



Happy Summer!



2011 West Hartford Teacher of the Year

The 2011 West Hartford Teacher of the Year is Joyce St. Germaine, Bristow Middle School art teacher. Joyce decided at the age of seven that she would become an art teacher and that has been a goal that has focused her life. She is passionate about art and about teaching. She is continually learning new techniques, methods, strategies and knowledge to share with her students, colleagues and families.

She has taught for 36 years and began her career at the elementary school level and taught at seven of the West Hartford elementary schools. Then she changed to the middle school level and taught at King Phillip. For the past five years she has been teaching at Bristow.

In her classes Joyce covers the curriculum for sixth, seventh and eighth grades. She encourages literacy as her students research information and write about their artwork. She encourages older students to come into her classroom to help younger students and to serve as a role model.

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Joyce St. Germaine is shown here after she received the 2011 West Hartford Teacher of the Year Award.



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Workshops

The West Hartford Education Association (WHEA) will be planning for next year's workshops and social events. See you in September with details of upcoming events. Enjoy the summer! Relax, rejuvenate and rest!



'WHEA World' Purpose

The WHEA has been working for the advancement of West Hartford's public school teachers, children and schools since 1928.

The purpose of our 'WHEA World' newsletter is to keep members informed about the latest news and achievements of our colleagues.

Please pass along news, awards and achievements about you and your colleagues so that we can publish the information in upcoming newsletters. Please send the 'News Form' to the PR chair at wheaooffice@gmail.com. The form can be found on the last page of this edition.

Let's share our wonderful accomplishments with our colleagues!

Travel

By Joyce Bogdan

Look towards vacation
With anticipation,
No road to follow.
Create your path.
See uncharted places,
People, sights.

WHEA News

Your Representatives

The following are building representatives and alternates for 2010-2011.

Rep. Council Chair: Jasdeep Singh, Sedgwick **Vice Chair:** David Simon, Sedgwick

CEA UniServ Representative: Sara Pomponi

Building Reps.: **Aiken**—Pat Vaninwagen; **Braeburn**—Kimberly Maloney; **Bristow**—Greg Burns, Marcelo Pelliccioni; **Bugbee**—Anthony Weber; **Charter Oak**—MaryAnn Muccino, Lillian Rausch; **Conard**—Carol Chase, Kim Hoffman, Chris Islaub, Sam Rader, Adam Linker; **Duffy**—Sheila Levanti, Jen Prigodich; **Ed. Center**—Christine Newman; **Hall**—Gay Adams, Tom Devine, Donna Fernandes, Michelle Nicklas; **King Philip**—Kate Kiesewetter, Jenn Ukanowicz-Parrett; **Morley**—Tony Wilusz, Megan Wares; **Norfeldt**—Wendy Baker, Mary Sheridan; **Retired**—Helen Hughlett; **Sedgwick**—Linda Gengel, David Simon, Jennifer Tauro, Joyce Bogdan; **Smith**—Sharon Courneen, Jane Macca; **Webster Hill**—Debbie Kotler, Kerri-Lynn O'Neill; **Whiting Lane**—Wendy Martin, Patricia Orticari; **Wolcott**—Bonny Butkiewicz.

Alternate Reps.: **Aiken**—Lisa Horan; **Bristow**—Allayne Sundt, Sandi Harss; **Bugbee**—Maria Bateas; **Charter Oak**—Michele Hadlock; **Duffy**—Brenda Key, Clare Taylor; **Norfeldt**—Trudy Davis; **Retired**—Anna Mae Maglaty; **Sedgwick**—Sara Tamborello.

Contract Negotiations

The 2010 WHEA Negotiation Team worked hard on our new contract which will go into effect July 1, 2011. The members of the negotiating team were Margo Parenti, David Dippolino, Theresa McKeown, Jasdeep Singh, Tom Devine, Mary Sheridan, Kim Hoffman, Tony Wilusz, and Greg Burns. Thank you for all of your hard work!

WHEA Rep. Council Meetings

The WHEA Representative Council meets monthly to discuss issues of importance for our teachers and schools. The meetings are attended by the elected Representative Council members and alternates from each school and are open to our membership. Most meetings are held at Conard High in room 169 from 4 P.M. until 5 P.M. See you in September!

