



NEWSLETTER

Spring 2016



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Note from the new Managing Director

It is officially Spring 2016 (although the weather doesn't always feel like it) and new beginnings are visible everywhere. Not just outside your window, but also here at your Chamber. As the new Managing Director, I'm excited to dive in and continue the great work of Kathy Nichols-Tomkins and the Board of Directors in serving member businesses. I moved my family here from Boston just last year because, as a Greenwich native, I know what a remarkable place this area is to live, work, and play. Thank you for such a warm welcome back into the community.

They say in business it's all about who you know. So why not join fellow Chamber members on the **First Friday** or **Third Thursday** of every month for social events designed to help you build your network and have some fun. You'll meet at a new location (always a Chamber member) and get to know other professionals in the community while building lasting relationships.

On Friday, May 6 from 12-1 pm we'll be at the **SRYMCA's Battenkill Branch** for a demonstration and light lunch, as part of our Women in Business series.

On Thursday, May 19 we'll be at **Windy Hills Golf Course** for a networking social for all from 5:30-7:30 pm, and for more Women in Business, join us on Friday June 3 for breakfast at **Just Because** from 8-9 am.

Don't forget your business cards!

There is a lot going on at your Chamber and so many opportunities for you to get involved. If you're interested in making valuable connections and becoming more involved in your community, please contact the Chamber office. Or just stop in and say hello. I'd love to hear how we can better serve you and your business. We're looking forward to an exciting year ahead!

Thank you,

Jessica Lynn
Managing Director

Don't Forget!

- ◆ Check out your business on the Chamber website to ensure we have the most accurate information
www.greenwichchamber.org
- ◆ Get your promotional materials out to the public by utilizing the Information Building on Academy Street

Officers & Directors

Officers

Suzanne Becker - President
Catherine Burkly - Co-Vice President
Matthew Ryan - Co-Vice President
Lisa Gillis - Treasurer
Jessica Lynn - Secretary

Directors

Mary Barnhart - Victory View Vineyard
Suzanne Becker - Blooms
Bill Blake - SRYMCA Battenkill Branch
Catherine Burkly - Esquire
Lisa Gillis - Vincent M. Cristaldi Accounting Services
Christine Grogan - Union Village, Ltd.
Andrew Kelly - Kelly & Sellar Ryan, PLLC
Katie Jo Mohamed Ali - Trustco Bank
Matthew Ryan - Individual Member

DATES TO REMEMBER

Whipple City Festival meetings
May 11 & May 25, 6:00 pm
at the Chamber office

Board of Directors meeting
May 18, 6:00 pm at the Chamber office

THANK YOU to The Skin Bar, Trustco Bank, and Mapleland Farms for hosting and supporting our last two networking events!

Highlights from the Annual Membership Meeting:

Congratulations to **Bill Blake** and **Judy McClay**, recipients of the Volunteer Award.

Kathy Nichols-Tomkins was recognized and thanked for her many years of dedicated service.

Mary Barnhart, Catherine Burkly, Christine Grogan, Andy Kelly, and Katie-Jo Mohamed Ali were all re-elected to the Board of Directors.

Heidi Clary from Country Power Products, LLC accepted a nomination to the Board of Directors for a two year term.



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MEMBER EVENTS

FIRST FRIDAY | WOMEN IN BUSINESS SERIES

Networking Lunch

Where: **Battencill Branch of SRYMCA**, 184 Main Street, Greenwich, NY

When: **Friday, May 6 from 12:00 - 1:00pm**

Description: Different types of classes and movements will be explained & demonstrated by Kim Brown. A light lunch will be provided. Please dress comfortably.

Cost: Free! Please RSVP by May 2 to Bill Blake 587-3110 Ext 161

THIRD THURSDAY NETWORKING SOCIAL

Where: **Windy Hills Golf Course**, 219 Windy Hill Road, Greenwich, NY

When: **Thursday, May 19 from 5:30-7:30pm**

Description: The Greenhouse Restaurant at Windy Hills Golf Course will offer guests a variety of finger foods and a drink (featuring Victory View Vineyard wine, an assortment of beers, or a soft drink) for \$7.00 per person. Each chamber member in attendance will receive a raffle ticket to be drawn at the end of the mixer. The winner will receive a gift certificate for two, 18-Hole Greens Fees.

The staff at Windy Hills will discuss the many functions they offer at their venue. They host various tournaments from groups as small as a family gathering to large events such as their Rally for the Cure that takes place the first weekend in August. Susan says, "If you're not the golfing type, our restaurant offers a comfortable place to host an event for any occasion. In the past, we have held birthday parties, family reunions, and bridal showers. There are endless amounts of options offered at Windy Hills to satisfy your event needs."

Cost: \$7.00 per person

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Networking Breakfast

Where: **Just Because**, 2 Washington Square, Greenwich, NY

When: **Friday, June 3 from 8:00 - 9:00am**

Cost: TBA

THIRD THURSDAY NETWORKING SOCIAL

Where: **Dream Design Flooring**, 1169 State Route 29, Greenwich, NY

When: **Thursday, June 16 from 5:30-7:30pm**

Cost: TBA

Whipple City Festival is a week earlier this year! June 10 - 11, 2016

Friday, June 10: Fairy Tale themed parade at 6pm
Musical entertainment by Get Up Jack at 7pm in Mowry Park

Saturday, June 11: **5K-10K Race at 8:30am**
Kids 1K Fun Run begins after the end of the race
Visit <http://www.greenwichchamber.org/whipplecity5k.asp> to register!
Festivities in Mowry Park continue on Saturday with free horse drawn wagon rides, food vendors, Artisan Market, and commercial vendors. Saturday entertainment features music from River Jack Z, Grit N Whiskey, and Eastbound Jesus