

BRISTOL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Chamber Appoints New President & CEO!



The Central Connecticut Chambers of Commerce (CCCC), the second largest chamber network in the State of Connecticut, recently announced that they have appointed Cindy Scoville their new President & Chief Executive Officer.

CCCC Board Chairman, Tony Mattioli, stated, "After an extensive search, the selection committee is pleased to announce the appointment of Cindy Scoville as the Chamber's new President & CEO. Cindy possesses the significant experience and aptitude necessary to fulfill the requirements of this challenging position and we excitedly look forward to our future under her leadership."

After the announcement, Cindy stated, "I am thrilled and honored to be the President and CEO of the Central CT Chambers of Commerce; I have a passion for the Chamber, the region we service and the communities in which we live. I have been a part of the Central CT Chamber family for 10 years, volunteering another 20 in the Chamber world. We have a great team, all working for the betterment of our region. I am looking forward to the future of our Chambers and organizations who we work with."

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Bristol Chamber of Commerce can help. Joining the Bristol Chamber not only provides increased exposure for you and your business across our region, but also many opportunities to meet local business owners and community leaders, creating relationships that will turn into new business. As a Chamber member, you receive a tremendous number of benefits and opportunities including networking across a large region with over 100 events per year, marketing and promotional opportunities, and business and community development support.

The more involved you are with the Chamber, the more likely your business will grow and make a positive impact on our community, To see how you can start benefiting from joining the Bristol Chamber, contact Ray Gagnon at 860-585-1694 or r.gagnon@centralctchambers.org today.





New Chamber President

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Cindy has been employed by the Chamber for the past ten years, most recently acting as Executive Director for three Central CT Chambers of Commerce affiliates: Farmington Chamber of Commerce, New England Spring and Metalstamping Association and Connecticut Tool & Machining Association.

Cindy has over thirty years of chamber experience beginning in the late 70's when she worked for the Bristol Press Publishing Company. Prior to joining the Chamber staff, she served on several committees and co-chaired the Bristol Chamber Toll Free to Hartford campaign in the 80's She has also been involved with the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce for over ten years, holding positions of President, Vice-President and Events Coordinator.

Her additional experience includes serving two terms on the Plymouth Town Council and two terms on the Plymouth Board of Education. From 1997 to 2005, she worked in the marketing department of Bristol Hospital, eventually moving to the position of Director of Business Development.

In 2005, Cindy joined the Central CT Chambers of Commerce as a contracted employee through Capital Workforce Partners, tasked with helping individuals get placed in the workforce. As she continued to succeed in this position, the chamber hired her full time as the Operations Manager, which grew into helping with membership, marketing and affiliate development.

Cindy is uniquely positioned as a current Chamber employee to be able to seamlessly step into this new position. Her firsthand knowledge of the organization and its operations will allow her to continue advancing the Chambers' mission and goals from day one.

A lifelong Plymouth resident, Cindy lives with her husband Chet and beloved Jack Russell Terrier, Ace. She has two children, Christopher and Jenna, and is the proud grandmother of three grandsons, and frequent chamber models, Andrew, Pierce, and Charlie.

Home & Business Expo Still a Hit

Huge Crowds Turned Out for the Bristol Chamber's Annual Expo We had a great time at the 31st Annual Home & Business Expo. With over 100 vendors, a large craft fair, tons of kids activities and even a special appearance by Yoda, there was almost too much to see!





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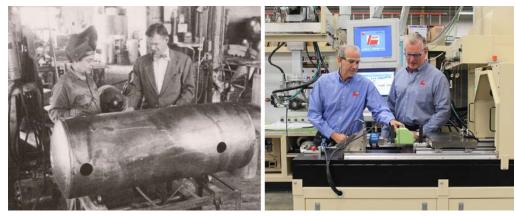


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Then & Now - The past and present at Bauer, Inc.

Members Congratulate Cindy Members Gather to Congratulate Cindy on her new Position

Chamber members joined us for coffee and snacks at a reception for Cindy Scoville to welcome her to the position of President and CEO. Those who already know Cindy had a chance to congratulate her and hear about her plans for the Chamber. For anyone who didn't know Cindy, it was a great chance to meet the new leader and find out how to become more involved.







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The Ducks are Ready to Race 5,000 Rubber Ducks to Race Down Pequabuck River



Once again 5,000 rubber ducks are gearing up to race down the Pequabuck River in pursuit of prizes for their "owners." Sponsored by the Bristol Chamber of Commerce and Forestville Village Association, the annual Pequabuck River Duck Race, scheduled for Sunday, May 1st, raises funds to help beautify Bristol and Forestville.

Tickets are sold throughout the community for \$5 each with the number of the ticket corresponding to one of the rubber ducks. The first 36 ducks to cross the finish line will earn the corresponding prize for the person who holds that ticket number. This year the prizes range from a grand prize of \$1,000 to Bristol Blues tickets, Lake

Compounce passes, gift certificates to area restaurants and much more! For a full list of prizes or information on becoming a vendor or crafter, visit www. CentralCTChambers.org/Events and find the Duck Race listed on May 1st.

