



# NEWSLETTER

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**TRIBURY**  
*Chamber of Commerce*

## Tribury Chamber of Commerce Elects New Board Members

The Tribury Chamber recently elected two new members to its Board of Directors, Colleen Burne of Century 21 Home Services, Southbury and "The Burne Group of Century 21 and Anthony Minchella of Minchella & Associates, LLC., Attorneys and Counselors at Law in Middlebury.

Colleen is a Realtor® with Century 21 Home Services Scalzo in Southbury. Colleen's professional background includes extensive experience in Sales and Marketing has been with CENTURY 21 Home Services since 1994. A consistent top performer, Colleen has been honored with multiple Century 21 Centurion Sales Awards and has been ranked as one of the top agents in the Greater Waterbury area. She is a member of the National Association of Realtors, Connecticut Association of Realtors, Connecticut Statewide MLS, Greater Waterbury Board of Realtors, Fairfield County MLS, and a Certified Cartus Relocation & Marketing Specialist. Colleen is a lifelong Southbury resident and enjoys spending time with her 5 grandchildren.



Tony is the principal of Minchella & Associates, L.L.C. His business clients range from Fortune 50 companies and financial institutions, retail giants, and specialty products companies to mid to small size Connecticut businesses. He represents these clients in employment and business litigation, with an emphasis on trade secret, non-competition and unfair trade practice issues. Tony graduated magna cum laude from Quinnipiac University School of Law, and passed the New Jersey, New York and Connecticut bar exams. He then practiced with large and small firms before opening his boutique litigation practice in July 2003. Tony lives in Middlebury with his wife, Jennifer, and three sons.

***Chamber After Dark at Juniper's Restaurant, Middlebury***  
**March 12, 2009**

**Sponsored by Minchella and Associates and Thomaston Savings Bank**

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## **We Welcome Our Newest Members**

### **Vanderlaan Law Group, LLC**

Maria Pepe Vanderlaan  
Southbury  
203-264-7300

### **World Innovators, Inc.**

Donna Peterson  
Roxbury  
860-210-8088

## **The Chamber to Host Business Expo**

The Tribury Chamber of Commerce will be celebrating its 6th Anniversary on May 7th at the Crowne Plaza, Southbury, from 4:30-7:30 PM. The event will be a Business Expo, with table-top displays from our members. For the \$10.00 cost of admission, we are offering our members, at no additional cost, an opportunity to showcase their businesses to the Chamber as well as the public. Your business will be able to sell products and services at the event. We are requesting that you provide a raffle item to be drawn by you at your table during the evening. Space is limited, to reserve your display table and to find out more information contact Donna Klim at [dklim@triburychamber.org](mailto:dklim@triburychamber.org)

The evening should be great opportunity to network, show what your business does and will be filled with great raffle prizes.

Sponsorships are available for the evening at a cost of \$150.00, please contact the Chamber as soon as possible if you are interested as sponsorships will be limited.



**"Barbara Branagan-Mitchell of Branagan Communications Consultants speaks at a recent Educational Lunch on Publicizing your Business, Less Expensive Than Advertising & More Impact**



**Karen Tracy of Newtown Savings Bank, Carey St. Martin and Holly Peterson of River Glen Health Center and Elizabeth Connolly of Lutheran Home of Southbury**



**Len Volpe of Newtown savings Bank, Curt Lindolm of Avery Jet, Rick Howe of the Longwood Inn and Scott Beecher of Beecher Appraisals**

**Look for Photos of the Most Recent Events on our Website  
[www.triburychamber.org](http://www.triburychamber.org)**

## PROMOTE YOUR BUSINESS WITH THE CHAMBER

Donate a door prize at the next Chamber After Dark. Contact [dklim@triburychamber.org](mailto:dklim@triburychamber.org)

### NEWTOWN SAVINGS BANK

invites you to attend a

*Business Networking Reception  
& Ribbon Cutting Ceremony*  
at the Bank's beautiful new Southbury location

Wednesday, March 25th  
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
685 Main Street South  
(across from the Post Office)  
Southbury, CT

Hors d'oeuvres & beverages will be served

Co-Hosted by:  
Southbury Business Association  
Tribury Chamber of Commerce

Reservations Requested by March 23rd  
Tanya Wulff Truax

Email: [Ttruax@nsbonline.com](mailto:Ttruax@nsbonline.com) or call 203-426-4440 x3079



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### Sponsor Spotlight

## Thomaston Savings Bank

Thomaston Savings Bank is a full service community financial institution. We are dedicated to providing financial services of the highest quality and value to our customers.

Thomaston Savings Bank is a state chartered mutual savings bank, incorporated in 1874 with branches in Thomaston, Watertown, Terryville, Harwinton, Bethlehem, Waterbury and Middlebury.

Since 1874, Thomaston Savings Bank has been an integral part of the local community, dedicated to providing financial services of the highest quality and value. We are committed to the communities in which we do business. We have continually assisted in strengthening and supporting charitable, health, public safety, arts and educational programs through grants by Thomaston Savings Bank Foundation, Inc.

## Educational Lunches Set

The Chamber will be hosting two Educational Lunches on back to back Tuesdays, at Juniper's Restaurant, Middlebury, from 11:30-1:00 PM. On March 31st, Tom Hill III, local businessman with over 30, years experience in the commercial and industrial real estate field, will be speaking on "Surviving & Profiting in a Difficult Economy". He will be sharing techniques that he is using to assist his own clients in these uncertain times. The following Tuesday, April 7th, Attorney Tony Minchella of Minchella and Associates will be presenting "Protecting Business Assets with Non-Competition and Non-Solicitation Agreements", and how they can protect your intangible assets. The cost is \$10.00 for members and non-members R.S.V.P. required go to [www.triburychamber.org](http://www.triburychamber.org) or call 203-267-4466

## Coffee & Connect

The next morning networking meeting will be March 24, 2009 and will be held on the last Tuesday of the month at Kensington Green in Southbury from 7:45 – 9:00 AM. Each member has 60 seconds to share information about their business and what they are looking for in a lead. Every month 2 members will be "Spotlighted" for a more in depth look at their business.

A light breakfast will be served. \$5.00 per person R.S.VP to [www.triburychamber.org](http://www.triburychamber.org) or call 267-4466

## GOLF TOURNAMENT JULY 20TH

Let us know if you would like to be a sponsor, play or help plan this annual event.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tuesday, March 12th**

### ***Chamber After Dark***

*Sponsored by Thomaston Savings  
& Minchella and Associates*

Juniper's, Middlebury 5:30 - 7:30

**Tuesday, March 24th**

### ***Coffee & Connect***

Kensington Green, Southbury 7:45 - 9:00 am

**Tuesday, March 31st**

### ***Educational Lunch***

*"Surviving and Profiting in a Difficult Economy"*  
*Presented by Tom Hill III*

Juniper's Restaurant, Middlebury 11:30 - 1:00

**Tuesday, April 7th**

### ***Educational Lunch***

*"Protecting Business Assets with Non-Competition  
and Non-Solicitation Agreements"*  
*Presented by Attorney Tony Minchella*

Juniper's Restaurant, Middlebury 11:30 - 1:00

**Thursday, May 7th**

### ***Business Expo Chamber After Dark***

Crowne Plaza, Woodbury 4:30 - 7:30