

**March Waterside Coalition Meeting****Thursday, March 3rd at 7:00 pm****St. Clements Church 535 Fairfield Avenue****AGENDA**

- I. **Welcome and announcements - Glenda Blume, Chairman**
- II. **Update from City Representatives - John Boccuzzi & Elaine Mitchell**
- III. **Guest Speaker – Michael Hyman, Director of Domus/Chester Addison Community Center**

*FUTURE WATERSIDE COALITION MEETING DATES:
The Coalition meets the **first Thursday**: May 5th, and Jun. 2nd
at 7:00 pm at St. Clements Church:

Mark your calendar:

Chester Addison Community Center – Michael Hyman, Director of the Domus/Chester Addison Community Center will share with you many services the Center offers from after-school, to tutoring, to resume assistance, and more. He will also share the Center's aggressive plan for reaching out to the community on quality of life issues.

**January 6th
Meeting Highlights****H&R Block – Allan Atherton, Tax Professional:**

- Allan discussed 2010 taxes: stimulus payments, make work pay credit, social security tax credit, federal inheritance tax, energy tax credit, education credit, home buyer credit, who can be a dependant, and retirement accounts (i.e. roth vs. traditional). You can have your taxes done by Allan at H&R Block office located at 600 Summer Street, Stamford CT 06901. Call to make an appointment with Allan at (203) 359-1040.

Community News**Waterside Coalition News:**

- Althea Brown, WC's Community Director. Call first: phone (203) 274-7597; fax (203) 274-7598; email: 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, Community Director
Speaker: Lieutenant Dohmann and Captain Mullin
Next Meeting: March 21st at 5:30 pm
Place: Outpost Pizza: 365 West Ave. – All are invited and Free Food!

Guide to reporting and getting information:**Stamford Police Department**

Type of complaints: loud noise/music, boisterous, and dangerous activities or behavior, vandalism to property, parking violation, thief, animal control, speeding, traffic problem, or suspicious activity.

Contact: Stamford Police Department
Non-emergency (203) 977-4444 or emergency
911 or visit 805 Bedford Street, Stamford CT 06901

Job Opportunity**NEED A JOB??? WANT TO HIRE SOMEONE??**

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

Sport

Federal Little League 2011 Registration/Tryouts:

- **Registration:** League Boundaries- Any player who is 5-12 years of age (as of April 30th) is welcome to register who lives within the following territories: All area South of Route 1 to the coast from the Greenwich border to the Darien border including Waterside, Dolphin Cove, Southfield Village, the Southfield, and the Cove. Most games and practices are held at the fields at West Beach.
- **Where:** Knights of Columbus (Shippan Ave. across from Cummings Park).
- **When:** Monday February 28th 6-9pm, Saturday March 5th 9am-12pm, or Wednesday March 9th 6-9pm.
- **New Player:** All new players must bring a birth certificate and 3 proofs of address (driver's license, utility bill, school records, vehicle records, etc).
- **Fees:** Registration fees will be collected. Partial scholarships are available in conjunction with the school's lunch program. Must provide letter from the school system to quality.
- **Tryouts:** For players ages 8-12 will be Saturday, March 12th from 9am-3pm at the KT Murphy school gym. These tryouts are for level and team placement.
- **Contact Information:** For more information see the website www.stamfordfederal.com or call Brian Maloney at (203) 353-1612 or email maloney73@yahoo.com.

Social Security Benefits

Social Security Administration recommends the following techniques to boost your monthly benefits:

- **Work Longer, Earn More:** Your earnings record for Social Security continues to be updated as long as you work and pay into Social Security.
- **Delay Applying:** If you claim early, age 62, your benefit is reduced by 25% for your lifetime. But if you wait until age 70, you'll get a 32% increase in your benefit.
- **Coordinate Spousal Benefits:** For example, a high-earning husband can collect a spousal benefit off his wife's record between the ages of 66 and 70 while his own benefit earns delayed credits.
- **Maximize Survivor Benefits:** if one spouse dies the other spouse may jump up to that spouse's benefit if it is higher.

Taxes

What's New in Filing 2010 Taxes?

- Due date is April 18th.
- No more phase outs for itemized deduction and exemptions.
- Adoption credit was increased to \$13,170.
- Self-employed individual can deduct health insurance premium on schedule SE.
- Homebuyer credit repayment rules kick-in.
- Real estate tax deduction for non-itemizer is gone.
- Deductions for sales taxes on new vehicle purchases are gone.
- Break for unemployment benefit is gone (100% must be reported as income).
- Your Tax Preparer might E-File your return this time. credits.

Local Business

Support Local Business:



Riverside Muscular Therapy : Waterside resident Mark Perkins has moved his fitness and rehabilitation facility to a new 3500 sq. ft. space at 1 Barry Place, behind M&L cleaning , in Waterside. **Riverside Muscular Therapy** offers fitness, movement and advanced athletic development for novices to professionals ages 16-90. Massage therapy, kinesio taping, as well as pre- and post-rehab services are available. Since 2000, Riverside Muscular Therapy has served lower Fairfield, CT and Westchester, NY to empower clients through all phases of health by integrating various training methods to develop challenging and fun physical programs. The use of body weight, medicine balls, kettle bells, rubber bands, heavy bags, free weights, yoga, Pilates, and prehab exercises opens an arsenal of ways to stimulate the body. Muscular/massage therapy treatments improves performance and advances rehabilitation of an injury. Visit <http://riversidefitness.org/43.html> for further information and to make an appointment.

Another New Local Business:

Solar Car Wash

We are pleased to inform you that one of the greenest projects to date is complete and ready for business in Waterside. The **Solar Car Wash at 229 Greenwich Avenue** is the most energy efficient and sustainable business in the try state area. The use of a high efficiency HVAC system, Solar PV (4 KWh) and solar thermal (30 KWh) is only the beginning. All of the car wash equipment uses high efficiency electric components and the complete recirculation of water uses very little energy compared to other installations of this size. While your vehicle is being cleaned you can watch on the flat screen TV in the waiting room and see the energy being used and how much is being offset with solar heat and solar generated power. It will tell you how much CO2 was saved and how small the carbon footprint impact is on our environment. The simple process of washing your car can achieve all of this at the Solar Car Wash.

Please visit this car wash, help save the environment and support this kind of business in Waterside. To see how solar thermal production is used at any given time during the day, check out following web site: http://www.greenwichavecarwash.com/solar_advantage.html



Donation

Waterside Coalition is a non-profit, tax exempt 501(c) (3) organization dedicated to working on issues that are important to the community. Any contribution is tax deductible. Make check payable to Waterside Coalition, Inc., PO Box 113214, Stamford, CT 06911-3214.

Yes, I'd like to help...

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Address: _____ \$250, Silver Sponsor

Telephone Number: (h) _____ (w) _____ \$500, Gold Sponsor

E-mail: _____