



# Vision

**Andover-Bolton-Columbia-Coventry-Ellington-Hebron  
Mansfield-Somers-Stafford-Tolland-Union-Vernon-Willington**  
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## Scholarships Awarded at June Board Meeting

The Tolland County Chamber of Commerce is proud to announce that two students from Tolland County schools were awarded the Alice C. McPadden Memorial Scholarship. Alice McPadden was the Executive Director of the Rockville/Tolland County Chamber of Commerce for 15 years. She developed many programs to benefit the members of the chamber and we are proud to say that we have given scholarships in her memory since 1997.

Congratulations to this years two scholarship recipients.

**Christine Jayalil Vareed**, a graduate from **Tolland High School** will be attending the **University of Connecticut** and she will study medicine in the field of physiology and neurobiology. We were honored to give this dedicated student this scholarship. She states in her essay that after completion of medical school and becoming a doctor, she will start looking into arrangements towards helping at the hospital and orphanage that her family has built in India.

**Caitlin Mary Donahue**, a graduate from **Rockville High School** will be attending **Emerson College** in Boston. She will major in writing, literature and publishing. Since her childhood it has been her dream to become a published author. She looks forward to possibly being able to write plays & watch them performed at Emerson College.

### GOLF NEWS

**16<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament**  
**Sponsored by: Rockville Bank Foundation**  
**Was a Great Success!**

The sun was shining, there was a gentle breeze in the air and a great time was had by all. After golf was finished, everyone gathered into **Blackledge Country Club** clubhouse for beverages that were sponsored on the course and in the clubhouse by **Connecticut Bank & Trust** and enjoyed Hors d'oeuvres sponsored by **Mazzuca Insurance Agency**. Some lucky golfers enjoyed a free massage by member Steve Callis of **Phoenix Therapeutic Massage of Vernon**. During dinner sponsored by **NewAlliance Bank**, committee member Bob Stewart called out the winning ticket numbers for the many wonderful raffle prizes. The grand prize, sponsored by **ECHN** and the 1<sup>st</sup> prize sponsored by **Evergreen Health Center**.

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### Looking Through Vision

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**1-2** Scholarship Winners – 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

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**Support your fellow Chamber Members**

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*The success of our chamber's golf tournament would not be possible without the dedicated committee members, volunteers and chamber members who support us. Thank you to everyone who contributed to our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament!*

Sponsor: **Rockville Bank Foundation**

- Corporate Sponsor - **ConnectiCare**
- Grand Raffle Prize Sponsor - **ECHN**
- Raffle 1<sup>st</sup> Prize Sponsor – **Evergreen Health Ctr**
- Putting Green Sponsor – **Kahan, Kerensky & Capossela**
- Hole in One Sponsor – **Scranton Motors**
- Breakfast Sponsor – **USI Connecticut**
- Lunch Sponsor – **Woodlake at Tolland**
- Hors d'oeuvres Sponsor – **Mazzuca Insurance Agency**
- Dinner Sponsor – **NewAlliance Bank**
- On Course Beverage Sponsor – **Connecticut Bank & Trust**
- Closest to the Pin – **American Eagle Federal Credit Union**
- Closest to the Pin – **Ellington Travel**
- Closest to the Pin – **Olender's Body Shop**
- Longest Drive – **Pue, Leibowitz, Chick & Blezard**
- Closest to the Line – **Reminder News**

**TEE/TABLE/CART SPONSORS**

- Ashley, Scarborough & Pierce
- AT&T
- Bundy Motors
- Bolton Mobil
- Campbell-Keune Realty, Inc.
- Carrollton Properties
- ConnectiCare
- CNC Software
- Connecticut Mechanical Services
- ConServ, Inc.
- ConServ Mechanical
- Deer Valley Townhomes
- Devlin, Peters & Tarpey
- Dowding, Moriarty & Dimock
- Dymotek
- Ellington Agway
- Elm Hill Manor
- Express Wireless
- Garden Barn Nursery
- Gardner & Peterson Associates
- Gottier Fuel
- Healthwise Medical Associates
- Holiday Inn Express
- Homestead Fuel, Inc.
- I. David Marder & Associates

- Infinex Investments/Stafford Savings Bank
- Integrated Rehabilitation Services
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- John Olender Corporation
- Johnson Memorial Hospital
- KMA Wealth Management
- Ladd-Turkington & Carmon Funeral Home
- Lefurge & Gilbert
- Lonsdale Elevator, Inc.
- Magdefrau, Renner & Ciaffaglione, LLC
- Mary A. Oliver Company
- Med-Caire, Inc.
- Naek Construction
- Nathan Hale Inn
- Nerac, Inc.
- Nutmeg Stairs & Cabinet
- Packaging Store
- Palozej Eyecare Associates
- Proulx & LaRoche Builders
- Rein's Deli
- Rocwell Builders
- S&S Furnace Sales, Inc.
- Stephen D. Williams & Co., Inc.
- Stewart Appraisal Services
- Tolland Family Chiropractic
- Vernon Poolman
- Vincent's Pharmacy
- Visiting Nurse & Health Services of CT
- ViVenzio & Associates
- Williams Realty
- Willington AutoBody
- Willington Pizza
- Workers Federal Credit Union

**PRIZE DONORS**

- American Eagle FCU
- Anderson Automotive
- Blackledge Country Club
- Chamber Insurance Trust
- Custom Impressions
- Ellington Ridge Country Club
- Evergreen Health Center
- Garden Barn
- Jiffy Lube
- Kahan, Kerensky & Capossela
- Morande Jewelers, LLC
- Nathan Hale Inn
- NewAlliance Bank
- Schneiders Flooring America
- The Golf Factory
- The Travelers

