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May Newsletter



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Save the Date
Celebration of Success

Thursday June 27
5-8 PM

@ Fairview Farm Golf Course
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CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

Display Advertisements

Available to Chamber members. Deadline is the 15th of the month. Submit ad in JPEG or PNG format to info@nwtchamberofcommerce.org.

Cost:
Full page - \$150
1/2 page - \$100
Business card \$50

Member in the Spotlight

Information submitted for inclusion in an upcoming newsletter. Spotlight highlights should include a brief business description and a logo or photo. Deadline is the 15th of the month. Email information to info@nwtchamberofcommerce.org
Cost: Complimentary

CHAMBER EXCHANGE -

MEMBER TO MEMBER

E-MAIL BLAST

The Chamber sends e-mail blasts to all members with special offers and advertisements. These e-mails are sent separately and are specially identified as offers from members. Members are able to place one ad per month. Ads should be submitted in JPEG or PNG format and should be 7" wide x 3-5" high. The fee is \$75 per ad. To schedule your Chamber Exchange ad, contact JoAnn Ryan by phone at 860-482-6586 or by email at info@nwtchamberofcommerce.org

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Display Advertisements are available to Chamber members in the Annual Business & Membership Directory. Information and pricing are available by contacting the Chamber at info@nwtchamberofcommerce.org



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Facility Use Request Form

Company Name: _____
Contact Person: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____ Fax: _____
Email: _____

Member Room Rates: 8 am - 5 pm, \$50 for the 1st hour, \$35 per hour thereafter
5 pm - 10 pm, \$60 for the 1st hour, \$45 per hour thereafter
Non Member Room Rates: 8 am - 5 pm, \$100 for the 1st hour, \$75 per hour thereafter
5 pm - 10 pm, \$125 for the 1st hour, \$100 per hour thereafter

After hours (5 pm - 10 pm) rates also apply to weekend use.
Corporate Partners of the Chamber may utilize the conference rooms at no charge.
Premier Members of the Chamber may utilize the conference rooms at half price.

Date(s) room will be needed: _____

Time(s) including setup & cleanup: _____

Room Requested: Conference Room (Seats up to 28)
 Library (Small meeting room - seats up to 6)

Audio/Visual Equipment Requested:
 Whiteboard Projector Flip Chart

Meeting Description: _____

Number of Attendees Expected: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: If your request is cancelled or rescheduled, please call the Chamber as soon as possible. If any damage occurs to the room, equipment or kitchen, the party that reserved the room will pay to fix or replace damaged property.

PREMIER MEMBERS

Brandywine Living at Litchfield • Commercial Sewing, Inc. • Cook Funeral Home
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Use our updated conference rooms and marketing channels to reach a wider audience. Impress clients and colleagues in our modern facilities and showcase your brand to potential customers with our marketing options. Contact us today to learn more.

**Community Health & Wellness Welcomes
Dental Director DR. Jeffrey Ott, D.D.S.
M.P.H.**

Dr. Ott is an accomplished practitioner of General Dentistry. After several years in private practice, he began his transition toward public health before shifting his dental focus to underserved populations and communities.

Click [HERE](#) for the full news release.



Community Health & Wellness
6-8 East Main St, North Canaan

Open House

Saturday May 11th, 2024
10 AM - 1 PM

Click [HERE](#) for full news release.

Northwest Connecticut Community Foundation Awards \$75,000 Grant to Community Health & Wellness Center

Community Health & Wellness Center announced a generous gift for the launch of its new regional health care center in North Canaan that will offer integrated medical and behavioral health services, aiming to address the pressing crisis in rural healthcare impacting both financially stable families and those less fortunate.

The Health Care Center will open on May 13, 2024.

Click [HERE](#) for full news release.

Northwestern Hosts Forum on Law Enforcement Deflection Models

Thursday, May 2, 2024
10 AM - 2 PM

Founders Hall Auditorium
2 Park Place, Winsted

Free to Attend but MUST REGISTER

Register [HERE](#)





Celebrate our Watershed with HVA is back!

From April 27th to July 10th we're paddling down the Housy, hosting community events and outdoor activities, and bringing people together for great food and drink to celebrate this place we love. Explore and enjoy the Housatonic Valley with us, we'd love to meet you!

