



Katrina Clark

Executive Director, Fair Haven Community Health Center

Katrina Clark is a healer, a community builder, and a connector. She has been a leader at the Fair Haven Community Health Center for 33 of its 35 years, taking it to ever new heights of excellence as it cares for a growing and diverse community. Under her nurturing guidance, the center now cares for more than 13,000 patients a year, with a staff of more than 130 working from its main campus of three restored and connected Victorian houses on Grand Avenue, a satellite clinic at Bella Vista, and five school-based health clinics.

Throughout her tenure at Fair Haven, Katrina has maintained and grown ties with her alma mater. A 1971 alumna of the Yale University School of Public Health, Katrina has served as a mentor, advisor, and preceptor to scores of Yale University public health, medical, and nursing students. Her door has always been open to students, faculty, and staff who are eager to learn how their talents and energies can be most effectively deployed to help real people in real ways.

The Hippocratic Oath reminds health care professionals to first, do no harm. The Clark oath, spoken quietly yet consistently, follows on with the reminder to then do lots and lots of good.

Katrina has said of her beloved New Haven that it is “a wonderful city...when you make some changes, you really feel you are a making a difference.” Today we declare that we not only feel that Katrina Clark has made a difference, we know it and we are all inspired to do more ourselves because of her example.

In recognition of the dynamic and dedicated leadership she has provided to nurture generations of caring in Fair Haven, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Katrina Clark with an Elm Award.

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Sergeant Anthony Duff

Dixwell District Manager, New Haven Department of Police Service

Roosevelt Thompson. William Jefferson Clinton. Anthony Duff. All three young men who came to Yale University from Arkansas in search of their dreams and committed to lives of public and community service.

While others may get more media attention, no razorback has made more of a difference in the daily lives of New Haven residents living in Dixwell today than Sergeant Anthony Duff, who has become a true and beloved New Havener. Like a more famous Arkansan, Tony met his wife in New Haven. Since their marriage at Bethel AME Church on Goffe Street, he and Miya, a New Haven school teacher, have made a beautiful family and made a lasting impact.

A believer in communication and customer service, Tony was a station manager at WYBC during his college years and worked after graduation at a manager at Cobden's and Campus Customs. A decade ago, he decided to pursue a career in community policing and joined the New Haven police. His success in Dixwell has many measures: a low crime rate, an active management team, and a spirit of collaboration and teamwork that has become an inspiration for other district managers and neighborhoods.

Sergeant Duff has built especially strong ties with Yale University, working closely with the Yale University Police and providing constant assistance to the Dixwell-Yale University Community Learning Center. He has shown through his living and his leadership that New Haven and Yale University are part of one community and that we all thrive when we all work together. In recognition of his success, his service, and the inspiration he provides both to Dixwell residents and the alumni and students of his alma mater, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Sergeant Anthony Duff with an Elm Award.

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Rafael Ramos

Bregamos Community Theater Company

New Haven has been, from its original settling, a place where dreamers became doers and where people came from far distances to create and build community. Rafael Ramos embodies and extends that founding legacy. He is a transplanted visionary who has put down deep roots and made his creative dreams a reality that excites, challenges, enlivens, and unites us all.

Growing up the grandson of a building superintendent in the Bronx, it is not so surprising that Rafael has grown up to become the deputy director of housing code enforcement in the City of New Haven. His work in that capacity alone merits recognition, for he has been tireless in working to improve the safe and sanitary conditions for New Haveners across the city.

But today we celebrate the wonderful fact that in New Haven, a housing code inspector with a vision can also create theater companies that make a difference. His Bregamos Community Theater is dedicated to creating theater out of real life stories in our community. In a few short years it has become widely-recognized around town, creating not only cultural buzz but also informing civic debates about the roots and realities of violence and the hopes and aspirations of young people. In building his company, Rafael has reached out and included Yale University as a partner. Bregamos' most recent show, *Kingdom*, demonstrates his success in uniting the many facets of our town, with a creative team that included a graduate of Hillhouse High School, a student in the New Haven Job Corps, and a Yale College senior, among others.

The spirit and practice of collaboration is present in all Rafael does, including his service in reviving Junta for Progressive Action, where he helped bring Yale University faculty, staff, and students to support the magnificent revival of Junta as an effective community nonprofit. In recognition of the inspiration he shows by making dreams real and bringing community together, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Rafael Ramos with an Elm Award.

