

New Haven Day at the Capitol: John Fisher of the Shubert, and Kim Futrell of New Haven Cultural Affairs update Rep. Dillon on the Shubert's recent repairs.

# **Protecting New Haven Homeowners**

Mindful of New Haven's property tax burden, Pat focused on measures to protect and add dollars to the city.

- Protected dollars to city of New Haven to avoid property tax hike
- Preserved \$300 property tax credit
- Authored legislation with Sen. Harp and Rep. Candelaria to alter school construction formulas for pre-1950 buildings based on her research for Troup (\$6 million in 2010)
- Final 2011 budget amendment secured an extra \$11 million in reimbursement for school construction

# **Workplace and Jobs**

- () Supported paid sick days
- <sup>(I)</sup> Preserved and expanded historic tax credits that improve housing stock and neighborhoods, and create construction jobs

# **New Haven Fiscal Year 2011-2012**

# **Aid Estimates**

PILOT: State Owned Property	\$4,846,710
PILOT: Colleges & Hospitals	\$37,547,918
Town Aid Roads	\$610,471
Local Capital Improvement Program	\$1,803,526
Manufacturing Transition Grant	\$1,175,481
Municipal Revenue Sharing	\$1,526,553
Pequot/Mohegan Aid	\$7,553,840
Adult Education	\$3,107,358
School Transportation	\$2,179,779
Educational Cost Sharing	\$142,509,525
Total State Funds to New Haven & the 92nd District	\$197,420,740

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Dear friends and neighbors,

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	government more efficient while protecting the safety net and dollars to the city.
	You turned out for public hearings on legislation and the budget in record numbers. Several hearings lasted past midnight. Every voice was heard.
	Government can be a force for good, but our quality of life is also driven by leadership within our own community that holds government accountable and finds common ground.
	In recent examples, here in our neighborhoods, Semi Semi-Dikoko spurred efforts to plant fruit trees, Stacy Spell pulled us together to address gun violence, and Tonetta Christie organized her neighbors for a park in upper Westville.
	Such efforts may start small, but over time they add up. Like government, building community takes leadership and teamwork.
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# Patricia Dillon



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### **Access to Nutritious Food Expanded**

#### Children:

We increased availability for the school breakfast program. Students learn best with proper nutrition that starts with breakfast.

#### Seniors:

More seniors will qualify for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) and better afford their groceries. A household of two can earn up to \$2,248 monthly and still qualify for assistance.

More information is available at: 800.742.6906

# **Access to Higher Education**

As a former scholarship student, Pat has fought hard for Connecticut students to have access to higher education.

- Successfully fought to restore tuition support for Connecticut students to Connecticut colleges, slated for cuts.
- Successfully authored PA 11-92 requiring disclosure to student athletes of the terms of their athletic scholarships. Recruiters do not inform students that under NCAA rules athletic scholarships are for one year only, subject to renewal.
- Voted for all Connecticut residents who complete high school here to be eligible for in-state tuition, one component of New Haven Promise.



Representative Dillon with Dr. Allen Sack of Westville & Ramogi Huma at Higher Education hearing on the bill to benefit student athletes. Mr. Huma, a national expert flew in from out of state to testify.



Representative Dillon celebrates Edgewood School's 100th Anniversary with members of the Cavallaro family. Representative Dillon secured the initial \$4.9 million to begin renovation of Edgewood School, and the late Richard Cavallaro, longtime teacher at Edgewood, chaired the construction committee to bring the project to fruition. The celebration was dedicated to his memory.

# **Healthcare Coverage and Prevention**

Pat authored groundbreaking legislation to reduce injuries, and supported measures to reduce the cost of care.

- Voted for Connecticut Health Care Partnership, offering state health insurance coverage to municipalities and to non-profit organizations.
- Supported developing a comprehensive plan to contain costs and promote preventive care.
- Disease and injury prevention: authored PA 11-159 to prevent sexual assault in prison, reducing injury and HIV transmission.

## **Proposed Merger**

New Haven's two general hospitals, currently employing almost 13,000 people, are an important part of our job base and economy. But hospitals nationwide face pressure from Washington's cuts to Medicare providers. Catholic hospitals are most vulnerable because Medicare is a larger share of their revenue.

Yale New Haven Hospital and St. Raphael's have been in talks this year, and recently announced an agreement to merge. Although this needs approvals, and details are being negotiated, it is a positive development.

St. Raphael's would stay in local hands. In contrast, St. Mary's and Waterbury Hospital may merge but join with an outside for-profit partner.

St. Raphael's has been a critical anchor for the Dwight-Edgewood neighborhood, and a partner in local civic efforts. We wish them well and hope they will continue their civic involvement.



Representative Dillon with Florita Gillespie and Curlena McDonald at a Chocolate Fundraiser for Edgewood Montessori School. Representative Dillon presented the awards for best chocolate creations of the day.

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If a state resident is (1) a member of the armed forces, including National Guard, and called to active service for military operations that the President authorizes for military action in Afghanistan and (2) serving on the final day the tax payment is due, they can get help. The Veterans of Foreign Wars were strong supporters of this legislation, which was signed by the governor. The war may be off the front pages, but many families are paying a price most of us will never pay.



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# **Protecting Our Active Duty Soldiers**

Often, active duty soldiers, because of physical separation from their families and routine communication, are less able to manage financial matters at home. They may miss payment deadlines for local property taxes, and the penalties can be punitive.

This year, Pat worked with Sen. Martin Looney to pass PA 11-62, which extends current policy for those in Iraq to those in Afghanistan, and can provide relief in the

Representative Dillon with Joanne Sculli, director of Solar Youth, outside the Appropriations committee hearings on the budget. With them are staff and children in Solar's youth program who came to testify before the

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