WHEA News cont.**Teacher of the Year cont.**

Joyce has always been active with the community. At Bristow she offers a weekly Art Club for students and holds a monthly *Family Art Night* for parents, grandparents, siblings and other community members to come together to participate in evening art activities. She created an indoor garden area with a fountain that her students tend. Students assist with the painting of murals to beautify their school. They also reach out into the community by building/decorating bird-houses and making cards to give to area retirement homes. Some projects Joyce collaborated with colleagues. She is also the Student Council co-advisor and the Dance Team coach. She has won awards and grants for her work.

Joyce said about the experience, "I am deeply honored and humbled by this award but also very aware that this is not my award, it is everyone's. Every staff member, teacher, administrator, custodial, cafeteria, and office staff shares this award. We are all here because we love children and all are dedicated to providing the best experience we can for the children of West Hartford. There is not a single one of us who could do this alone and I am grateful to be making this journey in the best of company."

We are privileged in West Hartford to have such a talented and inspiring teacher. Congratulations to Joyce St. Germaine *2011 Teacher of the Year!*

See my article online at The Patch:

<http://westhartford.patch.com/announcements/joyce-st-germaine-named-2011-west-hartford-teacher-of-the-year>

2011 Annual WHEA/WHAA Recognition Dinner

The fifty-first Annual WHEA/WHAA Recognition Dinner was held on Thursday, May 26, 2011 at the Farmington Club, Farmington, CT. The dinner recognizes retirees, the Citizen of the Year, the Member of the Year and the Teacher of the Year. The Greetings were presented by David Dippolino, President of the West Hartford Education Association (WHEA); Donna Nesler-Rusack, Vice President of West Hartford Administrators' Association (WHAA); Kenneth Sopelak, President of West Hartford Retired Educators' Association (WHREA); Clare Kindall, Chairman of the West Hartford Board of Education; and Dr. Karen List, Superintendent of the West Hartford Public Schools. Many colleagues with their family and friends were there to celebrate.

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WHEA/WHAA Recognition Dinner cont.

The honored retirees were John Bennett, Sedgwick music teacher; Martha Calef, King Philip science teacher; John Edmonds, Hall special education teacher; Thomas Hine, Sedgwick English teacher; Richard Joseph, Hall science teacher; Marilyn Krentzman, Aiken and Hall music teacher; Joseph Mancini, Hall physical education teacher; Kerry Meehan, Bristow, Hall and King Philip English Department Supervisor and Laurel Mills, Aiken Curriculum Specialist.

The Member of the Year was Carol Chase, Conard math teacher, and the Citizen of the Year was Kathy Wilson. The finalists for the Teacher of the Year were Judie Goldenthal, Norfeldt kindergarten teacher; Karla McClain, Bristow music teacher; and Joyce St. Germaine, Bristow art teacher. Clare Dowd, President of The Foundation for West Hartford Public Schools presented the Teacher of the Year award. The entertainment was provided by Conard's Jazz Combo and b S#arp. We thank the dinner committee co-chairpersons Theresa McKeown, WHEA Executive Vice President and Laurie Noyes, WHEA Office Manager.



On the left and from left to right, is Graham and Carol Chase, Member of the Year, and Mimi Hostetter, Conard social studies teacher. On the right is Kathy Wilson, Citizen of the Year.



The honored retirees from left to right are Thomas Hine, Richard Joseph, Laurel Mills, Joe Mancini, John Bennett, Marilyn Krentzman, Martha Calef, Kerry Meehan and John Edmonds.



On the left and from left to right is Theresa McKeown, Executive Vice President, and Jasdeep Singh, Rep. Council Chair, MCs for the dinner. On the right from left to right is Laurie Noyes, WHEA Office Manager and David Dippolino, WHEA President.



WHEA, NEA and CEA News

WHEA Officers

The Officers for 2011-2013 are President David Dippolino, Conard math teacher; Executive Vice President Tom Devine, Hall social studies teacher; Administrative Vice President Lillian Rausch, Charter Oak ESOL teacher; and Treasurer Allayne Sundt, Bristow math teacher. The new officers will assume the office on the first day of July. Congratulations!

NEA

The NEA/RA (Representative Assembly) will be held from Thursday, June 30 through Tuesday, July 5 in Chicago, IL. During the RA there are discussions, conferences, exhibits and the Representative Assembly. Many of the important issues that impact American public education are discussed and debated during the RA. The delegates elect top officers and set policy for the 3.2 million member Association. The West Hartford delegates are Conard math teachers Carol Chase and David Dippolino, and ESOL teachers Joyce Bogdan, Sedgwick; and Lillian Rausch, Charter Oak.

