purchase of something as a courtesy is encouraged) as well as along "the residential street from the East Gate intersection we are rallying Simmons Road, the street perpendicular to Silver Lane at the East Gate."

East Hartford police, however, do not allow parking on the side of Simmons Road.

Stated the announcement; "Join a peaceful exercise of

democratic rights! Bring your own signs, posters, flags, keffiyehs, pots & pans, (pita) bread, and hand out literature to interested parties about Gaza, Palestine, Iran, and Al Aqsa. Oppose Israel's and Trump's MASS STARVATION and GENOCIDE of GAZA! Remember the Minab, Iran 168!

Protect the AL AQSA MOSQUE!"

The protest is being sponsored by Veterans for Peace (42 of CT), World Beyond War, UConn Graduate MSA.

For more information e-mail the organizers at info@palestineCT.com or signal [@palestineCT.01](https://www.instagram.com/palestineCT.01).

Secretary of State at Library Sept. 9

Secretary of State Stephanie Thomas will be at the Raymond Library Sept. 9 at 3 p.m. to talk about the state's new election laws. She will be in meeting room 1 on the lower level. Thomas will discuss election

law changes, "offer election reassurance amid misinformation," and talk about accommodation for seniors and people with disabilities. Registration not required. Raymond Library is at 840 Main St.

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SPEAKING OUT!, LETTERS

Scouting builds character, leadership, and service in our community

By Amanda Phillips

PACK 61 COMMITTEE CHAIR, TROOP 1
ASSISTANT SCOUTMASTER

Scouting is about much more than camping, badges and tying knots. For children and young people in East Hartford, Cub Scout Pack 61 and Troop 1 provide opportunities to build confidence, develop leadership skills, serve their neighbors and become active members of their community.

Both organizations welcome boys and girls and focus on teamwork, responsibility, service and learning through hands-on experiences.

Cub Scout Pack 61: Learning by Doing

Cub Scout Pack 61 meets weekly on Wednesday evenings, beginning September 16, 2026, at South Congregational Church. Scouts work toward appropriate age requirements through games, challenges, outdoor activities and hands-on experiences.

The Pack visits Camp Neip-sic twice each year, giving Scouts opportunities to experience camping, develop independence and confidence, and build friendships with fellow Scouts and their families. These experiences help younger Scouts learn to solve problems, work as a team, take responsibility and try things outside their comfort zone.

Troop 1: Developing Leaders Through Service

Beginning in 6th grade, Scouts can continue their journey with Scouting America's Troop 1. The Troop meets Monday evening from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at First Congregational Church of East Hartford, with a focus on rank advancement, leadership, personal growth and community service.

Scouts are encouraged to take responsibility, lead activi-



FUTURE LEADERS - Experiencing and appreciating the outdoors is a core value of Scouting.

ties and help teach younger Scouts. Service is also a key part of the program. Each year, Troop 1 hosts its Spaghetti Supper during the Town's Holiday Fest, working together to support East Hartford food banks.

Camping provides another important opportunity for growth. Troop 1 camps approximately once a month and attends a week of overnight summer camp. Scouts learn to plan, prepare, cooperate and adapt while developing outdoor skills and confidence. Older Scouts also have opportunities to lead and mentor younger Scouts.

Why Scouting Matters

The benefits of Scouting extend beyond the individual Scout. Through Pack 61 and Troop 1, young people connect with other families, community organizations and local causes.

KEY EAST HARTFORD SCOUTING DATES:

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 14 - 7:00 pm First Congregational Church 837 Main St, East Hartford, CT 06108 - Troop 1 Invites 6th Grade kids and up on September 14th starting at 7:00 pm to learn about our organization and receive information on joining the Troop. Boys and Girls welcome to join.

WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 16 - 6:30 pm South Congregational Church 1301 Forbes St, East Hartford, CT 06118 Cub Scout Pack 61 Invites Elementary aged kids (K-5th Grade) to join us and learn about our organization and sign up to join!

They learn that being part of a community means contributing to it.

Whether collecting food for a food bank, helping with the Holiday Fest Spaghetti Supper, assisting another Scout or taking responsibility for a camping activity, Scouts learn that their time, effort and skills can make a difference. For families, Scouting also provides a place for children to put down their screens, spend time outdoors, make friends and learn practical skills while being supported by caring adults.

