

Help feed a starving artist; New concerts announced



Kellie Lambert McGuire Observing The Arts

Help fund a new artist and her work. Local writer Dawn Leger is seeking supporters for her latest project, "Eagle Scouting," which focuses on a terrorist attack, revenge, murder, families broken and under siege. Leger has completed two-thirds of the writing. Leger is seeking supporters to aid her while she works part-time, finishes writing this book, and markets her first, self-published book "In Flight." She says "the money will keep me from having to eat the chipmunks my cat brings home, keep the Internet connected and the paper flowing." Leger's first book, "In Flight," is available for purchase on Amazon.com. For more information on her work and progress, visit www.dawnleger.com, or her

blog on "Eagle Scouting," eaglescouting.blogspot.com.

NEW CONCERTS: Tickets are currently on sale for three new shows at the Oakdale Theatre in Wallingford. **Disturbed** teams up with **Hail the Villain** and **Art of Dying** on Oct. 27. Tickets are \$37.50 for general admission pit and reserved seats.

Papa Roach and **Skillet** perform with **Trapt** and **My Darkest Day** on Oct 6 under the venue's Dome. Tickets are \$29.50 for general admission.

In the "whatever happened to..." file, **Hanson** plays under the Oakdale Dome on Nov. 20. Tickets are \$28.50 for general admission.

For more information, visit www.LiveNation.com.

CELEBRATE CONNECTICUT: Emmy Award-winning television journalist **Diane Smith** will present "Seasons of Connecticut: A Year-Round Celebration of the Nutmeg State" at the Southington Library at 7 p.m. Sept. 28.

Smith is known for her popular series, "Positively Connecticut," on Connecticut Public Television. The series was so popular it expanded to a series of books, including "Seasons of Connecticut." The full-color, season-by-season celebration of the Nutmeg state features more than 60 vignettes. From a



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Alice Cooper teams up with Rob Zombie for a Halloween Hootenanny at the Mohegan Sun Oct. 14.

springtime kite-flying festival to country fair cook-offs, the stories reveal the beauty and personality of the state throughout the year.

Registration is suggested due to limited seating. Light refreshments will be provided. For more infor-

mation, and to register, visit www.southingtonlibrary.org, or call (860) 628-0947 ext. 5.

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN ROCK: Alice Cooper and Rob Zombie will reunite this fall for the "Halloween Hootenanny Tour." The tour stops at Mohegan Sun in Uncasville on Oct. 14 and features special guests **Murderdolls**. For more information, visit www.mohegansun.com.

BUSHNELL'S NEW SHOWS: The Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts recently announced the line-up for its new season. Tickets for all shows are currently on sale and can be purchased at the at the Bushnell box office, 166 Capitol Ave., Hartford, by phone at (860) 987-5900 or online at www.bushnell.org.

The Broadway series includes **Blue Man Group**, Oct. 26 to Oct. 31; Irving Berlin's "White Christmas," Nov. 16 to Nov. 21; "The Wizard of Oz," Jan. 18 to Jan. 23; "Shrek The Musical," Feb. 15 to Feb. 20; "Next to Normal," March 29 to April 3; "Hair," April 26 to May 1; and "West Side Story," May 24 to 29.

The family series includes **Breakfast with Santa** event, Dec. 4; The Nutmeg Ballet's "Nutcracker," Dec. 18 and

19; Mad Science presents "Star Trek Live!," Feb. 5; Family Fun Day presenting "Dragon Scales and Fairy Tales," April 2; and Springtime Celebration with the **Bushnell Bunny**, April 16.

The "Literature to Life" series features "Warriors Don't Cry," Oct. 4; "Three Cups of Tea," Dec. 7; and "The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao," April 4.

Bushnell Children's Theatre will feature "Jason and the Argonauts," Nov. 3; "If You Give a Cat A Cupcake," Jan. 25; Mad Science presents "Star Trek Live!," Feb. 4; "Knuffle Bunny: A Cautionary Musical," Feb. 28; "Barrio GRRRL!," April 12; and "The Man Who Planted Trees," May 3.

Special events include performances by **Capitol Steps**, Sept. 30; "An Evening with Dr. Melba Pattillo Beals," Oct. 7; "Ha! Ha! Hartford!," Oct. 8, Jan. 21 and March 11; **Pilobolus**, Oct. 22 and Oct. 23.

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Oktoberfest coming Sept. 25

The annual German American Club Oktoberfest, a tradition of the Bristol Mum Festival, will be held on Saturday, Sept. 25 from 3 to 9 p.m. at the Bristol German American Club on Barlow Street.

It's \$5 to get in. There will be music and dancing. You buy your German beer and food.

Call (203)888-5976 for tables.



A scene from the Bristol Oktoberfest.

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