

WHY DO WE DO CANDIDATE DEBATES?



This year on 10/23/2017, Midstate Chamber of Commerce, Meriden Children First Initiative and the Record Journal Publishing Company are hosting a Mayoral and City Council Candidate Debate at Washington Middle School, 1225 North Broad St., Meriden, CT. The sponsors will have a series of prepared questions for the candidates. This event is FREE and OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. ALL are welcomed to attend.

Some have asked me why this Chamber takes such a leader-

ship role in producing candidate debates? Simply stated, we want the community to know as much as possible about the candidates long before they get elected. We want to ask specific questions of the candidates to gauge their positions and their general understanding of how business works. We want the candidates to know what the business community expects of them once elected. And we want them to know our legislative priorities.

We strive to provide equal access to all candidates and encourage them to come out to Chamber events where we will recognize them. And finally, when they are elected we pledge to work with all of them on the concerns and issues that are important to business and the community.

The program will be videotaped and available for later viewing via the internet. We are very excited to be partnering with the Middlesex Community College Film Club.

I encourage all of our members and their employees to join us on October 23rd to see first-hand how democracy works.



The Chamber's Health and Wellness Council is presenting their annual Health Wellness and Safety Expo at Westfield Meriden mall from 11:00 until 3:00 p.m. on October 9, 2017. With the area schools being closed, we are anticipating additional traffic from people of all ages. This program is co-presented by Higher Movement, Elim Park, 105.9 The Whale, Hunter's Ambulance and TDBank.

The event kicks off at 11:00 with demos, the Public Safety Award program is at noon and demonstrations will continue throughout the day. This could be the day you get your annual FluBlok flu shot too!

If you can, do find some time to stop by and visit with the 20+ chamber member exhibitors...and also get a chance to visit with our resident chamber members at 470 Lewis Avenue like AT&T, Boscov's, H&R Block, Macy's Backstage, Meriden Family Dental and Ramani's Clothiers!



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WE HAVE MOVED!

Please Update Your Records with our New Address:

546 South Broad St., 2C Meriden, CT 06450

See you there.

LOTS OF WHAT WE DO FOR MEMBERS IS LINKING YOU ... to resources, services, support, and fellow members. Here are some EASY LINKS to the Midstate Chamber to "always keep you in the loop": NEWS: http://www.midstatechamber.com/News RESOURCES: http://www.midstatechamber.com/Resources DIRECTORY: http://www.midstatechamber.com/Directory



New Beginnings! We have moved into our new office at 564 South Broad St. – 2C, on the Meriden / Wallingford line. Thank you to Little John's Movers for helping to move us into our new home. A few boxes still need to be unpacked but business is moving forward around the boxes. We have already had several meetings in our new board room. Thank you: Sean, Rosanne and Darlene

for all your work to make it a smooth transition. A&A Office Systems, Inc. The Chamber spent many years downtown and moving was not an easy decision. We knew this new location could help us serve our members of Meriden, Wallingford and Cheshire better.



Chairman of the Board Midstate Chamber of Commerce

We soon will be adding a satellite office in downtown Meriden to serve our downtown district. Recently I attended the Record Journal & YMCA 150th Anniversary at the Meriden Green downtown. It was very exciting to see all the residents that came out to celebrate. The park was packed with folks of all ages. It was nice to see families out enjoying the festivities and concerts. Braiden Sunshine (with Meriden ties) showed the crowd why he was such an outstanding competitor on the Voice. The headlining performance was Michael DelGuidice and Big Shot who rocked the crowd with some of Billy loel's greatest hits. We have been talking for years on what Meriden's downtown could be. It is nice to see that Meriden is changing and coming back!! If you haven't visited the green, plan to soon and take a walk with the family and visit one of our eateries downtown - the newest in the area is Banana Brazil Grill & Restaurant (124 Hanover St.) – and their Ribbon Cutting is Thursday, October 5. October touts another busy month of programming. Wellness Walks at the Green every Thursday morning at 8 am. The Health, Wellness & Saftey Showcase is back at Westfield Meriden (mall) on Monday, the 9th. Don't miss the Breakfast Club on the 18th with Central CT State University President, Zulma Toro Bring the kids and family out to the Business After Hours at the YMCA Exploration Station on the 18th. . These are just a few October programs – yes, there are more! Scroll through the newsletter and keep your eyes open for your e-minders. Lastly, and more exciting news: the Midstate Chamber Comedy night returns November 10th. This year's Comedy night will be held in Rosary Hall at St. Joseph Church. Tickets will be available soon. Stay tuned for more information.