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Shirley Neighbors

Teacher, Hill Regional Career High School

Shirley Neighbors is a great neighbor – and a great teacher. She has been teaching biology in the New Haven Public Schools for 37 years, first at Lee High School and now at the Hill Regional Career High School, where she was a founding staff member. She is a teacher who both demands excellence from her students and holds herself to the same high standard. She is tireless in looking for every resource and opportunity that will help her students succeed.

More than a decade ago, she sought out an internship with Professor William Stewart, professor of anatomy in the Yale University School of Medicine. After a summer of work and conversation she and Dr. Stewart agreed that human anatomy was a subject that could be of great importance to high school students and they crafted the Anatomy Teaching Program now celebrating its 13th year.

This collaborative program, with Yale University medical students and faculty sharing their time and resources with New Haven high school teachers and students, became a cornerstone for the vibrant and comprehensive partnership that Yale University now enjoys with Hill Regional High School. The effort Shirley started with Bill Stewart has inspired others at Career and at Yale University to find ways that they can unite the resources of a high school with a research university to create a common community of learners that benefits all.

Former Yale University President A. Bartlett Giamatti once said, “A liberal education is at the heart of a civil society, and at the heart of a liberal education is the act of teaching.” Shirley Neighbors has been a sustaining heart of Hill Regional Career High School and of its collaborations with Yale University. In recognition of how she proves that good neighbors can be great teachers and great partners, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Shirley Neighbors with an Elm Award.

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Jennifer McTiernan H.

Founder and Executive Director, CitySeed

Jennifer McTiernan is living proof that big dreams, unswerving determination, and teamwork can nurture a small seed into a giant CitySeed that feeds the bodies and souls of thousands.

While working at the Yale Undergraduate Admissions Office, Jennifer took a break to work as an intern under Alice Waters in Berkeley, California. She returned to New Haven with a big vision and set about founding CitySeed, whose mission is *to engage the community in growing an equitable, local food system that promotes economic development, community development and sustainable agriculture.*

Starting with one market operating on Saturdays beginning in June 2004, CitySeed has grown into a network of markets in Wooster Square, Fair Haven, Westville, and Downtown, and an ever-growing network of vendors and providers, including the Yale Sustainable Food Project. In 2006, the economic impact of the market was \$1.3 million, up 30% from the previous year.

CitySeed makes sure that it is accessible to all members of the community, with purchases by patrons using WIC coupons and food stamps growing from year to year.

As Mayor DeStefano has noted, Jennifer and her CitySeed have done much more than just bring delicious, organic, and locally produced food to New Haven neighborhoods. "It's been a catalyst to start neighbors talking, which frankly ties people together."

In recognition of how she has helped build and sustain community, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Jennifer McTiernan with an Elm Award.



Wayne McCrae

General Services Assistant, Yale University Commons

Wayne McCrae may have had the shortest trip to this luncheon awards ceremony, as he is a dedicated staff member in Yale University Dining Services at the Commons – but he certainly is helping New Haven young people travel far through the soap box derby program he has initiated.

A long-time civic activist, Wayne is dedicated to his Hill neighborhood through service on the Hill North Management Team and to the broader community through his service on the board of directors of Empower New Haven.

In 2006, he established a soap box derby program, working closely with the Dixwell-Yale University community Learning Center. It now includes more than 70 youth participants from the Hill and Dixwell who learn team-building skills, practice goal-oriented behavior, and have an enormous amount of fun. The program continues to expand and reach more young people and neighborhoods.

In recognition of his devoted service as a community volunteer on the management team and his hard work to build a successful summer and after-school program for neighborhood youth, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Wayne McCrae with an Ivy Award.



Harlon Dalton

Professor of Law and adjunct Professor of Divinity

One of the classes that Professor Harlon Dalton has taught in the Yale University Law School is entitled, "Law and Human Flourishing." In the classroom he may be a professor of human flourishing. In the community, he is a practitioner of it.

You will not find his name in many headlines but his impact and imprint are all around. The author of the important book, "Racial Healing: Confronting the Fear Between Blacks and Whites", Harlon has happily inspired and helpfully provoked people to see our differences as causes for celebration, not domination. He not only talks the talk – he walks the walk and sings the song, having been a leader in the multi-racial Salt and Pepper community choir and in his service at the Episcopal Church of Saint Paul and Saint James.

For more than two decades, Harlon has been involved in community organizing and academic research to confront the health and social consequences of HIV/AIDS, as a teacher, author, and activist. His service includes leadership in AIDS Interfaith Network in the community and the Yale Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS.