An Invitation to East Hartford Families

Pack 61 and Troop 1 serve different age groups but share a common goal: helping young people become capable, confident and responsible members of their community.

Cub Scout Pack 61 invites

children in Kindergarten through 5th grade to join us September 16 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at South Congregational Church, 1301 Forbes St., East Hartford, to learn more and sign up.

Troop 1 invites 6th graders and older to learn more about the Troop on September 14 at 7 p.m. at First Congregational Church of East Hartford.

Both organizations welcome boys and girls, and parents are also encouraged to volunteer as leaders.

For today's children, opportunities to lead, serve, explore the outdoors and work together are more important than ever.

Through Pack 61 and Troop 1, East Hartford's young people have a place to do all of those things—and help make their community stronger along the way.

LETTERS POLICY

The Gazette welcomes letters on subjects of interest to our readers.

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Did You Know Photographer Moe – Not the Newspaper?

Did you know that most of the time it is no-buddies who make the somebody? History is filled with the exploits of the famous, but normally it's the little person who actually deserves credit for achieving success.

Throughout time are examples of how various unknown personalities change the way we view history and its results. Think of the teachers you had, or the bus driver who delivered you safely to school or work, not just once but many times. What about doctors and nurses who treated you, do they have a plaque? Do they have a bridge named for them?

Generally, no-buddies are overlooked when writing history. How many knew East Hartford's Owen Jones, until we discovered he perfected the ball-

cock making the flush toilet possible – But we remember John Crapper who had nothing to do with perfecting the toilet.

Another good example would be East Hartford's Gustava Moe. The name is not a standard household phrase; the deeds he did do not fill the history books. But he is a crucial preserver of history, especially East Hartford history.

Moe was a respected member of the Chamber of Commerce in the 1900s. His mark in history is not what he did, but what he preserved. He was a photographer, and it appears he was one of the most employed photographers of his time.

This photographer was a main street mainstay and regular Gazette advertiser, throughout the early and mid-1900s.

DID YOU KNOW?

Looking back on our East Hartford

By Robert Kanehl

Moe maintained his studio at 1011 Main Street – Room 10, just around the corner from the Gazette.

Beyond contributing to the paper, like the photo of the Congregational Church's Blue Army club, he was a town institution. His photos were featured in the 1927 booklet commemorating dedication of East Hartford's

World War Memorial statue "Ready" on the Raymond Library lawn. He was also famous for school portraits of graduating seniors, as well as other school photos.

East Hartford was not the only one which benefited from the focus of Moe's excellent eye. Some of his work is preserved in Connecticut State Library archives. This work can be viewed on the state website. It includes his efforts at capturing the interior of the Miss Ellen E. Flagg House, also called the Dodd-Flagg House, located on Washington Street in Hartford.

The Dodd-Flagg residence was built in 1762. Moe photographed the interior in 1932. The most famous of the pictures is one of the parlor. There are views of the bedrooms, dining

room, and den. These shots can also be seen on the Historic New England website.

Besides being a businessman and resident of the town, the old Gazettes note these interesting facts about Moe. He was an active Chamber member, involved in their annual exhibit shows in the 1920s.

His daughter Carolyn was a sergeant in the Marines during World War Two. She had graduated from East Hartford High School and the University of Connecticut before the war. During the war she was a Control Tower operator.

I would love to have conferred with him about this article, and my own photos. But neither of his listed phone numbers Laurel 548 or Laurel 690-2 was answered.

SPEAKING OUT!, LETTERS

Include everyone in Congressional primary

To the editor:

In last week's *Gazette* (8/27) a Letter to the Editor discussed adjusting CT's congressional districts and the lack of representation for unaffiliated and independent voters.

Over 43% of East Hartford's registered voters are unaffiliated. Connecticut should join the majority of US states which have some form of open primary, allowing our significant unaffiliated population to have a voice and make the system more democratic. That is just a first step to improving the civic system that is meant to support We the People, not executive boardrooms and party bosses.

First, eliminate gerrymandering. Gerrymandering is the intentional skewing of political districts to allow the party in power to keep more legislative

seats. Gerrymandering decreases the number of competitive elections and leads to illusions like 'my vote does not matter.' Let Connecticut join the nine states who are already re-districted by independent commissions and work towards a national standard of fair and free elections.

