
22ND WARD NEWSLETTER

FROM

ALDERMAN GREG MOREHEAD

Spring 2008

*Welcome and Greetings from Alderman
Greg Morehead*



Dear Neighbors,

Greetings and Best Wishes

I want to welcome all of the new voters to Ward 22 since our last newsletter in January was distributed. When I was elected in April of last year, I came onboard moving full speed ahead and implemented various programs for our youth and seniors, and spoke about going back to the basics. I am excited that Spring has sprung! Wintertime for me was a time for a lot of behind the scenes planning and regrouping. Now I look forward to implementing all of the plans and activities that will bring us closer as a community and allow us to forge ahead to make our Ward unified. **I am asking that everyone come out to an important Ward meeting on Fri May 9th, 6:30pm at Wexler Grant School.(side entrance) Please see the calendar page of this newsletter.**

Please continue to visit www.ward22newhaven.com, for more information about what's going on in our community and to leave comments and express your concerns online. As your representative to the Board of Aldermen, I am committed to continuing to fight for you on the matters of importance to us. Please remember that I am always accessible by calling me on the phone or by sending me an email at any time. I am here for you!

You can reach me at 507.7766. Let's work together!!!

Be Blessed,

Greg Morehead

---WARD 22 SALUTES YOU---

Starting with this newsletter, each quarter I will recognize one to three residents that other Ward 22 residents have said deserve accolades. A lot of times when we do for others, it seems like it goes unnoticed and no one sees the good things that we do behind closed doors. With that being said, this quarter I would like to congratulate VALERIE MCKINNIE of Foote Street! Valerie always puts herself on the backburner and puts the feelings of others in front when it comes time for special events, and holidays etc. One resident stated, "Valerie is always thinking about the needs of me and everyone else and I feel that someone should do something nice for her". Valerie, WARD 22 Salutes You!!!!



A citation coming from myself and the rest of the Board of Aldermen will be presented personally to our nominee's each quarter. This is a small way that we can say to those in our Ward that accomplish big things behind closed doors, we appreciate you and the work that you do.

If you know of a resident that should be featured in our SUMMER newsletter because of the great things that they do for others, and you would like to nominate them, please contact me by either email or by phone @ 507.7766.

Let's give honor where honor is due!

Alderman, What Have You Been Doing???

Some residents have had a hard time with me being on TV the last couple of times. I just would like to clarify some things; this isn't the first time that I performed on TV and for various shows. Before I was an Alderman, I traveled and performed for various Artists on numerous TV shows and played at various venues across the world. Music continues to be my passion and my job. That's one of the ways that I provide for my family. I come to realize that some people will always have something to say even when things are going good, but I do not let negativity sidetrack me.

This year I traveled to Washington for the N.L.C.(National League of Cities Convention) where I was able to learn from other elected officials various ways to better our Ward and community. I had a chance to rally for various policies at Capitol Hill;

1. Energy Efficiency and the Conservation Block program
2. Restore and protect funding for proven public safety programs, including the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, Byrne Justice Assistance Grants. The federal government's budget calls for slashing \$1 billion in crime prevention and enforcement programs. Crime is not just a state and local matter!
3. Requested that Congress would enact legislation to protect homebuyers from predatory lending by ensuring that mortgage loans are well suited to the financial means of the buyer. Also requested that Congress FULLY fund programs that will help our cities minimize the damage caused by the national foreclosure crisis, such as the

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Community Development Block Grant program.

Below are just some of the many things that I have worked on since Jan 2008.....