Tickets can be purchased at the Chamber (200 Main Street, Bristol) and many other local businesses including TD Bank, Max's Pizza (both locations), Bristol Mayor's Office, First Bristol Federal Credit Union, City True Value Hardware, Rodd's Restaurant, Beacon Pharmacy (Collins Road), Marilyn's Pub, Oasis Restaurant, 150 Central, Nuchie's Restaurant, Dunphy's Ice Cream, Sassu Cuts Salon, Silvana Dayspa & Salon, South Side Meat Market and many more. Be sure to get your tickets early as they are usually sold out by race day!

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CHAMBER PICTURES

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Business After Hours hosted by Sonic



Chamber bids farewell to President Jim Albert



Ribbon Cutting at The Thermal Print House



Business After Hours hosted by Marilyn's Pub

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Save the Date!

Making Memories Through Life's Journeys



Lee Woodruff, Author and Media Contributor

On Monday, October 24th at the Aqua Turf Club, 556 Mulberry Street, Plantsville, author and media contributor Lee Woodruff will discuss the way life can change in an instant and the importance of making memories along the way. One of the main focuses of the event is the important role of caregiver and how they are often overlooked.

A testament to strength and grace during life's many challenges, Lee Woodruff has not only overcome immense obstacles, but has also continued to excel in her personal and professional life. In Lee's

presentations, she conveys a message of love, healing and an understanding that we're all fighting our own battle.

The evening will kick off at 5 p.m. with a reception, dinner at 6 p.m., followed by Lee's Keynote Address at 7 p.m. Afterward, she will participate in a Q & A session. The evening will conclude with a book signing with Lee at 8 p.m.

Why I Joined the Chamber by Dr. David Fenton, Bristol Oral Surgery & Implant Center

I joined the Bristol Chamber of Commerce as soon as my business was up and running. It took me a long time to locate the exact location to build my business and my future. I decided on Bristol for a myriad of reasons, one of which is the strong sense of community. I could not think of a better way to increase my involvement in the community than to join the chamber. As an Oral and Maxillofacial Surgeon it is vital to gain the trust and respect of my patients, their families, my colleagues, and the community. The only way to truly gain someones trust is to earn it through meaningful relationships and exemplary acts. Joining the Bristol Chamber of Commerce is an excellent avenue to bring a small business to the community.

As a new business coming into an area where there is a strong sense of community I knew that it would allow me an opportunity to meet people from every area of commerce. I am emphatic in supporting local businesses and this was a great way of being introduced to quite a few. I hope it will help me network and open doors to meet new people and become invested in their success as well. The city becomes much stronger when the businesses support each other. I am very interested in the future and development of Bristol, and hope that my state of the art facility, and professionally trained, friendly, and compassionate team will be a small part of that progress.

We look forward to becoming more active and having the ability to sponsor local events and assist in raising the city up while being an integral part of it. We have been so warmly welcomed to Bristol by the Chamber staff it is clear that joining the Chamber was an obvious choice.

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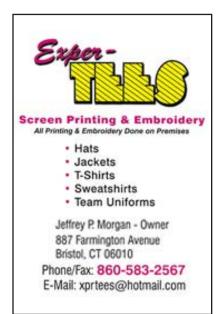


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Upcoming Chamber Events

- April 5, 2016 Membership Event Bring a prospective member to learn about the Chamber and its benefits - Firefly Hollow Brewing Company — 139 Center Street, Suite 5005, Bristol — 5 p.m.—7 p.m.
- April 12, and June 14, 2016 Business Builders Build business relationships, get business leads, promote education, and offer support and motivation. Central CT Chambers - 200 Main Street, Bristol - They meet the second Tuesday of every month from 9:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.
- May 1, 2016 Pequabuck River Duck Race Premier Sponsor Yarde Metals -164 Central Street, Forestville - 10a.m.-3 p.m. Tickets on sale now!
- May 10, 2016 Business Builders Success Stories Breakfast with the Bristol Blues Hear what the management and team members of the Blues have to say about teamwork - Chippanee Golf Club - 6 Marsh Road, Bristol -9:00-10:30 a.m. - Chamber members - \$15, Non-members - \$20
- May 25, 2016 Business After Hours Hosted by DoubleTree by Hilton 42 Century Drive, Bristol 5-7 p.m.
- June 11, 2016 Bristol Chamber Night at the Bristol Blues Enjoy the game, picnic dinner, and post-game fireworks - Muzzy Field, Bristol - 6-9 p.m.
- June 16, 2016 Bristol Chamber Annual Awards Dinner The Aqua Turf Club 556 Mulberry Street, Plantsville - 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Visit www.CentralCTChambers.org for more information, registration, and a complete listing of our events.







Want to be a part of these exciting events? Join the Bristol Chamber today!

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