Second, Connecticut should join Maine and Nebraska in the Congressional District Method for electing the President. This splits Electoral College votes to have two at-large votes for the state's winner and an additional vote for each congressional district's winner. This is the alternative to winner-takes-all and makes every individual's vote count more, without a Constitutional Amendment. This is a simple step in the right direction.

Finally, term limits. Congress needs term limits. So does the Governor of Connecticut. Although there is much debate over specifics, term limits make our leaders more accountable to us and keeps them in touch with us as constituents.

There are many problems that face our town, state, and country that need focused solutions. However, it is easy to get caught up in debates over which solution is best instead of taking actual steps to make things better. Because of this discourse, I believe the best step forward is to make our government and institutions more democratic, representative, and accountable, resulting in a government that is an effective vessel of real positive change.

Jacob O'Reilly
East Hartford

Davis qualifies for CEP campaign funding

Republican Salema Davis, who is seeking the state representative seat in the 11th Assembly District now held by Patrick Biggins, qualified for state funding to conduct her campaign for the district which includes parts of East Hartford, Manchester and South Windsor.

The State Elections Enforcement Commission (the "Commission") voted at its Sept. 2 regular meeting to approve public grant payments under the Citizens' Election Program ("CEP") for Davis and other can-

didates in the Nov. 3 general election. CEP is a voluntary public financing program designed to help candidates for the General Assembly and statewide Constitutional offices run competitive campaigns without relying on large private contributors.

To participate, candidates must demonstrate that they have substantial local support from the public by raising small-dollar contributions from individuals. Candidates for state representative accomplish this

by raising \$6,700 in contributions from individuals, with at least 150 coming from individuals residing in municipalities in their districts.

Candidates for state senate must raise \$20,100 in contributions from individuals, with at least 300 coming from individuals residing in municipalities in their districts.

Awards from CEP are:
For state representative candidates, up to \$38,575; and
For state senate candidates, up to \$131,155.

All welcome to bike event along the Cheney Rail Trail

To the Editor:

UR Community Cares is proud to partner with the Alzheimer's Association Connecticut Chapter to present Memory in Motion, a unique community bike and walk event celebrating accessibility, inclusion, healthy living, and the power of creating meaningful memories together.

The event will take place on Saturday, October 3 from 9 a.m. to noon along the Cheney Rail Trail in Manchester.

Participants are encouraged to park at Center Springs Park, Little Theater of Manchester or VAZ House Cafe and enjoy a 1 to 3 mile walk or bike ride, choosing a distance that best fits their abilities and comfort level.

Memory in Motion is designed to bring together individuals and families of all ages and abilities for a morning filled with movement, connection, nostalgia, and new experiences. Whether participants are lifelong cyclists, casual walkers, caregivers, or simply looking for a fun community event, everyone is welcome.

The event will feature:
Community organizations and nonprofit resource tables

Local business vendors and exhibits

Health and wellness information

Giveaways and a silent auction

Family-friendly activities

Live music and entertainment

Local artists and cultural performances

Accessible cycling experiences through Cycling Without Age Manchester

The celebration will also recognize the opening of VAZ House Cafe, located along the Cheney Rail Trail, and encourage participants to visit and support this new local business.

This event demonstrates how recreation, community partnerships, and inclusive design can bring people together. By creating welcoming opportunities for everyone to participate, we're building a stronger, healthier, and more compassionate community.

The event is free and open to the public. Residents from all communities are encouraged to attend. The community will benefit from all of us coming together.

Michelle Puzzo
Executive Director
UR Community Cares

For additional information about participating, sponsoring, volunteering, or becoming a community partner, contact: UR Community Cares, 5 Jamie Lane, Unit C, Manchester, CT 06042

Phone: 860-430-4557

Email: info@urcommunity-cares.org

Website: www.URCommunityCares.org

ARTS & EVENTS

138th Grange Fair is Sept. 12

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 be-

tween 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. 2026 program guide is posted at www.HillstownGrange.org.

Hillstown Grange is the only local agricultural fair in the

area for entries in the Connecticut 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.