See you at the next event! - Rich

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

YES, we have moved to 546 So. **Broad Street!**

As of 10/01/2017, the move is completed and the offices of the Midstate Chamber we are officially located at 546 So. Broad

Street, Suite 2C, in the Birchwood office building. We are on the Meriden / Wallingford town line, just south of Chamber Member Record-Journal, across from Townline Plaza with Chamber members Red Owl Jewelry and Gifts, Edge Fitness, Connex CU and Jersey Mike's, and just north of Crazy Ice Tai Ice Cream and II Monticello...and many other members in the neighborhood!

The phones are up, network is stable and the internet is working great...including secured wifi for our office visitors and guest presenters. Please note that all email and phone contacts will remain the same.

This move really positions the chamber for solid growth over the next five years and beyond. Be on the lookout for a November / December open house celebration!





Questions? Here's How to Reach Us...

This issue of Chamber News is a member service of the Midstate Chamber of Commerce, Inc. with offices located at 3 Colony St., Suite 301, Meriden, CT 06451. You can also visit us on line at www.midstatechamber.com. Ph: 203.235.7901 Fx: 203.686.0172 info@midstatechamber. com. We welcome Chamber member and community news, events and other articles of interest from our diverse membership base. The Midstate Chamber of Commerce serves its member businesses in Meriden, Wallingford, Southington, Berlin, Cheshire and Middletown, Connecticut. We invite all businesses to join with us and become members of our chamber.

Séan W. Moore

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These rates are PER event. Any Business Interested in Sponsoring more than one – or as a series – may contact the Chamber so that we may create a special package that suits your needs and budget! Select breakfast events are taped for airing on Public Access Television and on the Midstate Chamber website.

3 Colony St., Suite 301, Meriden, CT 06451 Ph: 203-235-7901 Fx: 203-686-0172 info@midstatechamber.com www.midstatechamber.com







Wed., October 18th

5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Exploration Station 6 South Grove St., Meriden

Everyone is welcome to attend this **Fun Family Event** as the Meriden YMCA introduces their NEW Exploration Station! Bring the children and whole family as you view this kid friendly building which has been completely transformed into a children's play area. This venue is used by the Meriden YMCA child care programs and members including free play time for their member families on Friday nights as well as for birthday parties and group outings by local programs.

To learn more visit www.meridenymca.org or call them at 203.235.6386.



Refreshments, Door Prizes, and more!

Enjoy Networking,

Please RSVP to this event by calling the Chamber: 203-235-7901, e-mailing: info@midstatechamber.com, or visit www.midstatechamber.com

This Business After Hours event is in association with the Midstate Chamber of Commerce to showcase the sponsoring member and to offer both members and members-to-be the opportunity to network and enjoy a wonderful evening.



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1801 Berlin Turnpike Berlin, CT 06037 Tuesday October, 24th 2017 5:30PM Registration

6:00PM Shotgun Start

Registration

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\$30 per player or \$100 per foursome

Proceeds to benefit the YBL Dan M. Hunter Community Service Education Award and Boys & Girls Club of Meriden

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MEMBER RENEWALS...

We recognize and thank our members who have joined or renewed their investment in the Midstate Chamber within the last month. Visit www.midstatechamber.com for the most up-to-date listing of members in good standing!

