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Day of Fun for Local Students

Hartford and D.E.E.P. Teach and Let Local Kids Stock Fish in Keney Park Pond

Hartford - (Inquiring News - 4/18/13) - On a beautiful Thursday morning, Pre-schoolers from Heritage Early Learning Center joined the DEEP staff, parents and volunteers as well as Mayor Segarra and Kevin Burnham of DPW, to stock trout at Keney Park Pond, on Edgewood Street in Hartford. Over 100 local students, ages 3-5, gathered fresh fish stock and placed them into the pond. Mayor Segarra said "we are making great strides in making over our parks. Our parks are our Jewels. We want residents to take greater pride in our parks, so they can be a place like days passed where family and their kids can enjoy what is their." Public works Director Kevin Burnham stated, "We are placing green trash containers and urge people to place rubbish in them, to help keep our city clean. It takes all of us to make for a better, cleaner city."

Doris Johnson who works for DEEP, helps coordinate the annual program, with local schools was very excited to see the kids excited to learn and handle the fish. "I'm happy we get to provide lessons about the wild life and the hands on marine knowledge we teach the kids. It's a pleasure to be involved in these type of programs, said Johnson."

Photo: Little Omarion pictured here stated "I like fish. I'm not scared. I picked one up and put it in the water." Omarion mother hopes to bring her kids to the park more often and let them fish. Story-Photo by Reggie Hales

