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Murphy hospitalized after stroke

Senator treated at Johns Hopkins after feeling numbness; doctors 'optimistic' for full recovery

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U.S. Sen. Chris Murphy, D-Conn., 53, was hospitalized Saturday after suffering a stroke, according to his chief of staff.

"Yesterday afternoon, Senator Murphy started experiencing numbness in his arm while at his son's hockey game," Allison Herwitt, chief of staff, said Sunday. "He was taken to a local hospital, where it was discovered he had experienced a stroke."


Murphy

"He was transferred to Johns Hopkins for further monitoring and is responding well to treatment," Herwitt said. "The doctors are encouraged by his progress, he is awake and alert, and we are optimistic he will make a full recovery."

Shortly after the news became public, politicians from both sides of the aisle reached out to give their support and well wishes.

"Just two days ago," Gov. Ned Lamont said, "I was with Senator Chris Murphy doing what he loves most: encouraging Connecticut residents to make their voices heard and vote on Tuesday. There is no stronger advocate for our democracy, and no one who fights harder for the people of this state.

"Chris is a great friend to Connecticut and to me personally," Lamont said, "and Annie and I are keeping him and his family in our prayers. I am sure that he will be walking across the state again very soon, and we will all

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Catherine Albrecht, of Fairfield, votes during early voting in Fairfield on Oct. 21.

Nearly 500,000 have already cast ballots

Almost 200,000 Democrats voted early in CT vs. about 81,600 Republicans

By Dan Brechlin
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Nearly 500,000 people in Connecticut cast their ballots prior to Election Day, according to data from the secretary of the state. The total makes up a combination of early voting ballots already cast and absentee ballots returned.

The governor's race between incumbent Democrat Ned Lamont and Republican state Sen. Ryan Fazio, R-Greenwich, is at the top of the ballot this year, along with every constitutional officer,

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Stephen Omasta, of Danbury, votes at Danbury High School during the state primary on Aug. 11.

What voters need to know for Election Day

By Jordan Nathaniel Fenster
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Connecticut voters head to the polls Tuesday to choose the state's next governor, members of Congress and the state legislature, as well as some local officials and the other constitutional officers. Many towns will also have local questions on the ballot.

Here's what to know before you go.

When are polls open?

Polling places will be open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Anyone in

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- Police: Connecticut lawmaker charged after AirTag tracks stolen campaign signs to her property. **A4**

Online:

- Use the QR code to see our online voter guide listing candidates running for local, state and federal races in CT.

Utilities' AI safeguards face scrutiny

By Jordan Nathaniel Fenster
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Artificial intelligence is moving into the computer networks that help operate and protect the nation's electric grid, and federal energy regulators are warning that the technology could create new pathways for hackers to reach systems critical to keeping the power on.

The warning came last week from the Federal Energy Regula-

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The ASL Luna cargo ship docked at New Haven Terminal on Feb. 28, 2022.

Oil reserves tapped amid uncertainty

By Jordan Nathaniel Fenster
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The federal government is offering fuel wholesalers a chance to buy home heating oil from its Northeast reserve this fall, saying the move could help address supply disruptions and higher costs.

But a Connecticut industry representative noted that the fuel must be paid back with interest before the end of the season, making it unlikely to lower what

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Disparities affect breast cancer cases

By Cris Villalonga-Vivoni
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More than 310,000 people in the United States are expected to be diagnosed with breast cancer in 2026, including an estimated 3,940 in Connecticut, according to the American Cancer Society.

Connecticut had the nation's

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