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Members Use Members!

AND, BE SURE TO **TELL** THEM YOU ARE A FELLOW MEMBER!



We are delighted to introduce our new members the lifeblood of our organization and the reason we exist. Please welcome them by visiting their website, sending them an email or stopping by to introduce yourself. The personal touch will help our chamber continue to grow and thrive as we continue on our goal to reach 650 members in the coming months!

A membership application is enclosed - SHARE it with a friend ... don't keep us a secret!

Computer Management Services/CMS: 55-1 Plains Rd., Essex, CT 06426. The phone number is 860.399.4215 and the fax number is 860.399.5894. Bob Hill is the primary contact. CMS helps companies create organizational excellence by reducing costs, increasing profitability, providing the knowledge needed to achieve business objectives. Consulting experience encompasses Accounting, Distribution, Manufacturing & a Sage 100 partner.

Hair Cuttery: 496 S. Broad St., Meriden, CT 06450. the phone number is 203.686.0770. Amanda Bruder is the primary contact. Hair Cuttery is a full-service, value-priced salon offering cuts, styling, coloring, waxing and texturizing services with no appointment necessary, as well as a full line of professional hair care products.

Regency House of Wallingford, Inc.: 181 E. Main St., Wallingford, CT 06492. The phone number is 203.265.1661, and the fax number is 203.265.7842. David Bond is the primary contact. Regency House of Wallingford, Inc.'s goal is to meet the ever changing healthcare needs of the communities they serve by providing a comprehensive array of specialized services and programs which include clinical care, physical, occupational and speech therapies, and social services and recreational therapies in a warm, healing environment.

Crest Educational: 60 Church St., 4L, Wallingford, CT 06492. The phone number is 2033678.0418. Camila Gabriel is the primary contact. Crest Educational is a tutor center for students in kindergarden and above with tutoring in math, reading, science, history, writing, Spanish and more.

Don't Keep Us a Secret: Kindly SHARE the enclosed membership application with your friends in business & invite them to join US *or* attend an event with you!



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UPCOMING OCTOBER EVENTS:

Mark your calendars, iPhones, Droids, etc. with these event dates. 1 = Chamber or Business event; = Community event. More details and RSVP information for these events may be found on www.midstatechamber.com! Chamber event RSVP line: 203.235.7901



This QR code in the upper right corner also brings you right out to our business and community calendars.

This is a SHORT LIST of some of our KEY events – for MORE business and community events including Chamber Committee meetings - details & updates visit...www.midstatechamber.com/Calendar

HELP us **GROW:** INvite Your Biz Neighbors to JOIN! Earn Chamber BUCK% for you & your biz. 203.235.7901