- Spoke on a panel at the DYCLC with State Rep Bill Dyson, and Alderwoman Gina Calder regarding various issues that elected officials face in New Haven and across CT.
- I was a Keynote speaker at Career High School for Awards Ceremony for Dixwell/Newhallville Youth.
- Met at C-town with Owner and USPS director of CT to discuss possible Post office in CTown facility.
- Met with members of National Swat team and other chiefs of Police at City Hall to discuss additional resources for our New Haven Cops so that they are more effective with Community Policing.
- Met with Captains and Lieutenants at Union Ave Headquarters to discuss Drug Intervention Program in New Haven.
- Spoke at New Haven Adult Education near Flea Market to High School Dropout students on owning a business, getting involved with Politics, the importance of an education. Spoke in front of 4 different classes of 20 students in each.
- Met with Alderwoman Gina Calder, Mike Morand, and Security Directors from Yale to discuss implementation of more Blue Boxes throughout New haven. Also discussed Expansion of security and implementation of remote locators for New Haven residents.
- Met with High School Students for Y.E.S. program and spoke about being an elected official, the importance of family, and owning your own business.
- Met with Darcey Lynn Cobbs (Elderly Services Director) regarding services and programs for senior centers, and discussed funding options for security at Victory Gardens Center.
- Met with New Haven Town Green President to discuss jobs for residents in Ward that have felonies and ways the Town Green can be an asset in Ward 22.
- Perform monthly ride along with our Neighborhood Specialist in our Ward, to address various issues.
- Met with director for CT Children and Families to discuss additional services and programs for Monterey Residents.

I continue to rectify numerous complaints from residents in person and on the phone because I have a passion to see us all succeed!

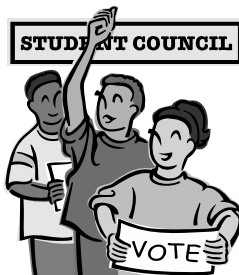
Ward 22-Co Chair - Gina Phillips

I would like to take this time and congratulate Gina Phillips for winning the co-chair race on March 4th 2008. Gina was out in the Ward meeting a lot of the residents that she didn't know and led a good race from the start. I would also like to congratulate the other co-chair candidate, Levon Gilbert in spite of him not winning on that day. A couple of days before Levon filed his petition; he started working at a new job and couldn't go out in the Ward like he wanted to because of the jobs probationary period and inflexible schedule. I congratulate him because his heart from day one was for the community and he was quite upset because he couldn't reach out to the community the way he wanted to because of his new position.

Levon and Gina will be around at our functions and will be working close with me at various functions and events.

For those that are unsure what a Co-Chairs position is, here is a brief synopsis;

Co-Chairs not only are responsible for keeping track of and registering new voters, and scheduling Ward meetings, but they work closely with the Alderman to make sure that the vision of the Ward comes to fruition. In order for anything to be successful, we must continue to work together and be unified!



Street Sweeping

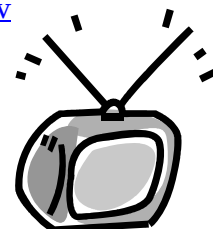
I just wanted to remind everyone that Street Cleaning begun on April 1st so please pay close attention to the signs that are posted in FRONT of your homes so that your car(s) do not get towed. Street sweeping ends on November 1st 2008.



Are You Ready For February 2009?

At midnight on February 17, 2009, all full-power television stations in the United States will stop broadcasting in analog and switch to 100% digital broadcasting. Digital broadcasting promises to provide a clearer picture and more programming options and will free up airwaves for use by emergency responders.

The Federal Government is offering U.S. households up to two \$40 coupons to help with the cost of certified TV converter boxes. A converter box is a onetime purchase that will allow your analog TV to work after Feb 17 2009 to continue receiving television broadcasts. Coupons are free, but supply is limited. Coupons will be mailed to you by the Federal Government. More info-888.388.2009 or www.dtv2009.gov



PROGRAMS AND JOBS!

The First Tee of CT 2008 Group Golf Lessons Program

Classes held New Haven and taught by PGA professionals
Maximum 8:1 student/instructor ratio
Once a week for seven weeks
\$1 class-Total of \$7
Classes available for boys and girls ages 7-18

For an application, log onto
www.thefirstteeconnecticut.org or call
860.882.1660



24th Annual Statewide Senior Outing at Holiday Hill

Organized by the City of New Haven, Dept of Elderly Services
Monday August 25, 2008
Great Food, Fun and Great Music performed by Vinnie Carr
\$25 per ticket/ Transportation Provided
For ticket Information, please contact Irrita Osborn @ 203.946.8541

Town Green Special Services in New Haven

The Town Green in New Haven is hiring Greeters for the Green and surrounding downtown areas. For more information, please contact the Town Green @ 203.401.4245. Please let them know that you were referred by Alderman Greg Morehead

Camp Antrum After School Community Program

For K-8th Boys and Girls

The camp provides;

- Academic Support: Reading, Writing, Math, English, Foreign Language and Homework.
- Basketball Focus Points: Shooting, Passing, Dribbling, Rebounding, Defense, Positioning, Agility and Team concepts.
- Extracurricular Activities: Martial Arts; African Drum & Dance; Arts & Crafts.

