Roodner Court gets a Little Greener

Roodner Court got an upgrade this September as the Learning Center children got their hands dirty. They participated in a tree planting event, along side Commissioner Ramirez, and got a closeup look at how and why trees are planted. The kids were chaperoned by STEM Coordinator, Sheiere Powell who believes it was an invaluable lesson for her students. They learned about types of soil that trees need to grow big and strong in order to provide oxygen and shade - which reduces the use of electricity for fans and air conditioners, making us more energy efficient in hot weather.

This tree planting was made possible thanks to a grant from TD Green Streets. And we would like to personally thank TD for their contribution to our growing community.

Job Corps Now Accepting Applications

With over 100 Career Technical Trainings to choose from, students who enroll in Job Corps can earn a high school diploma or GED, learn a trade, take college level courses, prepare for higher education and gain the practical skills they need to succeed in the workplace.

Job Corps is ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for enrollment at ALL of the Job Corps centers located in the New England region.

Weekly orientations are held twice a week on: Tuesdays at 1:00 PM and Wednesdays at 3:00 PM
1067 Park Avenue
Bridgeport, CT 06604

For more information:
Call: Robert Velez, Jr. at (203) 549-1502 or Email: velez.robert@jobcorps.gov

Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities. TDD/TTY telephone number is (877) 889-5627.
Mobile Medical Unit

The Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) is Norwalk Community Health Center’s (NCHC) medical unit on wheels. It provides access to quality health care for men, women and children (age 3 and up) who might otherwise go without. The MMU is staffed by a team of experienced health care professionals, with all of the resources of NCHC and available to MMU patients.

The Norwalk Community Health Center Mobile Medical Unit makes regular visits to Roodner Court every Tuesday.

New Mobile Medial Unit patients will need to register. You can call in advance or stop by the Mobile Medical Unit for forms to complete.

Mobile Medical Unit Health and Services include:

- Treatment of injury and illness for adults and children age 3 and up
- Chronic disease management such as diabetes, hypertension, emphysema etc.
- Physical examinations and checkups
- Gynecological care
- Preventive care and cancer screenings
- Immunizations and flu vaccinations
- Dental care
- Counseling, addiction treatment and individual therapy, as well as other behavior health referrals.
- Care coordination and case management
- Prescriptions and bloodwork

For further information on appointments/eligibility, please call 203-899-1770 x8050 or 203-810-9287.

Money Matters: Making your money work for you

Customize and maintain a budget that works for you. Prepare a personal spending plan and identify ways to decrease spending while increasing income. The Connecticut Association for Human Services / CT Money School will be presenting this financial session that you won’t want to miss. Join us on Wednesday, October 24 at 5:30 p.m. at NHA CNI Field Office (149 Water Street, 2nd flr.)

To register or for more information, contact 203-838-8471, X681 Nadine or X180 Jamie.

Spooky Truths Regarding Halloween Safety On and Off the Road

Kids love the magic of Halloween: Trick-or-treating, classroom parties and trips to a neighborhood haunted house. But for moms and dads, often there is a fine line between Halloween fun and safety concerns, especially when it comes to road and pedestrian safety. To help ensure adults and children have a safe holiday, the American Academy of Pediatrics has compiled a list of Halloween Safety Tips, including do’s and don’ts:

- A responsible adult should accompany young children on the neighborhood rounds
- If your older children are going alone, plan and review a route acceptable to you
- Agree on a specific time children should return home
- Teach your children to never enter a stranger’s home or car
- Instruct children to travel only in familiar, well-lit areas and stick with their friends
- Tell your children not to eat any treats until they return home
- All costumes, wigs and accessories should be fire-resistant
- Avoid masks, which can obstruct vision
- If children are allowed out after dark, fasten reflective tape to their costumes and bags, or give them glow sticks
- When buying Halloween makeup, make sure it is nontoxic and always test it in a small area first
- Remove all makeup before children go to bed to prevent skin and eye irritation

Children and adults are reminded to put electronic devices down, keep heads up and walk, don’t run, across the street.

Prepping for an exciting presentation at 203 Water Street (149 Water Street, 2nd flr.)

A Dress For Success representative will share advice and techniques on how to present your best image on the job and how to let your clothes speak for you.

To register, or for more information, contact Lisa T. at 203-952-8308, or Nadine at 203-838-8471 X681

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2018 Small Business Development Academy

Learn how to start and sustain your own business with this FREE 7-SESSION PROGRAM, addressing topics essential to running a successful business – presented by experienced professionals.

All sessions will be at 6PM – 8PM Tuesdays starting October 2nd, at the Norwalk Inn and Conference Center, 99 East Avenue. To enroll in this FREE informative program, register at:

http://www.norwalkchamberofcommerce.com/events and click on “2018 Small Business Academy”

For more information, contact the Greater Norwalk Chamber of Commerce, 203-866-2521, or email info@norwalkchamberofcommerce.com

Dress For Success – Free New Clothes for Your Professional Life

Could your work wardrobe use an upgrade? Are you interested in new, stylish attire for interviewing and your work week? Would new accessories and style statements take your look from ho-hum to fabulous?