🟴 Fri, Oct 6, 6:00 pm: CWI2 9th Annual Fund Raiser & Class of 2017 Recognition at Augusta Curtis Cultural Center Sat, Oct 7 CELEBRATE Wallingford runs through Sun Oct 8: http://www.celebratewallingford.com/celebrate-wallingford-ct.php Mon, Oct 9, 11:00 am: 2017 Health, Wellness, & Safety SHOWCASE at Westfield Meriden Mall. See enclosed flyer. Thu, Oct 12, 9:00 am: SCORE - Counseling Sessions for Businesses at the NEW Midstate Chamber of Commerce Office. Thu, Oct 12, 6:00 pm: After Hurricane Maria: Unity & Solutions - Puerto Rico's Recovery at Community Health Center, Meriden Fri, Oct 13, 6:30 pm: Halloween Spooktacular Dinner Dance at The Farms Country Club with the Hamden Chamber. M Sat, Oct 14, 3:00 pm: Financial Workshop: Retirement by Design at Meriden Public Library: Bill Passarelli, Edward Jones Sat, Oct 14, 6:00 pm: Red Moon Gala: Building a Legacy at Middlesex Community College 📁 Mon, Oct 16, 4:00 pm: CAAP Forum: Opioid Epidemic in CT: Prevention & Early Intervention Strategies at the Offices of Darlene Dailey LADC, ICCDP, 210 State St., Meriden. Tue, Oct 17, 4:00 pm: Meriden Rising - The Silver City Reclaims its Luster at Silver City Ballroom. Please RSVP to the Chamber. Wed, Oct 18, 7:30 am: Chamber Breakfast Club Celebrates Hispanic Heritage with CCSU President Toro at II Monticello. Wed, Oct 18, 5:00 pm: Biz After Hours: Meriden YMCA Exploration Station, 6 S. Grove St., Meriden.Bring the fam! Thu, Oct 19, 5:30 pm: Ribbon Cutting at O.H. Platt High School, 220 Coe Ave., Meriden. 📕 Sat, Oct 21, 7:00 pm: Opening Night: Bridgeport Sound Tigers held at Webster Bank Arena Mon, Oct 23, 5:00 pm: Meriden City Council / Mayoral Candidate Debate / Forum at Washington Middle School. See flyer. Tue, Oct 24, 5:30 pm: 9th Annual Miniature Golf Tourney Benefits Young Business Leaders Dan M. Hunter Community

Service Award & Meriden Boys & Girls Club held at Putter's Paradise - see flyer!

Fu, Oct 26, 5:30 pm:Chrysalis Domestic Violence Services 40th Anniversary Celebration, II Monticello, 577 S. Broad St., Meriden

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COMMITTEE CONNECTION

A LOT of work happens at the committee level here at the Midstate Chamber. We do encourage your involvement and that of your employees on any committee! ALL committee meeting dates and times are listed on the Midstate Chamber's website. Come on out and sit in on a meeting to try it - you will like it: the experience, sharing, connections and more!



Your participation helps YOU, helps YOUR BUSINESS and helps OUR CHAMBER! Questions? Call us at: 203.235.7901

BREAKFAST CLUB TV - The Chamber's Breakfast program is NOW AIRING on Cox Public Access #15 - Frontier: #99 on Mondays at 9:00 p.m. Check the chamber website for details and get your popcorn ready!











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MEMBER UPDATES



This QR code in the upper right corner also brings you right out to our member news section of the website where you can view FULL news articles by submission date OR by member. Just SCAN and CLICK!

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http://www.midstatechamber.com/News

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MEDIA THAT MOVES YOUR BUSINESS FORWARD >>

Casa Di Roma Pizzeria Restaurant, 103 Main Street, South Meriden, CT is now serving beer and wine. So, stop in soon to enjoy the cozy atmosphere and their mouth-watering food. There's something for everyone, including pizza, Italian dishes, seafood and specials. 203-235-0905.

Celebrity Nurses Homecare - Licensed homecare company providing companions and homemakers (HCA0001134). We are available 24 /7 If you or your loved one needs home care services. We also provide training in CPR - BLS; CNA; HHA. Contact Michael at 203-440-9744.

CMS | Computer Management Services - Open House - We're celebrating our new location. Please plan to join us to tour our new offices and enjoy seasonal Oktoberfest food and beverages. The special event will be on *Thursday, October 5, 2017* from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM EDT; CMS | Computer Management Office; 55-1 Plains Road, Essex, CT 06426.