Stay informed with National issues that are affecting teachers throughout the country. Check out *NEA advocacy: Your Values and Activism in Action!* at www.educationvotes.nea.org. Log on and join today. Your voice is needed for action!

CEA

There was a Hartford County Council meeting on Wednesday, March 30, 2011, at the Chowder Pot, Hartford. There was a discussion about member benefits and dues.

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The Hartford County CEA Board of Directors are at the County Council meeting.

CEA News cont.

CEA cont.

During the CEA/RA (Representative Assembly) delegates decided on Association policies, and voted on new business items. This year the RA was held on Friday, May 6 and Saturday, May 7 at the Crowne Plaza, Cromwell, CT. The delegates are from all of the local unions in Connecticut. The West Hartford delegates were David Dippolino, Tom Devine, Carol Chase, Tom Hine, Chris Islaub, Brenda Key, Sheila Levanti, Theresa McKeown, Jen Prigodich, Lillian Rausch, Mary Sheridan, Sara Tamborello, Wendy Baker, Trudy Davis, Brittney Zieller, Allayne Sundt, and Joyce Bogdan.



On the left is David Dippolino speaking on the floor on behalf of our benefits. On the right from left to right are Brenda Key, Duffy 3rd grade teacher, and Chris Islaub, Conard social studies teacher on the floor at the RA.



CEA Conferences

On Saturday, April 2, 2011 the CEA *New Teacher Conference* was held at Mohegan Sun Conference Center, Uncasville, CT. The keynote speaker was Dr. Jeffrey Duncan-Andrade, Associate Professor of Raza Studies and Education Administration and Interdisciplinary Studies at San Francisco State University (SFSU). He is also an English teacher at Mandela High School in East Oakland and directs the East Oakland *Step to College* Program. Besides teaching he works closely with teachers, leaders and district officials to help them with effective teaching in schools serving poor and working class children. He has published articles, book chapters and two books, The Art of Critical Pedagogy: Possibilities for Moving from Theory to Practice in Urban Schools and What a Coach Can Teach a Teacher. See <http://cci.sfsu.edu/taxonomy/term/68>. During the all day conference members attended workshops, networked and enjoyed lunch with colleagues.

The 2011 Summer Leadership Conference will be held on Monday, August 1 through Wednesday, August 3 at Mohegan Sun Conference Center, Uncasville, CT. You can register online at www.cea.org, just log in and register. Be sure to check with David Dippolino at the WHEA office to be sure that you will be reimbursed by WHEA. This is an opportunity to hear the keynote speaker, attend tracks and elective workshops for CEU's, and/or leadership training. You will network with other teachers from across our state. It is a great opportunity for our members.

Leading Students

Author Visit

By Shannon McNeice

Charles R. Smith, Jr., poet, author, and photographer visited Sedgwick on Thursday, May 19. Smith delivered three inspirational presentations during which he performed some of his poems and spoke to students about how reading changed his life. He also explained how he made the transition from professional photographer to poet and children's book author. In addition, he met with Sedgwick's AIMS Students for a writer's chat. Then he had lunch with sixth graders who were selected because they created original works of writing inspired by Smith's pieces.

"I have never seen our students so engaged in the moment as when Charles was performing his poems. Providing opportunities for students to meet successful, creative people and hear their stories is priceless; especially since his story is one where reading, writing and research have been instrumental in his success!"



From left to right are Sedgwick faculty Shannon McNeice, media specialist; Andrea Carubba, sixth grade special education; English teachers Meghan Gagnard, sixth grade; Ginny Connors, seventh grade; Kathryn Schreijack, sixth grade; and Charles R. Smith Jr. He is signing books for students, parents, faculty, and staff.

Leading Students cont.

Artist-in-Residence

By Kim Jackson

On April 5, 6, and 7th, Webster Hill School in West Hartford welcomed its 2010-2011 *Artist-in-Residence*, vocal band group, *Ball in The House*. The residency was funded by the Frankie and Bob Goldfarb grant through The Foundation for West Hartford Public Schools and the Webster Hill PTO. The visit, coordinated by Karen Howard, music teacher, and myself included student workshops with the group and a daytime performance for students and staff. The group concluded its visit here with a special evening concert for our Webster Hill families played before a packed house in the Conard High School auditorium. The Webster Hill chorus sang the song "My Girl" with the group during both performances.