AT THE EAST HARTFORD SENIOR CENTER
15 MILBROOK DRIVE

Tuesday September 8th from 4 to 5:30 pm

SarahCare - Adult Day Care

Helena Kireyeva from SarahCare, Adult Day Care Services, will be here to share information, answer questions and help individuals and families better understand the resources and support that may be available to them. Stop by their table in the lobby and check it out.

Wednesday September 16th at 12 pm

Hispanic Heritage Lunch & Silver City Singers

Join us for a special lunch to celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month. After lunch Join the Silver City Singers of EH as they perform hit songs of the Swinging Early 60's. Free Candy & Pizza Raffle. Come and enjoy the show! Menu: Bistec Encebollado/Steak with onions, Arroz Blanco y habichuelas/White Rice and Beans and dessert. Lemon ice-tea and Water will be available. Tickets are \$3.00 and must be purchased at the Senior Center. Seating is limited.

Saturday September 19th 9 am to 12 pm

East Hartford Senior Center 5th Anniversary Party!

This is an Intergenerational Program. Bring your kids, grandkids and great-grandkids. Join us for a day of fun activities to celebrate our 5th Anniversary! There will be a Grab and Go breakfast from 9 am to 10 am. Animal Petting zoo, Arts and Crafts, Face Painting, Balloon Twisting, Henna Tattoos, Photo Booth, ice cream, popcorn.

Order your Fall Mums!



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Society

Discussions on Death & Dying

Raymond Library will host two programs aimed at demystifying death and dying.

On Wednesday, **September 9th** at 5:30 pm, "Your Life Your Legacy: A Plan To Make it Right", presented by A.J. Albuquerque, Family Service Counselor from D'Esopo Funeral Chapel.

While we often plan for major life milestones like weddings, our children's education, and retirement, many of us overlook the importance of preparing for the inevitable. Join us for a thoughtful, interactive presentation that will demystify the funeral industry and clarify the planning process. We'll explore why it's crucial to have the conversation about final arrangements and the steps you can take to make informed decisions. Come with questions and ideas as we work to remove the grey areas and provide clear, actionable insights. Food and refreshments will be provided.

On Wednesday, **September**

23rd at 6:00 pm, join us for "Green Burial: A Journey Home" a 90-minute slide presentation by the Connecticut Death Collective. Learn about green burials and alternatives, and leave with knowledge on body dispositions, cost and information on CT hybrid cemeteries, and natural burial preserves in nearby states.

Over 60% of people choose fire cremation, 30% traditional caskets. Green burial is not a new practice, but the original practice dating back thousands of years.

There is a growing movement to get back to our roots, honor our ancestors, and make better choices with our planet in mind.

Both programs will take place in Meeting Room 1 on the lower level of the Raymond Library, 840 Main St.

Registration is encouraged for both programs. Register on the library's online calendar of events beginning September 1 or call 860-290-4331.

AT THE LIBRARY

WOMAN'S CLUB WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS



THE EAST HARTFORD WOMAN'S CLUB had their first meeting of the 2026-2027 year Tuesday, September 1, at St Christopher Church Hall. When the Yearbook for the new year was distributed there were six new members listed, five of whom were able to attend the meeting. Pictured from left to right are new members Margaret Antil, Lois Brookes, Veronica Rosario, Membership Co-Chair Ginny Alleano, Incoming President Eileen Driscoll, Membership Co-Chair Lauren Keegan, new members Maureen Chiapponi and Peggy Paradis.



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EAST HARTFORD SPORTS

Fagnano nests with the Ravens

Last week I assessed the odds against former UConn quarterback Joe Fagnano making the NFL season opening 53 man roster with the Baltimore Ravens, who signed him as an undrafted free agent. This week he beat them.

Traditionally, while the Ravens have placed at least one undrafted free agent on their 53 man roster in 22 of the last 23 seasons, they don't like to use a roster spot on a #3 quarterback. They haven't done so since 2020. They prefer to put the third signal caller on the practice squad where he can work with the team on a daily basis and be available for immediate call up. The monkey wrench in the works with Fag-

SCOTT GRAY on SPORTS

by Scott Gray



nano was his performance in the pre-season. If he was left off the Ravens roster he would be available to any other team on waivers from 6:00 Sunday night to 1:00 Monday afternoon.