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Higher Movement, LLC - Meet our contemporary instructor, Miss Chloie. Chloie has been dancing since she was 9 at her studio in Wallingford, CT, along with Miss Kirby. She also attended the Educational Center for the Arts (ECA) for four years throughout high school. Her love for contemporary started her junior year of high school when she joined her studio's competition team. Since graduating high school Chloie has continued her dance training by attending classes, conventions and more. Chloie is excited to share her love of dance with her students and continue to grow alongside them. This year she will be teaching contemporary technique as well as our contemporary 1, 2 & 3 classes. Interested in contemporary but want to try out a class first?! Contact us to setup a free trial class: 203-235-2630 or highermovementdance@ gmail.com. We certainly missed our weekly CIZE class over the summer and can not wait for it to begin again. This coming Wednesday, September 6th at 6 pm, our CIZE class is returning. If you plan to attend please send us an email the day of the class: highermovementdance@gmail.com. CIZE is a fun, energetic workout where you learn a full dance in just one hour! If you have not tried this class now is your chance. No prior dance experience is required! On Saturday, September 23rd some of our students and staff performed at Citi Field before the Mets game. This was a great opportunity for all of our dancers and it was so excited to be a part of it this year.











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Miss Chloie







Meet The Board of Directors



Cornelius J. Ivers is Chairman of the Board of the Meriden Housing Authority. "Neil" has a B. A. Degree from Western Connecticut State University and a Juris Doctor Degree from John Marshall Law School in Chicago, Illinois. Neil joined the Chamber to join in the common cause with other Chamber members to improve Meriden. He has met some great, creative people and is very interested in the Meriden Downtown Transit Committee. He enjoys attending the Chamber's Annual Meeting. Neil likes to read and golf. He resides in Meriden with his wife, Abby

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Meriden Historical Society

will be hosting an open house at the Andrews Homestead for the month of October entitled "Communications Before the Digital Age".



This special exhibit will feature the not-so-long-ago equivalents of e-mail, word processing, printing, messaging, voice communication, social media, search engines and more. The permanent exhibits at the Andrews Homestead will also be available for viewing during this exhibit. This special exhibit will be available every Sunday in October and Saturday, October 14th and Saturday, October 28th from I lam to 3pm. The Andrews Homestead is located at 424 W. Main St., Meriden. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your stories. For more information, contact Ruth Borsuk at 203.464.2751. The "digital age", also called the "information age", is defined as the time period starting in the 1970s with the introduction of the personal computer with subsequent technology introduced providing the ability to transfer information freely and quickly. The Public is invited to view items and images of the way we used to communicate before the Internet and personal computers made their way into our lives.



Training for Certified Nurse Assistant through their Open DOHR Employment Training Program. Classes are from November 1st through December 1! munity College in Middletown OF

Women and Families Center is

offering free Certificate Program



vember 1st through December 15th at Middlesex Community College in Middletown OR October 2nd through October 26th at Gateway Community College in New Haven. For enrollment information, call 203.235.9297 ext. 128. Please apply in person at 169 Colony St., Meriden, CT This program is funded through Workforce Alliance.

Workforce Alliance Workforce Today Podcast has created their 10th Episode on retail was our most popular yet, pushing downloads up close to 13,000! As a follow up, we just released Retail 2.0: A Conversation with Walmart. Bill Villano was at the Walmart HQ in Ar-



kansas and talked with Julie Gehrki from the Walmart Foundation. Here's the summary: Walmart's Julie Gehrki talks about training its 2.3 million associates, upward mobility within the company and how customer behavior impacts job roles. You can stream live from the website or you download the episodes and the Workforce Today App from iTunes or Google Play - www.workforcealliance.biz/ team/workforce-today. Easterseals - Your generosity helps Easterseals make dreams come true for many families in our communities. We change the way the world defines and views disabilities by



making profound, positive differences in people's lives every day. Please help us make a difference. Every donation, large or small, is highly valued and greatly appreciated. Please contact: Carolee Kalita, Director of Development; Phone: 203.754.5141 (ext. 243); Fax: 203.757.1198. ckalita@eswct. com; easterseals.com/waterburyct. Since 1958, we have been continuing our tradition of excellence in serving the needs of individuals with disabilities throughout Greater Waterbury, Central and Northwest Connecticut. Below are a few of the programs that we offer in this area:

- Connecticut. Children's Academy (formerly All Kids Child Care) - (NAEYC Accredited) - Providing a high quality School Readiness early childhood education program to enhance a child's cognitive, physical, personal-social, and creative development in partnership with all families and the community. Locations at: 22 Tompkins Street, Waterbury; 128 Avenue of Industry, Waterbury; 125 Broad Street, Meriden.