From the group's web site..."In the path of classic harmony groups like Boyz II Men, The Temptations, and Take 6, with a mix of the classic and the contemporary, the five-member vocal band Ball in the House brilliantly blends a wide range of influences, from classic R&B to pop, hip-hop & gospel. They have performed with such artists as The Beach Boys, Gladys Knight, The Jonas Brothers, Jessica Simpson, Fantasia, Blondie, The Temptations, Smokey Robinson, KC & The Sunshine Band, Kool & the Gang, and numerous others. All a cappella, but a sound that will astound and amaze you. 5 Guys, 5 Voices, THAT'S IT..." For more information, including some great music, check out their web site at www.ballinthehouse.com.



Leading Students cont.

International Night

Ryan Cronin, Whiting Lane ESOL teacher, held an International Night for ESOL students and their families on June 3. Many families presented music, pictures, and clothing from their cultures. They also brought a traditional dish to share.

Johannah Kosienski, King Philip ESOL teacher, held an International Potluck supper for ESOL students and their families on Friday, May 20. There was food from all over the world, multicultural music played and some people danced. It was a great night for parents of ESOL students to mingle with each other and King Philip staff.

This is Johannah Kosienski,
King Philip ESOL teacher.



Hello West Hartford!

Hello West Hartford!, is a project based in our community. Community Connections started this initiative to build bridges between people. Each month a different language is featured with a video filmed by *Be the Media*. Businesses and schools are participating with the project. So far Montserrat Rich, Whiting Lane Spanish teacher, spoke about Spanish. Bristow has been showcased with Hindi and at King Philip Johannah Kosienski, ESOL teacher, and students spoke about Urdu. There are 70 languages spoken in West Hartford. Check out the website at www.hellowesthartford.org.



Leading Students cont.

Train Show

Maggie Kaiser, sixth grade technology education teacher at Sedgwick, hosted the 5th Anniversary Train Show. It was held on Saturday, April 9 and Sunday, April 10. It featured Torrington Area Model Railroaders, Valley N-Trak, Technology Student Association (TSA) alumni train layouts and the Sedgwick TSA members with hands on activities. This was a fundraiser to help with costs for Sedgwick TSA members that are participating in the competitive events for the state and national levels.



H2O For Life

Jasdeep Singh, Sedgwick seventh grade science teacher, is helping his students again this year with the *H2O For Life* project. First there was a coin collection competition to collect money for the project. Then on Saturday, April 30 there was a Water Walk-a-Thon at Sedgwick with participants walking for three miles carrying a 40 pound bag. This simulated the daily walk that many women and children must make to get water for their family. They raised \$3,500 that will help communities gain access to clean water and sanitation and hygiene lessons in Africa, Central American, Asia or a Caribbean island.

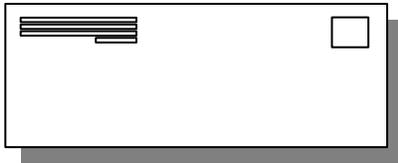


Leading Students cont.

Letters from Kuwait

The Sedgwick ESOL students in Joyce Bogdan's classes wrote letters and made cards for Anna Anelli, a soldier serving in Kuwait. On the base Anna, a friend of Joyce's, is in charge of all food preparation, water levels, serving temperatures, cleanliness, and checking on the water coming into the tanks. She also keeps up her military skills and volunteers at the USO. Her primary duty at the USO is to provide reading programs consisting of making DVD's of her colleagues reading stories for their children home.

Anna personally wrote back to each of the ESOL students to thank them and share information. She sent photos of a sandstorm they had a few week ago that lasted 2 ½ hours. She is originally from Connecticut but lives in New Hampshire now. She should be home in June.



Junior Achievement

Students at Webster Hill learned about the business world using the Junior Achievement curriculum. This was coordinated by Kim Jackson, Curriculum Specialist, third grade teachers Kelly Cabell, Therese Horn, and Deborah Stolstrom; fourth grade teachers Lynn Sweet-Dobrow, Lorene Flansbury, Alison Gannon, Rich Wells; and fifth grade teachers Stefanie Chapdelaine, Jeffrey Cowan and Deborah Kotler. They worked with BlumShapiro, a West Hartford business consulting firm. Students learned about running a business and focused on STEM skill: science, technology, engineering and math.



Leading Students cont.