PROGRAM LOCATION: WEXLER-GRANT

Schedule: Tutoring: Mon-Fri; 2:30-4:00pm

Basketball: Mon- Fri; 4:00-6:00pm

African Drum & Dance:

Mon - Fri; 4:00-6:00pm

Arts& Crafts: Mon-Fri; 4:00-6:00pm

Martial Arts: Mon- Thurs 4:00-6:00pm

For additional information, call 203-589-1313
or email: campantrum@gmail.com

Looking For Another Job to Enhance Your Career?

Call New Life Corporation

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Contact Saima Kazmi @ 203.777.0313

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School Crossing Guard in New Haven

Department; Traffic and Parking
Salary; \$10.44/hour
Hours; Part Time, 10 hours per week

Applications can be picked up from Department of Human Resources, 200 Orange Street 1st Floor

AT&T Service Technician

Premises Technicians work both inside and outside and are responsible for the installation and customer care of the new U-verse integrated digital TV, high speed Internet and voice services.

What you'll do as an AT&T Premises Technician:

- Educate customers on service features and functionality
- Verify all services are working correctly
- Install and rearrange inside wires
- Possibly work in small confined spaces or aloft (up to 28ft)
- Work with hand tools
- Work outdoors in all kinds of weather

Go to www.att.jobs to Apply

Domestic Violence Services of Greater New Haven

- 24 hour confidential hotline for crisis intervention and information on domestic violence issues

203.798.8104 or 888.774.2900

Infoline & Warmline

- Dial 211 for up to date information on a variety of helpful services
- Warmline-Support Line -800.314.2680

Bilingual (Spanish) Service Representatives

AT&T is looking for bilingual men and women to sell products and services to customers while handling service orders and billing inquiries. Competitive wages include base pay plus incentives.

The most qualified candidates will possess the following;

- Fluently speak and write in both Spanish and English
- Strong verbal communication skills
- 6 months commission/quota sales experience within the last two years OR 2 years of college education

To apply, go to www.att.jobs

Security Officers

All Shifts available

Hiring for positions in the New Haven and surrounding areas.

- Excellent wages and great benefits.
- Computer skills and attention to detail a must!

For a fast response, apply online @

www.securitasjobs.com or call 800.931.9696

Citizens Bank-Administrative Assistant

209 Church Street-New Haven

Qualifications

- Requires high school degree or equivalent. An AS degree in an appropriate field or a Bachelor's degree a plus.
Job related experience a plus.
Strong PC skills including MS Office Suite and calendaring.

Position will support Senior Vice President/Regional Manager and department staff of Commercial Lending department.

To apply, please go online to

<https://careers.cfghr.com/> and type in Job Requisition # 339996

Spring/Summer Calendar

This year, again we are going to be very active with the events and programs that will be taking place. I urge everyone in our Ward to get involved with the programs and services that will be offered. Please note; the program/meeting dates that are listed below are subject to change depending on participation, and involvement from the residents.

(Programs below are for 3 months ahead)