If so, join us on Tuesday, October 9 at 5:30 p.m. at NHA CNI Field Office (149 Water Street, 2nd flr.) for an exciting presentation about Dress For Success.

Dress For Success has been helping women transform their professional lives for many years through FREE employment services, including providing wardrobes for interviews and work days. Wardrobes include accessories, shoes and handbags as well as flattering suits and dresses.

A Dress For Success representative will share advice and techniques on how to present your best image on the job and how to let your clothes speak for you.

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Want to Land a New Career?

Get started today and become OSHA certified! All construction jobs require workers to have their OSHA 10 certification (10 hours of safety training). Norwalk residents may qualify for free training (Some restrictions apply).

All classes will be held at Smilow Life Center, 55 Chestnut Street, Norwalk CT.

OSHA 10 Class Schedule: Wednesday & Thursday Oct. 17-18, 9AM-2PM

On-time attendance is required at both sessions.*

OSHA 30 is beneficial for all construction personnel and is designed specifically for supervisors and workers with some safety responsibilities (30 hours of training).

OSHA 30 Class Schedule: Monday-Thursday (4 days) October 8 -11, 8:30AM – 5PM

On-time attendance is required at all four sessions.*

Call us and reserve your spot today! 203-838-8471 X681(Nadine) or X188(Lisa R.)

PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED

2018 Hiring Connecticut JOB FAIR

Presented by MONSTER

Thursday, October 11, 2018

General Public: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Housatonic Community College

900 Lafayette Blvd, Bridgeport, CT 06604

COME TO THE CAREER FAIR

Local employers are looking for qualified candidates. Bring enough resumes with you and dress to impress!

2018 Hiring Connecticut JOB FAIR

Presented by MONSTER

Tuesday, October 23rd

10:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Marriott Trumbull, 180 Hawley Lane

Trumbull, CT 06611

Employers throughout Connecticut from all industries are looking for hires.

No advanced registration necessary!
Early College Edge Program for 9th and 10th Graders

NHA’s Early College Edge Program got off to a great start in September! Students identified their individual personality type through the True Colors assessment. This assessment is designed to help individuals understand their unique learning styles. The Students used their assessment results to identify the strengths and challenges of their core personality types, and practiced appropriate communication techniques in anticipated and unexpected situations.

Our next session is Wednesday, October 3rd from 6:30pm-8pm at 20 West Ave.

Students will:

- explore the structure and scoring of the PSAT 8/9
- identify college readiness benchmarks
- apply general test taking strategies

The program is open to NHA residents in the 9th and 10th grades.*

Call 203.852.1144 for more information, and to request transportation to and from the program.

Attention Norwalk Housing parents with children in preschool - grade 3. Raising Readers Parent Club is back!

Don’t miss out on this opportunity to learn new ways to help your child become a motivated, successful reader!

Receive a free, high-quality children’s book at every session!

7:00pm-8:00pm

Dates: Thursdays - October 11, 18, 25, November 1, 8

Location: King Kennedy Literacy Center
(43 Chestnut Street)

Facilitator: Josiane Charlot

***dinner and childcare provided***

*Spanish and Creole speaking families are welcome.

Transformation will be provided.

If you have questions or would like to

*REGISTER, call 203.644.4720 or email jcharlot@norwalkha.org

Getting Your Reluctant Reader Reading

Does your child play outside all day instead of reading a book? Do you have to beg your child to sit down and read a book for school or fun? It’s hard to know how to react when your child hates reading, and even harder to figure out how to motivate children to read. A reluctant reader must have books of high interest. Parents should survey what interests and makes their child happy. Understanding what interests your child will help you find the right types of texts your child may enjoy reading. Chances are most parents have heard of Fortnite. Our kids love this game! Did you know that Fortnite has reading books too? Fortnite offers a range of books for children of all ages, for example story books, Graphic novels, and guide books on how to be a winner. Fortnite is the “New Thing” so let’s not only play the game lets read about the game too!

Fire Safety Week, October 7–13

In conjunction with the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) and our local fire department, the Art Department of the NHA Learning Centers is conducting a fire prevention poster contest. There will be 1st, 2nd and 3rd place award winners in each of the following groups: K-2, 3-5 and 6-12. Meadow Gardens has already started to brainstorm the theme: “Look. Listen. Learn. Be aware. Fire can happen anywhere.” Students are asked to speak with the adults at home about their own family safety plan. They should know how to spot a fire hazard; how to respond to a smoke alarm; safe ways to leave a room and a safe location outside the home for the family to gather in the event of a fire.

Andrew works hard on his fire prevention poster at Meadow Gardens Learning Center.