



Farmington Chamber of Commerce



Farmington Chamber Members Give Back

Pictured from the left, Carter Foltz, Farmington Inn manager and Chamber board member, Carol Presutti, Farmington Chamber President and Q Real Estate broker/owner and Richard Bremkamp, Farmington Inn marketing and sales director and Chamber director, welcome fellow Chamber members to the Farmington Inn for the organization's December Business After Hours networking event. In the spirit of the giving season, Chamber members donated more than 100 toys to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation.

Call For Nominations: 43rd Business & Citizen Of The Year

Do you have a colleague or friend that has demonstrated excellence in business and/or civic leadership? The Farmington Chamber of Commerce is currently seeking nominations for its two most prestigious awards – Business Leader of the Year and Citizen of the Year. Each year the Chamber recognizes businesses and individuals that have made outstanding contributions to the community.

Nominations are made by fellow Chamber

members and the community-at-large and must display the following:

Business Leader of the Year

Represent the private, non-profit or public sector

Be in the Town of Farmington and a member of the Farmington Chamber of Commerce

Have distinguishing characteristics resulting primarily from a business leadership role of professional accomplishments, not volunteer work or

public service.

The Citizen of the Year

Provides a positive image for the community
Promotes the general welfare of the community

Demonstrates outstanding volunteer leadership

Is active in the Farmington Community
Last year's awards were given to Bryan Bowerman, chairman and retired President and CEO of Farmington Savings Bank, for the

Business Leader of the Year; and Bill Wadsworth, Farmington Town Council member; Dr. Charles Leach, Jr., for the Citizens of the Year. A special recognition award was also given to M. Burch Tracy Ford upon her retirement as head of Miss Porter's School.

Nominations must be received by March 13, 2009. To obtain a nomination form, please visit www.farmingtonchamber.com.

Farmington Chamber breaks record in member drive

Congratulations to all of the Central Connecticut Chambers of Commerce for their participation in this fall's membership drive. With

an ambitious growth goal set at 10 percent, the Farmington Chamber rallied together and brought in a record breaking 41 members. A membership

drive phone-a-thon and trade show event paved the way for its success. We look forward to keeping the momentum going into 2009 and adding to

the strength of our 330 member chamber. Thank you to Diana Esposito and Ray Gagnon for their support during the drive!

Welcome to our Farmington Chamber New Members

A & A Office System, Inc
A + J Tree Service, LLC
A + Painting
ACN
Awning Place
Battistons
Bluepay New England
Central Park West Chauffeured Services
Cookie Lee Jewelry
CT Gutter Pro
Dancers Image LLC
E.W. Granite & Marble, LLC
Farmington Mobil

Five Guys Burgers & Fries
Fuzzy's Foam Insulation
Guaranty Federal Financial Corp.
Gutter Topper of CT
Hawkes Construction
Horen Chiropractic Center
Insightful Solutions
Insurance & Association Benefits
Interim Health Care
Investors Services of Hartford, Inc
Jafra Cosmetics
Joey Garlic's Pizzeria
Juice Plus
Madsen Group, LLC
Mega – Physique Training

New England General Store
Pack Track
Quest Diagnostics
Recon Airsoft
RoVianne Promotional Products LLC
Strategic Persuasion Group LLC
The Farmington River Literary Arts Center, Inc
The Law Offices Of Timothy Geraghty, LLC
Theresa Nygren
Timothy Geraghty
Walker Systems Support
What's Next Coaching

Farmington Chamber of Commerce Officers

Officers

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| President | Carol Presutti <i>Q Real Estate</i> |
| Vice President | Lisa Whitney <i>Harris Group Venture Management</i> |
| Vice President | Robert Perry, Jr. <i>FASTSigns</i> |
| Secretary | Lucinda Antonacci <i>Farmington Savings Bank</i> |
| Treasurer | Ronald Faibusch <i>Bar Code Consulting Group</i> |
| Immediate Past President | S. Douglas Devnew <i>Trumpf, Inc.</i> |

Board of Directors

Directors Emeritus

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| Richard Bremkamp | <i>The Farmington Inn</i> |
| Kevin Keenan | <i>Westfarms Mall</i> |
| Dan Kleinman | <i>Levy & Droney, P.C.</i> |

Directors

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| Dawn Broadley | <i>Nathan Accounting Group</i> |
| Susan Dantino | <i>Tunxis Community College</i> |
| Carter Foltz | <i>The Farmington Inn</i> |
| Edward Gales | <i>Facilities Service Group</i> |
| Andrew Hintz | <i>ConnectiCare</i> |
| Doug Kartsen | <i>Edward Jones</i> |
| Irene Kowalski | <i>UConn Health Center</i> |
| Joe Leiberis | <i>Westfarms Mall</i> |
| Ron Llewellyn | <i>Midas</i> |
| Cindy MacDonald | <i>Sovereign Bank</i> |
| Alice Sawyer | <i>Wall Decor & More</i> |
| Alexandra Urban | <i>Otis Elevator Company</i> |

Calendar of events

Register online at www.farmingtonchamber.com to attend these upcoming events:

– 7:00 PM the second Wednesday of each month for networking and refreshments! Visit www.farmingtonchamber.com for monthly event locations.

Business After Hours
Business After Hours offer Farmington Chamber members the opportunity to network with other local business people and find ways to work together and strengthen business in our community. Please join us between 5:30 PM

Want to host a Business After Hours? Have a topic idea for our Business Speaker's Program? Please contact Amanda May Sirica at 860.716.2148 or Amanda@siricapr.com.

Don't be left out of the next Chamber Views. Call (860)-584-4718 to find out how you can reach businesses just like you in Central Connecticut.