More recently, Professor Dalton has joined the faculty of the Yale Divinity School, exploring ways in which the school furthers its work in preparing students for negotiating the complex relationships at the intersection of Christianity, politics, and social justice.

In recognition of his service as a teacher and a practitioner who has promoted human flourishing and community healing, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Harlon Dalton with an Ivy Award.

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Lois Sadler

*Associate Professor of Nursing and Child Study Center and
Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs, Yale University School of Nursing*

Dr. Lois Sadler is a pediatric nurse practitioner and teaches masters and doctoral nursing students, as well as students in public health and divinity, in the areas of family studies, child development, pediatric health promotion, research, and adolescent health.

Since 1979, Dr. Sadler has worked with teen parents in New Haven and has also taught parent education classes to student-parents enrolled in the Polly T. McCabe Center, a transitional school for pregnant students in grades eight through twelve in the New Haven Public School district. Her research and clinical scholarship has led to documented and published improvements in both quality of life and long term health outcomes for vulnerable teens and young families in New Haven and beyond.

Dr. Sadler's research has focused on pregnancy prevention in adolescents, care of teen parents and their families, and interventions for improving outcomes in high risk and vulnerable young families in collaboration with the Elizabeth Celotto Child Care Center at Wilbur Cross High School. Her findings support the notion that a high-school-based infant and toddler child care center with a teen parent support program increases the chances of teen mothers doing much better throughout their lives.

Through her research and clinical work with both pregnancy prevention and parent education for adolescent mothers, Dr. Sadler has made key contributions to improve the health and quality of life for young families in New Haven. In recognition of the lasting impact she has made in improving the health outcomes and life opportunities of so many in our community, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Lois Sadler with an Elm Award.

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Diana Mosca

Ezra Stiles College, 2008

A Psychology major with a focus on early education and teacher preparation, Diana Mosca has not been content to learn about education policy solely in the classroom and has instead worked extensively in the public schools. She has tremendous focus, a strong work ethic, and tremendous energy, and is known among her friends as being an effective ambassador for the Elm City.

Diana has been assistant to the Director of Public School Partnerships, a Dwight Hall Executive Committee member, both a Community Health Educator and the co-coordinator of this group, a teacher's assistant at Calvin Hill Day Care Center, and the recent recipient of a President's Public Service Fellowship. Her efforts in the New Haven community have been both inspiring to her peers and rewarding for her and the organizations with which she has worked. She has written a grant for a local nonprofit, organized the Community Health Educators' middle school curriculum, led a workshop and held the attention of 48 New Haven High School Students on a hot summer night, and has maintained vibrant and diverse friendships all at the same time.

In a college marked by driven students pursuing many things at once, Diana stands out as one of the most balanced – mixing humility with vitality and being easy to work with.

In recognition of her three years of service with New Haven so far and of the promise of her future potential, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present Diana Mosca with an Undergraduate Ivy Award.

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**HAVEN Free Clinic: Karen Archabald, Ryan Hebert, Christopher Janson, Andrew Simpson,
Mallika Mendu, Margaret Samuels-Kalow, Rachel Solomon, Sara Crager**

Students in the Yale University School of Medicine

In 2003, four medical students approached the administration with the idea of starting a student-run free clinic to provide care for patients in need of care because of lack of entitlements, lack of documentation, or lack of knowledge about how to apply for entitlements. After these students researched successful free clinics run by other medical schools, put together a business plan, and arranged with the Fair Haven Community Health center to house the free clinic on Saturday mornings, the administration agreed to support the clinic with funds to pay Fair Haven physicians to be medical directors. The students then applied for grant support from pharmacies for medications and got donations of laboratory tests and radiological studies. Physicians from Yale and the community donated their time to precept students on Saturday mornings as did nursing and physician associates faculty.

The doors of HAVEN Free Clinic opened in late 2005 and in the months since, medical, nursing and PA students have seen 152 patients in over 474 visits. The patients are all residents of the Fair Haven section of New Haven and are largely undocumented and Spanish speaking. In addition to providing a wide range of primary health care services, the students have provided social support and health education.

In recognition of their focused and successful work to design and implement this successful partnership between Yale University and the community to meet the primary health care needs of a population lacking resources, President Levin and Alderman Goldfield will now present the HAVEN Free Clinic with a Graduate Ivy Award.

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