Musicals

Under the direction of Director and Choreographer Amy Borysewicz, Conard teachers, Pit Director Scott Porter and Music Director Gwen Baker and Assistant Directing /Assistant Choreographer Melissa Lotstein, Sedgwick music teacher, Conard presented *Footloose the Musical* on March 18-20.

The Sedgwick Middle School Drama Club presented *Hairspray*. The Director was John Tracey, social studies teacher. The Assistant Director and Choreographer was Pamela Matway, social studies teacher; and Jasdeep Singh, science teacher, was the Sound Technician. Matt Celio, social studies teacher, played the part of Edna Turnblad. Cameo appearances included Bob Lorenzo, guidance counselor. Also, Tom Sullivan, former Director and retired social studies teacher, made an appearance. Over 200 students were part of the production.

Bristow presented *Guys and Dolls, Jr.* The Director/Choreographer was Sloane Williams, English teacher. The Producer was Teri Michaud, social studies teacher, and the Musical Director was Karla McClain, music teacher.

In the photo from left to right are Karla McClain, Sloane Williams, and Teri Michaud.



TV Music

Migdalia Colon's, speech and language teacher at Sedgwick, brother, Javier Colon, appeared on the new NBC program *The Voice*. The program began on Tuesday, April 26 and the live shows started on June 7. He made a surprise visit to Sedgwick on May 26 to visit his sister's classes. Migdalia wrote that her brother came "to talk with the kids about the importance of education and achieving your goals." Be sure to watch the show and vote for him this summer. For links to articles in the Hartford Courant:

http://blogs.courant.com/roger_catlin_tv_eye/2011/05/west-hartfords-javier-colon-ad.html

<http://www.courant.com/entertainment/tv/hc-javier-colon-the-voice-0503-20110503,0,1676144.story>



Kudos go to:**Board of Education Awards**

On Tuesday, May 24, 2011 the Board of Education Awards were presented. There were several awards presented to West Hartford teachers.

Dawn Jaquith-O'Connor, Morley second grade teacher, was named the 23rd Annual Noah Webster Award recipient for extraordinary commitment to our community.

Kelly Smurthwaite, Duffy art teacher, was named the 2011 Outstanding Elementary Art Educator by The Connecticut Art Education Association.

Joseph Ganci, King Philip music teacher, directed the Jazz Band in the University of New Hampshire Jazz Festival. They won first place in 2011 University of NH Clark Terry Jazz Festival.

Brigid Kennedy, Conard art teacher, and **Robert Loebell**, Hall art teacher, received the Professional Development Holocaust Educator Awards from the University of Hartford.

Bill Condon, Conard chemistry teacher, has been selected to receive the 2010-2011 New England Institute of Chemists (NEIC) Secondary School Chemistry Teacher Award from Connecticut. The award is given to teachers who have encouraged an interest in the field of chemistry.

Rebecca Behlman, Charter Oak International Academy first grade teacher, and her class were selected to share their animal research PowerPoint and video by CT Educators Computer Association at the Legislative Office Building.

Jennifer Hunt, Sedgwick Quest teacher, received the History Channel Award for Service and the Connecticut History Day Teacher of the Year Award.

Steve Garneau, Sedgwick physical education teacher, was named Outstanding Coach of the Year in Unified Sports.

Kerry Roller, Conard Administrative Assistant, was named Outstanding Coach of the Year in Boys Volleyball.

Congratulations!

Kudos go to cont.:

Awards

Anna-Mae Maglaty, WHREA, was honored at the Polish Day Ceremony on May 3, 2011 at the State Capitol Hall of Flags. She was recognized for her many contributions to education and for her work in the Polish community.

Joyce Bogdan, Sedgwick ESOL teacher, won the award for Best New Entry in the 2011 CEA Internal Newsletter Competition. The award was presented during the CEA/RA on May 7.

Joyce Bogdan, Sedgwick ESOL teacher, received her award for *Best New Entry* for the *WHEA World*.



Publications

Kristi Luetjen, Whiting Lane kindergarten teacher, was featured in *Assumption Magazine*, from Assumption College Magazine, vol. 9., number 2, spring 2011. The article *Inspirational Educator* focused on *Success through Teamwork*.

WHREA Corner

Insurance Funding Restored!