Visit hvatoday.org for more information

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Hoarding, The Hidden Disorder

FREE session & FREE lunch Wednesday, May 1, 2024 12-1:15pm

Presented by Matt Stevenson, ServiceMaster Albino and
Andrew Matusiak, Challenging Minds, LLC

Special Guest: Jan Baltrush, Owner Find Your Stuff

Co-Sponsored by The NW CT Chamber of Commerce

Location: Northwest CT Chamber of Commerce
59 Field Street Suite 120 Torrington, CT

RSVP by 4-26-24 Karen@nwctchamberofcommerce.org
or call 860-482-6586



Please join us for this informative lecture to learn about this psychological disorder that is affecting tens of millions of American's health and safety.

Resources will be available regarding how to effectively communicate with an individual suffering with this condition.



The New Corporate Transparency Act: What You Need to Know and Do

On January 1, a new federal law – the Corporate Transparency Act – went into effect, requiring all LLCs and corporations in the U.S. (however small) to file “beneficial ownership reports” with the U.S. Treasury Dept. this year. This program will focus on who needs to file, what information should be disclosed, and what happens if you fail to file.



Date: May 8th, 2024

Time: 9 AM -10:30AM

Location: The NW CT Chamber of Commerce
59 Field St, Suite 120 Torrington, CT 06790

Link for the Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88404159154?pwd=TIFDMFILbjhGQ2hCb0doTmpTZnhpZz09>

What You Will Learn:

- • Why was the Corporate Transparency Act passed?
- • Who needs to file, and when must they file?
- • Who are the “beneficial owners” of your company?
- • Can you file yourself, or should someone help you?
- • Is this a “one time” or yearly filing?
- • What are the penalties if you fail to file on time?



Presented by Gideon Rothschild



Click [HERE](#) to Register



MEET & GREET

MAY 14, 2024
9 AM-10 AM

AT THE NW CT CHAMBER OF COMERCE
59 FIELD STREET, SUITE 120,
TORRINGTON, CT



JOIN US

Attorney General William Tong

860-482-6586 @Nwctchamber

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Charter Oak State College
Graduate Programs
Open House Event

Wednesday
May 8, 2024

5:30PM

Register online at:

<https://www.CharterOak.edu/masters>



5K for 5K

Please help Challenging Minds LLC celebrate 5 years in business by getting active and supporting mental health awareness and treatment.

Help us get to our goal of \$5,000! Challenging Minds LLC will match donations up to \$2,500 and donate all proceeds to Greenwood Counseling Services.

When and Where:

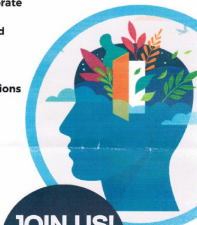
June 23, 2024
11:00a - 2:00p
White Memorial Park
80 Whitehall Rd.

Donate to Participate:

\$10 per person
\$20 per family
Participant Deadline: May 1, 2024

Corporate Sponsorship

\$50 small image on T-shirt (-1.5")
\$100 medium image on T-shirt (-3")
\$250 Large Image on T-shirt (-5")
Sponsors will also be mentioned on social media blasts for the event
Corporate Sponsor Deadline: April 15, 2024



JOIN US!

June 23, 2024
11a to 2p

Registration and more information:





www.challengingminds.net

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Business After Hours at The Mill House Kitchen & Bar




BH
BUSINESS
after
HOURS

NW CT Chamber's premier network building event featuring opportunities to gain new contacts & build your lead base while enjoying delicious hors d'oeuvres & visiting our host's location.

BUSINESS
after HOURS

Thursday
May 16, 2024
5:00-7:00 p.m.

Hosted by



367 Winsted Rd, Torrington


[RSVP ONLINE AT NWCTCHAMBEROFCOMMERCE.ORG/CALENDAR.](https://www.nwctchamberofcommerce.org/calendar)

Click [HERE](#) to Register

HELP SAVE A LIFE

Don't Miss These **FREE** Training Opportunities!

 May 17, 2024

 59 Field St.
Torrington, CT 06790



Attend both training sessions or pick one.



