

**November Waterside Coalition Meeting****Thursday, November 5th at 7:00 pm****St. Clements Church 535 Fairfield Avenue****AGENDA**

- I. Welcome and announcements – Ben Velishka, Chairman
- II. Update from City Representatives - John Boccuzzi & Elaine Mitchell
- III. Guest Speaker - Congressman Jim Himes

***FUTURE WATERSIDE COALITION MEETING DATES:**The Coalition meets the first **Thursday** of each quarter at 7:00 pm at St. Clements Church:

Mar. 4; Jun. 3

Mark your calendar:

Congressman Jim Himes will discuss the two primary goals of the health care reform: provide Americans with stable access to high-quality care, and substantially reduce the costs in the system.

The Congressman would like to know your experiences with coverage denials, rate increases, costs, and other frustrations you may have with the current health care system. Also, he would like to hear your point of view on how we should reform the system.

**September 9th
Meeting Highlights****Waterside Board Members 2009-2010:**

Benjamin Velishka – Chairman
John Boccuzzi – Vice Chair
Glenda Blume – Secretary
Elaine Mitchell – Board of Rep.
Ken Roberts – Board Member
Richard Warren – Board Member
Rick Fedeli – Board Member
Jon Hoch – Board Member
Michele Layton – Board Member
David Dearing – Board Member

**Stamford Traffic & Engineering Department –
Ernest Orgera:**

- Provided an overview of Operation Clean Sweep program in Waterside during July 2009 and August 2009 of street/storm drain cleaning, and bulky waste cleaning.

**Stamford Solid Waste/Recycling Department –
Dan Colleuari:**

- Provided an overview of the Residential Single Stream Recycling which allows residents to place recyclable items in one single recycling bin.

**Stamford Housing Safety and Zoning Code
Enforcement and Health Department:**

- Reviewed a checklist pertaining to health and safety conditions that affect individual living environments and the quality of life in Stamford: fire, health, and zoning code compliance issues.

Stamford Anti-Blight Committee – Richard Lyons:

- Provided an overview of real properties containing blighted buildings and/or structures that contributes to the decline of the neighborhood. In addition, blighted buildings and/or structures that contributes to housing blight and adversely affects the economic well being of

the city and is inimical to the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the city.

ShopToEarn:

- Provided an overview to join a network marketing industry which can put more money in your pocket.

Community News

Waterside Coalition News:

- Althea Brown, WC's Community Director, will be in the Office Tues – Fri. mornings from 10-12 (Nov-Dec); Saturday morning from 10-12 (Jan-Apr 2010). Call first: phone (203) 274-7597; fax (203) 274-7598; e-mail: waterside@watersidecoalition.org.
- In an effort to build community spirit among the residents of Waterside, tee shirts and bumper magnets have been made up with the Waterside logo. Tee-shirt cost was \$6.00 per shirt; a \$10.00 donation is requested. Bumper magnet cost was \$2.00; a \$4.00 donation is requested.

Waterside Neighborhood Compliance Committee:

Chairperson: Althea S. Brown
Speaker: Lieutenant Dohmann and Captain Mullin
Next Meeting: November TBD at 5:30pm
Place: J&D Pizza - 432 Fairfield Ave – All are invited! Free food!

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS:

Rippowam/Mill River:

- Rippowam/Mill River working group will have their next meeting Thursday, November 12th (time TBD) at Stamford Senior Center.

Stamford Boat Parade:

- Forth Annual Stamford Boat Parade starting at East Branch at 6 pm Saturday, November 28th and ending at Crab Shell Restaurant, Stamford Landing on the West Branch. For information contact Dick Gildersleeve at (203) 904-5779.

Energy/Recycling

Energy Conservation:

- CL&P will discuss how to cut appliance operating costs as well as how to save on heating and lighting bills at March 4th community meeting, St. Clement Church 7pm. You will receive a compact fluorescent light bulb at the meeting.

Recycling:

- Residential Single Stream Recycling Program – allows residents to place all recyclable items in one single recycling bin. To receive the new recycling bin call

Dan Colleluori at 203-977-4117 or email him at

dcolleluori@ci.stamford.ct.us.

- Stamford Recycling Centers: (1) 130 Magee Avenue, (2) Corner of Scofieldtown Road and Rockrimmon Road, and (3) 1 Harborview (also Stamford resident can get a free dumping sticker at this location).

Health Care

CPR Training:

- Mary Judge, Stamford Hospital, will provide CPR training at March 4th community meeting, St. Clement Church 7pm.

Education

Chester Addison:

- Application is now available for the after-school program. Anyone interested in enrolling their child should contact the center at 348-6491 or stop by 245 Selleck Street for further details.

Women's Business Develop Center (WBDC):

- Visit WBDC at www.ctwbdc.org and apply online. Or attend a WBDC Business information session or speak to a WBDC Business/Career Specialist.

Social Service

CTE – Doorway to Self-Sufficiency:

- Programs: (1) Family Services –contact Deborah Mullin at 352-4842, (2) Education & Youth-contact Lisa James at 352-4880, (3) Alternative Incarceration Center – contact Keith Sears at 352-4893, (4) Viewpoint Recovery – contact Mark Wilson at 356-1053, Wealth & Asset Development-contact Betty Mc Cree at 352-4858, and WorkForce Development – contact Treva Franks at 352-4824.

CTE is located at 34 Woodland Avenue, Stamford, CT 06902, telephone number is 327-3260, and website is www.ctecap.org.

Job Opportunity

NEED A JOB??? WANT TO HIRE SOMEONE?

WC and CTE will be in alliance on employment opportunities for the neighborhood residents and business owners. Contact Waterside Coalition office at (203) 274-7597.

Local Business



Support Local Business:

Elmcroft Tree Service, 309 Greenwich Avenue, Stamford, CT 06902; (203) 323-4068.

Floor Covering Warehouse, 112 Orchard Street, Stamford, CT 06902; (203) 323-3113.

Chester Addison Community Center, 245 Selleck Street, Stamford, CT 06902; (203) 348-6491.

Donation

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___ \$250, Silver Sponsor

Telephone Number: (h) _____ (w) _____

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E-mail: _____