- **Fri, May 9-** Alderman Greg Morehead to meet with residents of 114 Bristol Street and 69 Webster Street (Senior Complex)-Time-TBD
- **Fri, May 9-** Alderman Greg Morehead to meet with residents of **entire** Ward to address recent wave of crime and violence in New Haven and tools that residents can use to stay safe during the summer months. Other important items on agenda. - *Time 6:30pm at Wexler Grant School Auditorium (side entrance)*
- **Fri, May 16-** Alderman Greg Morehead to meet with residents of Victory Gardens and Scantlebury Centers-Time-TBD
- **Fri, May 16-** Alderman Greg Morehead to meet with new Ward Committee members-Time 6:00 pm at The Rose Center (DYCLC)
- **Sat, June 7-** Alderman Greg Morehead will take children ages 2-10 to Sesame Place in Langhorne, Pa. We will leave from New Haven at 8AM and return at 8PM. Admission to the park, lunch, and a dinner buffet is included. Price-FREE for children, **nominal** fee for adults. Please contact me for details and to sign up to attend. Please let me know your interest, no later than **Weds May 14, 2008**. Contact me if you would like to be a chaperone
- **Sat, June 21-**Charity Basketball Game-Alderman Greg Morehead will sponsor a charity basketball game with members of the New Haven Board of Alderman and City Hall Staff against New Haven Residents (Youth and Adults). The proceeds for this event will go towards members of New Haven Drill teams that do not have all of the funds necessary for travel to other states in August for their respective competitions. Every year, a lot of members from drill teams in New Haven are not able to go to these competitions because of lack of funds. Location-Payne Whitney Gym-70 Tower Pkwy-Price-\$3-Time 3PM
- **Sat, June 28-**Kickoff of Open Mic Nights -Alderman Greg Morehead will kickoff Open Mic Nights at Wexler Grant School. Featured will be residents of our Ward who can sing, rap, dance, recite poetry, or play an instrument. Theme- "**Gospel Open Mic**". Food will be provided for FREE. Location-Wexler Grant School-Outside Track-Time-2PM If you would like to perform or have a booth outside, please contact me no later than May 30th!
- **Thurs, July 3-**Alderman Greg Morehead will sponsor a holiday BBQ at 114 Bristol Street for our seniors. All senior center facility residents in our Ward are invited. We appreciate the legacy and rich heritage that we have in our seniors. Time-TBD
- **Sat, July 12-**Alderman Greg Morehead will sponsor an End of the school year Family BBQ on Ashmun Street. We will congratulate those that did well in school for the year. Ashmun Street will be closed between Webster & Foote Streets Time-3-5PM
- **Sat, July 26-**Open Mic Nights-Continuation of Annual Open Mic Nights at Wexler Grant School. Event will start at 2PM. If you would like to perform or have a booth outside, please contact me no later than Tuesday July 1st

Spring/Summer Calendar- (Dixwell Yale Learning Center)

Tuesday, May 6: Souls of Black Girls Documentary & Discussion 6:30-8:30pm

For Youth Members Ages 12+ & Adult Members

The Souls of Black Girls is a documentary that questions whether or not women of color are suffering from a self image disorder as a result of media images. View this provocative and informative documentary. Discuss how media images are impacting Black women.

Sponsored by the Pi Alpha chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

Tuesday, May 6 & Wednesday, May 7: Microsoft Excel Workshop 5:30-7:30pm (2 Session Workshop)

Saturday, May 10: Fun & Harmony Musical Performance 10:00-11:30am

For Youth Members & Adult Members

Enjoy a performance by award-winning children's entertainer, Tom Weber and a performance from students of Music Haven.

Wednesday, May 14: Computers Made Easy 5:30-7:30pm

Wednesday, May 14 Community, Health, and Wellness Series - Emotional Wellness Form: 7:00pm

We plan to offer an invigorating speaker, relaxation and stress reduction techniques, and a powerful discussion about how to make our lives better.

Refreshments and healthy snacks will be served.

Sponsored by Theta Epsilon Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Tuesday, May 20: Internet Basics Workshop 5:30-7:30pm

Wednesdays May 21-June 11: Pre-Purchase First Time Homebuyer Workshop 6:00-9:00pm

Attend all four (4) workshops and receive a homebuyer certificate.

Sponsored by the Yale Homebuyer Program and People's Bank

To register, please fill out the attached registration form and fax it to (203) 436-4843 or bring it to the DYCLC.

Adult Computer Open Hours*: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 12:00-2:30pm

Tuesday, Wednesday 5:00-7:00pm & Thursday 6:00-7:00pm

*Outside of Formal Computer Classes

Dixwell-Yale University Community Learning Center (DYCLC)

101 Ashmun Street

tel: (203) 436-4841 fax: (203) 436-4843

email: dixwellyale@yale.edu

www.yale.edu/dixwellyale

DYCLC Open Hours: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 12:00-7:00pm

Friday and Saturday 12:00-5:00pm