→ QPR GATEKEEPER

Suicide Prevention | 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

QPR stands for Question, Persuade, and Refer — three simple steps anyone can learn to help save a life from suicide. As a QPR-trained Gatekeeper, you'll learn to recognize the warning signs of suicide, how to offer hope, and how to refer someone to resources in the community to help save a life. QPR is a nationally recognized, evidence-based training that grants participants certification considered active for three years.

→ NALOXONE ADMINISTRATION

Overdose Prevention | 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Attendees will receive a FREE naloxone Kit with two 4-ML doses of naloxone.

Topics that will be discussed:

- Overdose prevention strategies
- Signs and symptoms of an overdose
- A brief history of opioid waves
- How to administer naloxone
- Local resources and support
- Current protective legislation



Interested in registering for either or both trainings?
Email Donna Bielefeld at donna.bielefeld@mccallbhn.org



BUSINESS
with
BREAKFAST

Join us at our morning roundtable discussion

BUSINESS *with* BREAKFAST

Enjoy easy networking over a light breakfast. Each attendee will then give a 30-second “commercial” for their business followed by a brief presentation by our host.

Tuesday, May 21, 8:00 a.m.

Hosted by



32 Lake Street, Winsted



[Click HERE to Register](#)

An Evening of "May-hem"
(All in Fun!!!)
May 22, 2024
5-7 PM



@ NW CT Chamber of Commerce
59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington

ENJOY:

Interactive Fun
A Chance to WIN Prizes

Bring a Potential New Member

Refreshments will be served

FREE Admission



[Click HERE to Register](#)



**LEARN
at
LUNCH**

Northwest Connecticut's Chamber of Commerce invites you to join us for a light lunch and learn about

**CANNABIS 101:
MYTH BUSTING, SAFETY & THE LAW
LEARN at LUNCH**

Presented by
Zerrell Stallings,
Higher Collective



WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 2024 • 12:00-1:00 PM
at the NW CT Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington

Lunch Will Be Provided

[RSVP @ www.nwctchamberofcommerce.org/calendar](http://www.nwctchamberofcommerce.org/calendar)

[Click HERE to Register](#)

Mental Health First Aid Training

Thursday, May 30, 2024
8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Northwest CT Chamber of Commerce
59 Field Street, Torrington, CT 06790



Gain the skills to assist someone
experiencing a mental health or
substance use-related crisis.

- A**ssess for risk of suicide or harm.
- L**isten non-judgmentally.
- G**ive reassurance and information.
- E**ncourage appropriate professional help.
- E**ncourage self-help and other support strategies.



For more information, email
Donna Bielefield
donna.bielefield@mccallbhn.org

Scan QR Code
to Register



Chamber Travel

Need a Vacation?

Look no further. Two amazing trips coming up this Fall.



Spain and the Costa Del Sol September 8-16, 2024



Budapest, Vienna, Prague November 7-15, 2024

Click [HERE](#) for More Information

Walk to End Alzheimer's – Central Connecticut

Saturday, June 8, 2024
10 AM - 1 PM

Torrington Middle School
Torrington, CT

Walk Manager: **Jess Tessman**
jessman@alz.org | 860.419.3155

Register Today:
act.alz.org/centralct



For families facing the disease
For more time
For treatments

June 20th Thursday Night Street Fair

Celebrating Erik Estrada
and the "Divine Renovation" Premiere
Main Street, Torrington, CT

4:00 PM—7:00 PM

- ★ Shop from local vendors and craftspeople
- ★ Snack from food trucks and local restaurants
- ★ Visit tables representing area non-profit organizations
- ★ Enjoy fun activities! *Still time to purchase tickets for the show!!*

5:00 PM

Parade celebrating our local "stars" in the filming of "Divine Renovation"

7:00 PM

The street fair concludes, attendees **walk the red carpet!**

7:30 PM

Join the Premiere at The Warner — only ticket-holders will see the show!

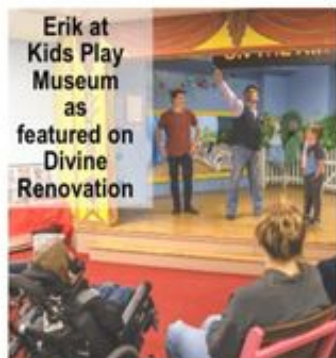
Divine Renovation: Destination, New England

Red Carpet Producer's Cut Premiere

June 20, 2024

7:30 PM

Warner Theatre, Torrington, CT



Buy your tickets to the show!

