



Upper Albany/Clay Arsenal Grapevine

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Neighborhood News, Hot Tips & Resource Information From Your UACA Weed & Seed Steering Committee

Your Weed & Seed
Police Substation

is located at:

636
Albany Avenue



**Milner Elementary School:
A Weed and Seed Safe Haven**

As far west as Westbourne Parkway, and as far east as Ann Street, the Upper Albany/Clay Arsenal (UACA) Weed & Seed program site includes the area between Homestead Avenue and Main Street, from Albany Avenue to Mahl Avenue.

The goal of Weed & Seed is to strengthen relationships based upon trust and understanding, in order to work collaboratively with our neighbors and community leaders to make Upper Albany and Clay Arsenal safer places to live, work and enjoy.

The Upper Albany/Clay Arsenal (UACA) Weed & Seed steering committee, residents, and police officers are working together to improve the quality of life, block by block, in our neighborhoods. Weed & Seed is bad



news for criminals with illegal drugs and guns, and good news for residents and youth who want a better quality of life on their blocks, with safe, drug-free streets.



Although matters relating to crime and criminal activity have been top priorities, it remains vital that we continue to enhance positive Hartford Police Department relationships both with members of the business community and all neighborhood residents, young and old.



Law enforcement and community policing cannot effectively function without input and cooperation from the people that the Hartford Police Department are sworn to serve.



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Safe Communities



Weed and Seed supports Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) and youth development programs in the Hartford Public Schools and after school Safe Havens, like the Artists Collective and the Urban League.



Interested in enrolling in Weed and Seed programs? Go to page 7, or e-mail Legrr001@hartford.gov

Dollie McLean and *Sheryle Jackson* are wonderful nurturers of Upper Albany and Clay Arsenal families. As director of the nationally-acclaimed Artists Collective, *Mrs. McLean* has cultivated respect for our community and culture that has extended well beyond the corner of Woodland Street and Albany Avenue. On May 19, 2007, Woodland Street was renamed *Jackie McLean Way*, in honor of her late husband and founder of the Artists Collective.

Ms. Jackson continues to innovate and faithfully serve our students and families, as principal of Milner Elementary School. She remains a model Weed and Seed partner. Milner was the pilot site for the national G.R.E.A.T. program.. Congratulations to *Ms. Jackson* and her *fifth and sixth graders* that graduated at City Hall.

G.R.E.A.T. in Milner



Support COMMUNITY POLICING, Contact LYNN FORD:
Call 860-251-6517 or email weedseedcommpol@aol.com

HPD TRUANCY
REDUCTION PROGRAM

Upper Alban

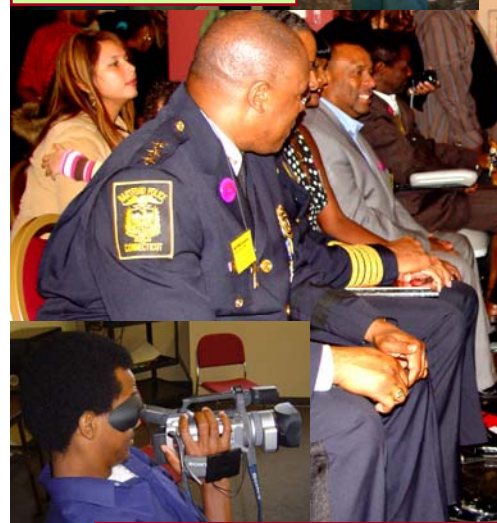


POSITIVE
YOUTH
DEVELOPMENT



School and Community

Prevention



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CREATIVE EXPRESSION

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Clay Arsenal



Intervention

ARTS & CULTURE

FAITH-BASED

Programs

Neighborhood Restoration



Community policing and neighborhood restoration go together. As Upper Albany /Clay Arsenal residents and stakeholders work with the Hartford Police Department on public safety, code enforcement and quality of life issues, the way is made clear for economic development and neighborhood improvement. There are big projects slated for Albany Avenue, promising jobs, new construction, street improvements and a new clean water system. Weed and Seed members **Denise Best, Lynn Ford, Jean Holloway, Marilyn Risi, Rev. Don Steinle, Gerald Thorpe** and **Pat Williams** continue to play key roles in the organizing, housing rehabilitation and economic development within our community.

6 Support NEIGHBORHOOD RESTORATION, Contact DENISE BEST:
Call 860-297-2153 ; 860-727-9830 or email risi@hartford.edu

Join Us!

Weed and Seed Providers

Artists Collective
Catholic Charities
Christian Activities Council
Hogar CREA
University of Hartford
Upper Albany Main Street
Urban League of Greater Hartford
YOUNG! Studios

Weed and Seed Partners

Affecting New Thoughts (ANT)
AFCAMP
Boys and Girls Club of Hartford
Capital Workforce Partners
City of Hartford Mayor's Office
Clay Hill Revitalization Zone
Coalition for Children, Families and Youth (CCYF)
Community Health Services
CT Department of Children and Families
Faith Seventh Day Adventist Church
Hartford Housing Authority
Hartford Jobs Funnel
Hartford Neighborhood Center
Hartford Office of Youth Services
Hartford Public Schools
Salvaging the African American Village (SAAV)
Saint Francis Hospital
SAND
The First Cathedral
Travelers Connecticut Foundation
Upper Albany Neighborhood Collaborative
Upper Albany Merchants Association
Upper Albany Revitalization Zone
Village for Families and Children
YMCA



Enrollment Form

Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please answer all questions and check all boxes that apply:

School: _____ Grade: _____

Hobbies/Interests: _____

Please check if you are: Parent: _____ # of children: _____

16 years old and out of school _____ Not working: _____

Want to volunteer _____ Want a job: _____ Need help: _____

Explain: _____

**Believe
It or Not!**

Special Opportunities...

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**After School
Programs**

**Employment
&
Training**

If You Live Here!!!



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