- Center for Better Hearing - Our highly skilled board certified audiologists provide diagnostic evaluations for all ages. Locations at: 22 Tompkins Street, Waterbury; Heritage Village, Southbury; 158 State Street, Meriden.

- Driver Assessment - Provides thorough driving assessments to individuals who have an injury or impairment that may impact their ability to safely operate a motor vehicle. We provide a clinical assessment, as well as an on the road evaluation. Located at 158 State Street, Meriden.

- Employment & Community Services - School-to-Work Programs, Community Employment Placement, Employment Industries Work Center, Supported Employment, Vocational Assessment & Training, Janitorial Services, ServiceMaster Clean. Located at: 122 Avenue of Industry, Waterbury.

- Medical Rehabilitation Services - A team of licensed, registered healthcare professionals work together to assess and meet the physical and educational needs of each individual with the goal of rehabilitating the whole person. Located at: 158 State Street, Meriden.

- Outreach Programs - Hearing aid and dental care for seniors, Post secondary scholarship fund for students with disabilities, Partnership with The Brass City Harvest Nutrition Program, Partnership with Acts 4 Ministry, Partnership with the Waterbury Homeless Outreach Program. Nina's Café has new hours starting on Monday, August 7th, 2017. The New Hours will be: Monday



through Friday from 7:00 am to 3:30pm & Reopening at 5:30pm; Saturday from 11:00 am to 9:00pm. Nina's new Billiard Hours are: Monday through Friday from 5:30 pm to 10:00pm and Saturday from 11:00 am to 9:00pm. Nina's Café will be closed on Sunday and some holidays. Nina's Café is located at 39 W. Main St., Meriden. For more information, call 203.235.0593. Nina's also provides catering and platters for your next office meeting, office party, small or large lunch party, grand openings, birthday parties, etc. For more information call Wajid at 203.235.0593 or visit www.ninascfe.net.

MidState ARC, Inc. - While the ARC of Meriden-Wallingford celebrated its 65th anniversary as an organization whose staff is busy supporting individuals with disabilities across 27 towns spanning from Milford to New Britain,



it has become clear that they have outgrown their geographically specific name. This summer, the board voted to become MidState Arc. They will soon be launching a new website at midstatearc.org. Their logo and email addresses will be changing too. Everything else will con-tinue along the same path. The history and future of the agency is one of transition. Founded in 1952, they have evolved over the decades with the needs of those they support. As they shift from a care model to a support model, they are poised for further growth and to lead the charge to lower the per-person cost of agencies like theirs while achieving greater independence for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Towns currently served by MidState Arc include: Berlin, Bethany, Cheshire, Cobalt, Cromwell, Durham, East Hampton, East Haven, Hamden, Kensington, Meriden, Middletown, Milford, Naugatuck, New Britain, New Haven, North Haven, Northford, Plainville, Plantsville, Portland, Rockfall, South Meriden, Southington, Wallingford, Watertown, Woodbridge











Presents:



2017 Candidate Forum Monday, October 23rd 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Washington Middle School



Meriden Mayoral and City Council Candidates have been invited to participate in the program.

1225 North Broad Street, Meriden, CT

Candidates running for Meriden Mayor will be participating from 6:35 to 7:05 pm.

The Meriden City Council program will be from approximately 7:10 to 8:30 p.m.

Richard Hanley, Associate Professor of Journalism and Director of the Graduate Program in Journalism at Quinnipiac University, will be returning as moderator.

Please submit your questions to the Chamber's Government and Business Development Committee No later than 10/15/2017 via e-mail to <u>info@midstatechamber.com</u>.