Tickets start at \$45.00

Kids 12 & under are free!



Interested vendors, craftspeople, restaurants, and food trucks: Please contact Kristy at: klwilliamsbarto@gmail.com

Call the Warner Box Office for Tickets: [860-489-7180](tel:860-489-7180) or visit www.warnertheatre.org/events/divine-renovation-june

Past Events

Annual Meeting & Chamber Hall of Fame

@ Fairview Farm Golf Course
Thursday April 11, 2024

Keynote Speaker: Connecticut Governor Ned Lamont



Congratulations

2024 Chamber Hall of Fame Inductees



Maura Malo



Dr. Michael Rooke

President & CEO
Northwest Community Bank

President
CT State Community College
Northwestern

Business with Breakfast @ The NBT Bank Tuesday April 16, 2024



Small Business Seminar *Business Model Canvas* A NWCC Entrepreneurial Center Event @ NW CT Chamber Wednesday April 17, 2024



Great Business Showcase

@ Little Red Barn Brewers

Thursday April 18, 2024



Young Professionals Organization

April Happy Hour Networking Event

@ The Simsbury Inn's Twig Lounge

Tuesday April 23, 2024



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Upcoming CHAMBER MEETINGS & EVENTS

May 1 - Wow Advisory Committee - 9 AM

May 1 - Learn at Lunch: Hoarding, the Hidden Disorder [Presented by: ServiceMaster Albino and Challenging Minds, Special Guest: Jan Baltrush, *Owner Find Your Stuff*] @ NW CT Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington, 12 - 1:15 PM

May 2 - Membership Committee - 8 AM

May 7 - Small Business Council

May 8 - SCORE Seminar: The New Corporate Transparency Act & Its Requirements [PRESENTED BY: Gideon Rothschild] @ NW CT Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington, 9:00 - 10:30 AM

May 8 - Leads II - 12 PM

May 9 - Government Relations Committee - 8 AM

May 13 - Leads I - 12 PM

May 14 - Meet the Attorney General @ NW CT Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington, 9-10 AM

May 15 - Health Council @ Community Health and Wellness Center, 8 AM

May 16 - Business After Hours @ The Mill House Kitchen & Bar, 367 Winsted Road, Torrington, 5-7 PM

May 17 - QPR Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Training [Presented by: Donna Bielefield, McCall Behavioral Health Network] @ NW Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington, 9-10 AM

May 17 - Naloxone (NARCAN) Administration Overdose Prevention Training [Presented by: Greenwoods Counseling & Referrals] @ NW Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington, 10-11 AM

May 21 - Business with Breakfast @ Little Red Barn Brewers, 32 Lake St, Winsted, 8-9 AM

May 22 - Leads II - 12 PM

May 22 - An Evening of "May-hem" (All in Fun!!!) - Bring a Potential New Member - @ NW Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington, 5-7 PM

May 23 - Board of Directors Meeting- 8 AM

May 27 - Leads I - 12 PM

May 29 - Learn at Lunch: Cannabis 101 - Myth Busting, Safety & The Law [Presented by: Higher Collective] @ NW CT Chamber, 59 Field Street, Suite 120, Torrington, 12 - 1 PM

May 30 - Mental Health First Aid Training [Presented by: Donna Bielefield, McCall Behavioral Health Network] @ NW Chamber, 59 Field St, Suite 120, Torrington, 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

For more Info, see our website calendar of events:

www.nwctchamberofcommerce.org/calendar/

SAVE THE DATE

Jun. 11th --- Business with Breakfast at Higher Collective, Torrington, 8-9 AM

Jun. 26th --- Business After Hours at Main Stream Canoes & Kayaks, New Hartford, 5-7 PM

Jun. 27th --- Celebration of Success at Fairview Farm Golf Course, Harwinton, 5-8 PM

Jul. 17th --- Business After Hours at Dutema Life Institute LLC, Torrington, 5-7 PM

Sept. 19th --- Business After Hours at Manor House Inn, Norfolk, 5-7 PM

Oct. 4th --- 20th Annual WOW! Forum at the Warner Theatre, Torrington, 7:45 AM - 4:30 PM



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