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Colchester Business Association

Community Page

February 2010

Upcoming Events

Next Monthly Meeting: Tues. Mar. 2, 6-8 p.m.

Gilbertie's Place, 464 South Main Street

Program: Christina Levere - **Ten Ways to Market Your Business Without Breaking the Bank**

Sponsor: State Farm Insurance

Cost: \$15 per person RSVP: **537-0340** by Feb. 26

Breakfast Meeting: Wed. Mar. 17, 7:30 - 9:00 a.m.

Colchester Town Hall, 127 Norwich Avenue

Guests & Businesses - Welcome!

CBA Member Spotlight ...

Northeast Family Federal Credit Union



Fred Brown
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www.nefamily.coop
creditunionman.com

Northeast Family Federal Credit Union is a non-profit financial cooperative owned by its members and governed by a volunteer Board of Directors elected from the membership. The credit union is SEG-based, which means that companies and organizations (including non-profits) join the credit union and enable their employees become members. When members join they stay a member as long as they wish, even if they leave the affiliated employer.

The result of being member owned and governed is reduced fees. They provide an array of lending products including mortgages, automobile and personal loans, and home equity lines of credit. The credit union belongs to three surcharge free networks that provide 66,000 surcharge-free ATMs nationwide.

In business since 1938, the credit union has locations in Manchester and North Windham. With today's technology of direct deposits, debit cards, and computers, *members can bank from anywhere*. Current members are from 20 states and four countries.

Northeast Family Credit Union is very active in the community. They have monthly fundraisers that go towards non-profits and organizations. Fred Brown, Director of Marketing & Member Development, appears at various locations as Credit Union Man! He visits schools to teach children about saving and gives out Piggy Credit Unions.

Brown is a resident of Colchester with his wife and two dogs. He is also an active CBA member, supports non-profits, creates fundraising events, and recently gave away a kidney to a stranger.

For Reduced Rates - Call Fred Brown!



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You're Invited - CBA's Annual Breakfast Social

Join us for a morning of free networking at this year's Breakfast Social held at the Colchester Town Hall, located at 127 Norwich Avenue. This year's annual event will take place from **7:30 to 9:00 a.m.** on **Wednesday, March 17**. This is an annual event that is created for the members and potential members that are not always able to attend dinner meetings. *All CBA members and businesses interested in joining the CBA are invited.*

Donating businesses include: **Gilbertie's Place, Subway of Colchester**, and several other local restaurants. For more information please contact us at (860) 537-0340 or info@cba.bz.

\$1000 Scholarships Available

Two \$1000 scholarships are now available to local graduating high school seniors that intend on studying business in college. The scholarships are provided by the CBA and its generous members. Qualifying Bacon Academy seniors are encouraged to speak to their guidance counselors to apply for this opportunity. Scholarship recipients will be chosen and presented with the awards in June.

The scholarships are given in honor of CBA members Loren Marvin, a founding member, and Don Standish, a longtime retailer who served the association in many capacities. The raffles that make these scholarships possible are donated by CBA business members who sponsor the monthly dinner meetings, and by direct donation from members. Thank you to all of you that help to make this scholarship possible.

Welcome New Businesses!

• **Greg Czapiga & Michelle Priolo**, *Suburban Home Medical*, 119 South Main Street, Colchester, (860) 236-0755

• **Robert Kabir-Clark**, *Colchester Courtyards*, 38 Balaban Road, Colchester, (860) 537-1483

• **Alan Chubbuck**, *Radio Shack*, 119 South Main Street, Colchester, (860) 537-4550

• **Timothy Forget**, *Green Energy LLC*, 510 Parum Road, Colchester, (860) 537-0424

• **Matt Barnes & James Nicholas**, *EasyWeb Creations.Com*, 737 Broad Street Ext., Waterford, (860) 442-9999

• **Gregg Swanson, Nancy Dragoli & Cheryl Siegmann**, *Swanson & Dragoli Insurance*, 63 Hayward Ave, Colchester, (860) 537-5377

Business Briefs

• Congratulations **Sunset Graphics** on celebrating your *15th anniversary* of being in business! Founded in 1995 by owner Sarah Van Dyke-Ewan, they provide graphic design and web site services to local and national clients. Contact: info@sunsetgraphics.com

• **Overhead Door of Norwich** invites you to join them at the *16th Annual Home Show* at the Expo Center in Hartford, March 5-7. Visit their booth and find out about energy efficient garage doors, hurricane protection and awnings. Browse over 500 vendors for home renovation projects. (860) 889-3848

• **Dental Arts of Colchester** is celebrating their *5th anniversary* of providing dental care at 188 Norwich Avenue. In order to further improve services and increase care hours, Dr. Roach-Decker and her staff welcomes **Dr. Karen Daly** to the practice. She lives in East Hampton with her husband and daughter. (860) 537-3521

• **Copies Plus...more** is offering a special now through July 1 for *schools, town sports teams and organizations*. For 200 copies or more pay a reduced rate of 7 cents for b/w one sided copy on white copy paper, or 9 cents for b/w one side copy on colored paper (blue, yellow, or pink). (860) 537-0082

• **The Sanctuary Center for Healing** recently developed a new line of inspirational items, *Spirit-To-Spirit™*, including jewelry, clothing, trinkets, chakra and energy symbols, and more. The healing retreat center that provides counseling, healing and spiritual services. (860) 316-7530

• **Ginger Pensa and William Raveis Liberty Real Estate** collected over 150 toys in the Toys for Tots campaign. They would like to *thank everyone* that donated and helped to make the holidays happy for so many families and children in need. (860) 537-3425

• **Three Rivers Community College** will host a series of *free workshops* for established small businesses whose business strategies include growth with the federal, state, and municipal markets. Content includes marketing tips, resources/programs available, finding available bids, developing proposals, and networking with large companies. For more information contact Lisa Powell, SBA: (860) 240-4892

CBA Members Save \$!

Association members can take advantage of Member-to-Member discounts by using their membership cards at participating businesses. You can too! Join today. www.cba.bz