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

**Chairman – John O'Keefe**

- Gary Elwell
- Chick MacMillan
- Dick Finance
- John O'Keefe
- Jack Gannon
- Bob Stewart
- Joe Jeamel
- Steve Sutton
- Steve Leibowitz

**VOLUNTEERS**

Candice Corcione  
Thora Cowperthwaite  
Kim Dion  
Colleen Dunphy  
Lugene Kulpa

Mona Lee  
Sandra Marella  
Mary McConville  
Daisy Paulhus  
Kathy Stavens  
Mary Tautic

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**News & Chamber Updates!**

**The Tolland County Chamber of Commerce** is very proud to announce that **Lugene Kulpa, Director of Membership Services** for the chamber was awarded the **Charlotte Marshall Prothero Staff Award** at the annual Connecticut Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives annual meeting. This award is given to an exceptional chamber staff person who has a desire to promote chamber activities and programs and excels in professional excellence. It was stated that "Lugene goes the extra mile in the work she does not only for the Tolland County Chamber, but for the work she does for East of the River Chambers of Commerce".

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**Business Awards**

The economic development committee is accepting nominations for our annual business member awards to be presented at this annual meeting in October. Awards are available in four categories. 1) Economic development (business growth/job growth); 2) corporate citizen (civic contributions and involvement); 3) beautification (improvement to grounds and facilities), and 4) best new business. Award forms can be found on our website at [www.tollandcountychamber.org](http://www.tollandcountychamber.org).

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**Dzen Realty, Inc.** awards member Winnie DeLong TOP SELLING AGENT OF THE MONTH!

Congratulations to **Keep In Touch** for being selected for the "Torch Award for Marketplace Ethics" by the Better Business Bureau.

Dr. Jonathan M. Daube, president of **Manchester Community College** was recently awarded the Michael Bennett Lifetime Achievement Award from the International

Honor Society at the 2008 Phi Theta Kappa International Convention in Philadelphia.

Retired **Manchester Community College** Dean, Jack Gannon was honored at a formal ceremony held at the college naming the Continuing Education offices The John V. Gannon Continuing Education Center. Jack was a long time director of the chamber and is an active golf committee member. Congratulations Jack!

**Rockville Bank** promotes Jackie Agruso to Branch Sales Officer in their Enfield Big-Y branch; Nicole Gilbert to Branch Sales Officer of the East Hartford Branch and Susan Bellemore to Branch Officer at the Coventry Branch. Scott Andrusis was promoted to Senior Vice President of Commercial Banking. Congratulations to all.

**KidSafe CT receives the largest donation in its 27-year history!** **KidSafe**, an organization that helps Connecticut families at risk of child abuse or neglect made history when it received a donation from **Rockville Bank** in the amount of \$10,000. This is the largest donation ever made by a bank to the organization since its establishment in 1981. For more information about KidSafe call 860-872-1918 or visit [www.kidsafect.org](http://www.kidsafect.org).

The Chamber has developed a new program for individual health insurance with Aetna call **Chamber One**. Chamber One is now available to all chamber members. Chamber members now can apply for Chamber One by calling the Chamber Insurance Trust at 1-800-953-4467 for a free quote, or get a quote online at [www.ChamberOneNorvax.com](http://www.ChamberOneNorvax.com). Additional features include no referrals required to see a specialist, no waiting period for preventive care and 100 percent coverage for childhood immunizations up to age 18. Optional dental plans are available in most states and include 100 percent coverage for diagnostic and preventive services, such as cleanings, x-rays and oral exams.

Keep your name in front by advertising in VISION Newsletter. The cost for a business card ad is \$40. Flyers cost \$110.00

## New Members!

*The following businesses and individuals have recently joined our chamber. Please welcome them with your patronage*

**LifeForce Chiropractic 649-7705**

Dr. April Little  
27 Hartford Turnpike  
Vernon, CT 06066  
(Chiropractic)

**Cindy's Fountain of Youth Skin Salon 742-5804**

Cindy Pelletier  
2268 Boston Turnpike  
Coventry, CT 06238  
(Spa & Skin Care Salon)

**AT&T, The Wireless Connection 896-0444**

David Petraccone  
200 Hartford Turnpike  
Vernon, CT 06066  
(Mobile Communications)

**Action Carpet & Cleaning, Inc. 871-7528**

Linda Holbrook-Simons  
Fieldstone Commons/Route 195  
Tolland, CT 06084  
(Flooring)

**Carolyn Christman 872-4408**

60-172 Old Town Road  
Vernon CT 06082  
(Individual)

**CT Golfland and Game 643-2654**

Julie Tyrol  
95 Hartford Turnpike  
Vernon, CT 06066  
(Amusement/Golf/Recreation)

**Salon Gio 875-8500**

Lisa Thibodeau  
12 Goose Lane  
Tolland, CT 06084  
(Beauty Salon)

**CLM Computer Services 481-4499**

Christopher Moyer  
5 Jonathan Drive  
Ellington, CT 06029  
(Computers-Technical Assistance & Support Services)

## Upcoming Events

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### Business After Hours

#### Vernon Manor

180 Regan Road  
Vernon, CT 06066

Tuesday, September 16, 2008  
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

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### Mark your calendars!

**October – Annual Meeting**

**November – Woodlake At  
Tolland – BAH**

**December – Kahan, Kerensky  
& Capossela – BAH**

**April 8<sup>th</sup> – Business  
Showcase**

**June 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf  
Tournament**

**Checkout the chamber's  
website at**

**[www.tollandcountychamber.org](http://www.tollandcountychamber.org)**

**for dates of these  
upcoming events.**

***Have a safe and happy  
summer!***

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