Fagnano made it difficult for the Ravens to take that risk. In the preseason he led the NFL with 509 passing yards and a 74.7 completion percentage. This week the odds favored Fagnano being claimed by another team and added to their roster if the Ravens left him unprotected.

In the post-game press conference following Friday's 51-3 rout of the Commanders, completing a 3-0 preseason in which Fagnano saw substantial action in every game, head coach Jesse Minter called Fagnano consistent, saying, "He played a certain way in all three games. To his credit he put it on tape."

Minter said that Fagnano looked comfortable in the NFL environment.

"My goal was just to make the most of my opportunities", Fagnano said after Friday's game, "Control what I can and let the chips fall where they may. I can go to sleep tonight knowing I did everything I could."

The chips fell Fagnano's way. Though I pointed out last week that Ravens' tradition worked against him I did predict he would prove there's a place for him in the NFL. The Ravens made that same assessment and decided they'd much rather that place be Baltimore.

Speaking of former UConn quarterbacks, Dan Orlovsky has made himself an invaluable NFL analyst for ESPN. After a long NFL career Dan cut his broadcasting teeth as part of the WTIC-UConn football broadcast team. Today he's the only ESPN personality with the nerve to take down overrated, under informed blowhard Stephen A. Smith who thinks he who shouts loudest wins.

He's wrong. Ninety percent of the time Danny's right; Stephen A. is wrong.

The Travelers Championship came up big at the end of the PGA Tour season. In the end the Fed-Ex Cup championship came down to the two players who played a Monday morning sudden death in Cromwell back in June. That day Viktor Hovland nailed a birdie putt on the 18th green to beat world #1 Scottie Scheffler. Sunday in Atlanta it was Scottie's turn as he beat Hovland by three strokes to claim the Fed-Ex title and, in all likelihood, PGA "Player of the Year" honors.

Leave it to the Travelers to distinguish itself among the Tour events.

Huskies opener Saturday

The UConn Huskies open the 2026 season on Saturday afternoon taking on FCS opponent Lafayette of the Patriot League. The game kicks-off at 12:02 p.m. First-year head coach Jason Candle, the 33rd head coach in program history, starts his tenure here after 10 seasons at Toledo guiding the Rockets to 81 wins, the program's all-time winningest coach. In addition to a brand new coaching staff, UConn welcomed in 87 new players to the program in the offseason, 60 through the transfer portal. The Huskies return just one starter from last season's team, offensive lineman Ty Chan.

UConn is 16-6 in home openers in East Hartford, 14-9 in season-openers since their move to FBS.

UConn has played at least one Football Championship Subdivision (FCS) school in each season since moving up to Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) in 2002.

The 2026 campaign will mark the sixth season the Huskies will compete as an FBS Independent. This season will be particularly interesting for local fans as UConn will have three games with Power Four teams, all here off Silver Lane. The Huskies host Maryland from the Big Ten and Syracuse and North Carolina from the ACC. The Huskies face three teams from the Sun Belt Conference (Southern Miss, James Madison, Old Dominion), a pair of teams from the MAC (Miami (OH), UMass) and the Mountain West (Air Force, Wyoming) and a team from the American (Temple).

The Huskies have been playing 23 years at the 40,000-seat stadium at Rentschler Field. The stadium officially became known as Pratt & Whitney Stadium at Rentschler Field in 2015. UConn has an all-time record of 83-58 at the stadium with the biggest attendance record against Michigan with a crowd of 42,704.

SOCCER TEAM PREPARES



THE 2026 BOYS HORNETS SOCCER had a scrimmage win over Farmington at EHHS Monday, tuning up before league play begins next week.

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OBITUARIES

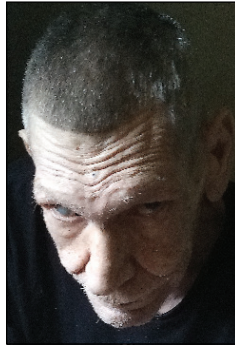
Dennis Laurie Cormier, 72

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

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.desopoe.com

Rabindranauth Ramdular

Rabindranauth "Ranji" Ramdular, 69, of East Hartford, loving husband of over 17 years to Julia Selormey, died peacefully on Friday, August 14, 2026 at St. Francis Hospital in Hartford. Born in Guyana, South America on October 30, 1956, a son of the late Bajranj and Sugpatti (Singh) Ramdular, he had been a resident of East Hartford for the past twenty years.