Please RSVP

Company Name: ____

Attendees: _

The Midstate Chamber of Commerce, Inc. 546 South Broad St., Suite 2 C, Meriden, CT 06450 Fax 203-686-0172 or <u>info@midstatechamber.com</u> www.midstatechamber.com



Trifecta Ecosystems is opening the doors to its newest



indoor aquaponics farm at 290 Pratt street in Meriden by announcing its new Community Supported Agriculture

(CSA) program, FreshCSA! The FreshCSA Founder Share program offers the unique opportunity to receive highquality, locally and sustainably grown food. The FreshCSA Founder Share program brings you the freshest local produce, all while supporting your local community. For each week you receive produce, you'll also be donating a weekly share to a local non-profit! As part of Trifecta's mission to create the City that Feeds Itself[™], our farm is dedicated to improving the local community. As a founding member, you can join the mission yourself! To learn more about the FreshCSA program and the mission to create the City that Feeds Itself[™] visit: trifectaecosystems.com/freshcsa/ founders-share.

Ulbrich Boys & Grils Club - AM CARE SERVICES ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE 2017 - 2018 SCHOOL YEAR Transportation will be provided for the following schools in Wallingford: Cook Hill Elementary, Parker Farms Elementary, Dag Hammarskjold Middle School, and James H. Moran Middle School. As of September 1st, 2017 - The Club's Annual Membership Fee will raise from \$75 to \$100. If paid before September 1st, you will only have to pay the \$75 fee. If you are unsure of your child's current membership status, please contact the Club. Registration is needed for the Academic School Year - Even if you already paid the \$75 annual membership fee for your youth to attend the 2017 - 2018 Academic School Year, please fill out the registration form for the program so we know that we can count your child in. Space is limited to 90 Academic School Year registrants.Please note: Registration will now be needed one week in advance for vacation days. Registration for Labor Day (September 4) will be available shortly at a cost of \$5 per family. For more information, please call 203-269-7535, email begreat@ulbrichbgc.org, or visit 72 Grand Street, Wallingford.

The Bridgeport Sound Tigers, proud AHL affiliate of the New York Islanders, are thrilled to reveal one of their most extensive and exciting promotional lineups in team history for the 2017-18 season. Drawing on last year's successes, the Sound Tigers are pleased to bring back several fan favorites as well as new themed



games. The ultra family-friendly calendar is also highlighted by special ticket packages and attractive food and beverage offerings during weeknight and Sunday home games. Plan on coming to more than one theme night? Flex Packs are also on sale now, saving you money and guaranteeing a seat to the biggest games of the season. Call (203) 345-4813 to lock in yours today. Bridgeport kicks off its 17th AHL season on Saturday, Oct. 7 at Binghamton. The Bridgeport Sound Tigers, proud AHL affiliate of the New York Islanders, have announced their 2017-18 regular-season schedule, which features several new matchups including the team's home opener on Saturday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. against the Laval Rocket. In addition, the Sound Tigers are excited to once again boast a family and fan-friendly schedule that places 31 of the team's 38 home games on a weekend date. Bridgeport's home schedule will feature 17 Saturday nights, 12 Sunday afternoons and two Friday night games.. Season tickets and flex plans are on sale now for the 2017-18 campaign, offering the greatest savings and ultimate flexibility of all ticket packages. Pick between a full-season, 20-game, 15-game or 10-game plan and you'll also be entitled to exclusive benefits, including the ticket holder exchange policy, which means any unused tickets can be traded for future games. Seating options are broken down into six different pricing sections, giving you the flexibility to fit Sound Tigers' hockey into any kind of budget. Lock in your seats today and receive two (2) free tickets to the 2017-18 home opener by contacting lim Bataille - your Midstate Chamber contact at 203-345-4812 or e-mail jim. bataille@harboryardse.com. Visit www.soundtigers.com to view whole Sound Tigers website.



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