Each pay period, active teachers have money withheld from their paychecks towards their pension and retirement Health Insurance Premium Account (HIPA). The State also contributes to these accounts. The HIPA account is used to offset the high cost of retirees' insurance premiums and/or Medicare supplementary insurance. Two years ago, the previous Governor Rell and legislature agreed **not** to contribute their legal obligation of \$66 million dollars to the HIPA account in order to balance the State budget. This action put the fund in financial jeopardy and could have placed serious economic burdens on retired and active teachers. Through the hard work of the West Hartford **Retired** Teachers Association, the Association of Retired Teachers of CT, and CEA-R, I am pleased to inform you that Governor Malloy and the legislature have agreed to restore the \$66 million dollars over the next two years!

Preserving the HIPA fund is just one of the many ways that the WHREA works on behalf of retired AND active teachers. We are constantly working to protect and improve retirement benefits so that educators can have a dignified and enjoyable retirement. If you are retiring this year you will be mailed more information about the WHREA. Active teachers can also support our work by becoming an associate member. If you would like further information about joining the WHREA, please e-mail me at: whrea@comcast.net

On behalf of the WHREA, I wish everyone a happy, restful, and healthy summer.

Ken Sopelak

President WHREA



Your Credit Union



Franklin Trust Federal Credit Union

All West Hartford Public Schools staff, employees, volunteers, and students are eligible for membership in Franklin Trust Federal Credit Union. The credit union offers a wide variety of products and services, including savings accounts, checking accounts, loans, mortgages, credit cards, debit cards, direct deposit, and on-line banking. In addition, they are part of a network of over 30,000 surcharge-free ATMs nationwide.

Franklin Trust was founded as a teachers credit union in 1934. Now the fourth oldest federal credit union in the country, they are celebrating their 76th anniversary this year.

The credit union's West Hartford office is located at 927 Farmington Avenue, near Blue Back Square. Their Main Office is at 632 Franklin Avenue in Hartford. For more information, including a form that allows you to sign up through the mail, call Franklin Trust at (860) 296-4379, ext. 203. They can be found on the web at www.franklintrust.org, as well as on Facebook and MySpace.

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Quick Tips

"Traveler, there is no road. You make your path as you walk."

Antonio Machado
(Spanish Poet)



- Check out upcoming events, e-mail addresses for officers at www.whea.org.
- Attend your Building Rep's monthly 10 minute meetings. Stay informed!
- Check out the home mailings from NEA & CEA. If you are not receiving them contact your building rep.
- Check out the websites at www.nea.org and www.cea.org.
- Stay informed with school policies and information by visiting www.whps.org.
- Read 'WHEA World' at www.whea.org. To add your news, please complete the *News Form* on the last page of this issue. Watch for your news in upcoming editions.
- Questions, concerns? talk to your building rep.
- Check the website for the Foundation for West Hartford Public Schools Grants at www.fwhps.org.

Current Issues

National, State News

Check the websites at www.cea.org and www.nea.org for ongoing information on important state and national issues. Stay current with the latest information. You can sign up for updates through the blog at the CT Education Association (CEA).



In national news the items on the agenda include the budget, health care and the reauthorization of ESEA. Be sure to log onto NEA's Education Votes at www.educationvotes.nea.org to add your voice and advocate for education.

The last town hall meeting around the state has been held. Many state residents attended to give their input on various issues in Connecticut. The state need to close the approximately \$4 billion deficit. Many tax increases are being discussed.

It is important to stay up to date with the issues. The funding of our public schools, our children's education and closing the achievement gap will be high on the list. Be an education activist!

Local News

You can access your local, state and national elected officials on the West Hartford Public Library website at www.westhartfordlibrary.org. On the website click on 'Town of West Hartford Links' on the left column, then click on Local Elected Officials. The list includes the elected official's position, their name, address, phone number and e-mail address. You can log onto the website for further information.



The Town Manager Ron Van Winkle proposed a 5.8 percent increase over the current budget year that ends on June 30. This would mean an increase of 4.6 percent in taxes for homeowners.

Republican Burke Doar was appointed to fill the seat on the town council vacated by Rob Durbin. This brings the council back to a 6-3 majority.

News Form

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Name(s):

School(s):

Subject/Area:

Grade level(s):

Name of the Award or Accomplishment:

Description:

When and where was this received?

Why and how did you receive this honor?

Awarded by whom?

A quote from you:

Attach a photo.

Congratulations on your achievement!

Please e-mail this form to WHEA at wheaooffice@gmail.com. If you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at 860-463-2547.

Joyce Bogdan
PR Chair