Ranji was employed for several years as a machine operator for DST Output in South Windsor (a commercial print and mail processing facility). A very talented individual, he enjoyed repairing and working on automobiles for his family and friends. He also liked watching soccer, television, listening to the news, and cooking.

Most of all, he was a hard worker who cherished his time spent with his family and close friends.

Along with his beloved wife, Ranji is survived by a brother,



Rabindranauth Ramdular

Asha Ramdular of Orlando, FL; a sister, Savitri Mahadeo of New York; a stepdaughter, Anthoinette Agvemang of East Hartford; and two stepsons, Julius Hediher of Ghana, and Benjamin Agvemang of Minnesota. He also leaves two brothers-in-law, Cornelius Selormey and Kilian Selormey both of

Ghana; two sisters-in-law, Emily Selormey and Florence Selormey both of Ghana; several nieces, nephews, cousins, former co-workers, and dear friends.

Funeral service celebrating Ranji's life will be Saturday (September 5th) at 11 am at the D'Esopo East Hartford Memorial Chapel, 30 Carter Street, East Hartford.

Relatives and friends may call at the funeral home chapel on Saturday morning from 10 - 11 am. Private burial will be held at the convenience of the family. For on-line expressions of sympathy to the family, please visit www.desopoe.com

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 Kaczmarczyk,

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.

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Noble Gas awaits Dunkin' - not ice cream

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be a necessary part of the Noble Gas station operation.

With the opening came rejoicing from the owner of Charlie's Pizza across the street. Reconfiguration of Governor Street was done to allow traffic to drive east along Governor from the other side of the highway ramps to Prospect. Two-way traffic was closed off 20 years ago by traffic engineers much to the dismay of Charlie's Pizza at the time, who protested that their customers would have difficulty reaching the nearby restaurant.

Charlie's Tammy Kourakos is thrilled the road has become a two-way street again. "Noble Gas has done a great job with the landscaping and it's a big improvement. That unsightly building and overgrown weeds are finally gone and we look forward to meeting the owners."

There will be an official grand opening of the gas station once a planned Dunkin' opens inside, said Cole Allen, manager. "hopefully that will be at the end of the month." There are 10 Noble Gas stations in Connecticut with the 11th opening in Orange off I-95 at exit 41.



Taking advantage of the free car washes this week.

They are owned by Abdul, of Syria, and Michael Frisbie.

The stations are bright and well-lit and geared to serve both the average driver as well as the trucking industry with accessories for trucks offered along with Verizon phones. Coming will be a charging station to accommodate electric vehicles said Sal Chwich. He added

Noble offers a loyalty program, and new customers can sign up by downloading the app from the app store.

A grand opening special will be 99 cent car washes for the first month. Since the "soft opening" Friday customers quickly discovered the sleek new car wash is being offered free of charge, something that will end this Friday.

The anticipated ice cream bar which was touted by town officials as a unique feature of the Noble Gas operation is absent. And while the Orange location will have all the bells and whistles of ice cream and a coffee shop, East Hartford will get a Dunkin' - the sixth Dunkin' franchise to open in this town of 51,000.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF
**MIRYAM BURBANK, AKA
MIRYAM AURORA BURBANK
(26-00308)**

The Hon. Richard P. Gentile, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of East Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated **August 31, 2026**, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Tobi Dolan, Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is:

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ICE active in East Hartford

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The governor is reiterating the rights that residents of Connecticut hold—regardless of their legal status—as well as the resources available to affected communities. The following information does not constitute legal advice and is provided for general informational purposes only:

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You have the right to refuse a search. Say: "I do not consent to a search." (An officer may still search anyway if they have legal authority to do so.)

You do not have to unlock your phone or give your password without a warrant.

You can't be detained without reasonable suspicion that you are unlawfully present or have committed a crime.

Record names, badge numbers, the time agents arrive and leave, and what areas they access. Keep copies of any warrants or documents that are presented and take notes, photographs, or video of the interaction. You have the right to record police or federal agents in public, as long as you don't interfere with what they're doing.

If you're asked about immigration status - You generally have the right to stay silent about your immigration or citizenship status, but you should know this could lead to a longer detention if you are undocumented. Never lie about your citizenship or use false documents. If you're stopped in your car - Pull over, roll down your windows, put your hands on the wheel, and show license, registration, and insurance if asked. If asked to search the car, say: "I do not consent to a search." Officers may still search without your consent if they believe there's evidence of a crime or a safety issue.

If officials come to your home or workplace - You don't have to let them in unless they have a judicial warrant signed by a judge or magistrate that authorizes law enforcement actions based on probable cause.

Even if they have a valid warrant, you can still choose to remain silent. If you are arrested or detained - Say clearly: "I want to remain silent" and "I want to speak with a lawyer." Then stop answering questions.

Don't sign anything you don't understand or without your lawyer present. If held by immigration, you have the right to contact your consulate.

Consider creating a Family Preparedness Plan if you are worried about what will happen to your children if you are detained or deported. If a loved one is detained, contact your local rapid response team.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF
**EDWARD M. GONDEK
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The fiduciary is:

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF
**JOHN PATRICK MURPHY
(26-00336)**

The Hon. Richard P. Gentile, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of East Hartford Probate Court, by decree dated **September 1, 2026**, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

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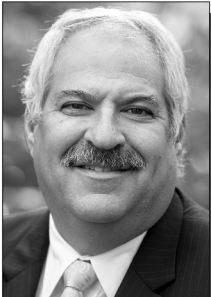
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BY CORINNE HORAN

AUGUST EVENTS AT THE WORLD WAR II LEGACY FOUNDATION MUSEUM, 102 Pitkin St., will be open from 1-6 p.m. this weekend.

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 Wickham-dayquilters@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 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: PRATT & WHITNEY AND UTRC RETIREES meeting, 9:30 a.m. for coffee and doughnuts. Chris Marolda on guitar. FMI 860-565-6236.

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 reserve 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

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SEPT. 16: UOFH COLLEGE OF LIFELONG LEARNING Get-to-Know-Us Fall Kickoff Wednesday, 4:30-6 p.m. There'll be 30 minutes of wine and munchies, then an hour of Director Michele Troy on stage doing mini-interviews with 6-8 of the instructors in fall programs. No charge but you do need to register.

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!

SEPT. 26: BOLTON CHURCH CRAFT AND HARVEST FAIR at St. George's Episcopal Church, 1150 Boston Turnpike, Route 44, Bolton. 50th Annual, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on church lawn. Craft items include knitted and crochet, quilts, wood crafts, Home Decor, Notebooks, Florals, Handbags & Tote bags and our Book Nook. In addition to a luncheon, there will be a

home-baked goods table, including a large selection of delicious desserts. St. George's delicious home-made Apple Pies and homemade baked beans will be offered. FMI call 860-643-9203 or visit www.facebook.com/StGeorgesBoltonCT.

SEPT. 26: TOGETHER WE RUN FOR EDUCATION 5K ROAD RACE AND 1.5-MILE WALK, hosted by the East Hartford Alumni Association & Education Foundation in partnership with DT Cares and East Hartford Public Schools. Race registration opens at 9 a.m., with the 5K and walk beginning at 10. The broader community wellness event continues until 2. Participants can choose between a 5K route throughout the East Hartford High School campus or a 1.5-mile walk on the school track, creating an accessible opportunity for experienced runners, first-time participants, students, families and community members to participate together. To register for the walk go to www.dtcare.org/events/together-we-walk-run-for-education

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

OCT 3: MEMORY IN MOTION bike ride hosted by UR Community Cares, 9 a.m. to noon along the Cheney Rail Trail in Manchester. Participants are encouraged to park at Center Springs Park, Little Theater of Manchester or Vaz House Cafe and enjoy a 1 to 3 mile walk or bike ride, choosing a distance that best fits their abilities and comfort level. Memory in Motion is designed to bring together individuals and families of all ages and abilities for a morning filled with movement, connection, nostalgia, and new experiences. Whether participants are lifelong cyclists, casual walkers, caregivers, or simply looking for a fun community event, everyone is welcome.

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 through October. Volunteers share the history behind the design and construction of the monument, along with the meaning behind its symbolic carvings and statuary. 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.