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Thursday, September 20 | 674 W Center Street, West Bridgewater (former Charlie Horse) | 7:30 AM

good morning Metro South

Host: Sponsor:



District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz



Christopher Carlozzi, NFIB



Ryan Kearney, RAM



Mark your calendars for the kick-off of this year's Good Morning Metro South season! Our first Good Morning program in the series will take place on **Thursday, September 20 from 7:30 am - 9:00 am at Barrett's Conference Center located at 674 West Center Street in West Bridgewater (former Charlie Horse)** and will feature three guest speakers; District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz; Christopher Carlozzi, NFIB/Massachusetts State Director, and Ryan Kearney, General Counsel at RAM.

This program is sponsored by UMass Boston, which is nationally recognized as a model of excellence for urban public universities. The scenic waterfront campus, with easy access to downtown Boston, is located next to the John F. Kennedy Library and Presidential Museum, the Commonwealth Museum and Massachusetts State Archives, and the Edward M. Kennedy Institute for the United States Senate. UMass Boston's first-ever residence halls just opened last week where over 1,000 students moved in, marking an important milestone for the university as it becomes a residential 24/7 campus.

You can register online at www.metroouthchamber.com/calendar-registration or by contacting Erin Lawrence at ELawrence@metroouthchamber.com or at (508) 586-0500 x 231. Tickets are \$25 for members and \$35 for future-members. Tables of ten are also available for \$250. *Continued on page 2.*

Bring Your Team

105th ANNUAL meeting

November 14, 2018

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Wednesday, November 14, 2018

TC (Teen Challenge) Center
1315 Main St, Brockton



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new location!

ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON: 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Luncheon Speaker: Maria Milagros Vazquez, author of Super Sparkly Everything

Maria Milagros (Vazquez)

"Maria Milagros (Vazquez) is a speaker, an author, storyteller and empowerment life coach. Whether sharing her life experiences and knowledge through impactful talks, workshops, leadership training, life coaching or videos, Maria uses stories to bring encouragement, education and love to empower others to get out of their way and break free from any hindering thoughts or beliefs, so that they can live amazing lives and leave their unique and positive mark on the world. She knows that no matter where you come from, what you've been through, or what you have done, love, connection and personal responsibility can change every area of your life." At the luncheon, there will also be awards, special give-aways, music, and more as we celebrate 105 years of serving the business community. Tickets are \$100 per member and benefit the Metro South Chamber Education Foundation, Business Assistance Center, and Chamber Innovation Fund.

BUSINESS-2- BUSINESS EXPO: 10:30 am - 12:00 pm • 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm

The Business-2-Business Expo is a great opportunity to reach 500 business people throughout the Metro South region. Designed to be a personal table-top expo, presenters will be provided with meaningful opportunities to promote their company to prospect after prospect. It is the right place, the right time, and the right audience. The cost for an Expo table is \$499 for members, \$599 for future-members. Reserve your space now, Expo tables will run out. The Expo is free to walk the floor.



It's Still Summer BAH @
D'Agostino Insurance

D'AGOSTINO INSURANCE

On Thursday, September 13th, R.F. D'Agostino Insurance Agency will hold a Business After Hours at 111 Torrey Street, Suite #1 in Brockton, 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm. Enjoy food from Deag's Local Diner and a chance to win Red Sox tickets as well as other prizes!

Founded in 1986 by Ron D'Agostino, R.F. D'Agostino Insurance Agency is a full service insurance agency, whose goal is to be their clients' go to resource for personal and business insurance and financial planning needs. Join us to celebrate their 32nd year serving the greater Brockton area. Visit www.rfdinsurance.com for more information.

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Meet Your Legislators!



The Metro South Chamber of Commerce cordially invites members of the business community, candidates for public office, and state, federal and local elected officials to gather on Wednesday, October 3rd for the 29th Annual Legislative and Candidates Reception. The reception will be held at Donahue Hall, at Stonehill College in Easton from 5:00 - 7:30 pm.

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It's Still Summer - After Hours @ D'Agostino Ins.

Thursday, September 13 | 111 Torrey Street, Suite #1, Brockton



Please join us for an end of summer Business After Hours on Thursday, September 13th from 5:00 - 7:30 pm at D'Agostino Insurance, located 111 Torrey Street, Suite #1 in Brockton.

Enjoy food from Deag's Local Diner as well as beer, wine, and soft drinks; and as always, networking with other members of the Metro South Community!

Plymouth Rock Assurance's mascot, Otto, will spin the prize wheel and be available for photos. There will also be giveaways provided by Progressive, and Red Sox tickets as the door prize!

"As an independent agency, we can help you find the perfect combination of coverage and price to fit your unique needs. We watch out for you, and we take the time to educate our customers on the insurance that they are buying. We want to help you protect the things that you care and work hard for." Visit rfdinsurance.com for more information.

Don't forget your business cards! Tickets to this event are complimentary, but please RSVP in advance. Register online at www.metroouthchamber.com/calendar-registration or by e-mailing your RSVP with your full name and company name to Erin at ELawrence@metroouthchamber.com



29th Annual Legislative Reception 10/3

Wednesday, October 3 | Donahue Hall, Stonehill College



You are cordially invited to attend the 29th Annual Legislative Reception on Wednesday, October 3, 2018 from 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm. This is a casual event at which business leaders, elected officials, and candidates for public office can discuss important issues while enjoying complimentary refreshments and hors d'oeuvres. It will take place at Stonehill College's Donahue Hall on 320 Washington Street in North Easton.

The Metro South Chamber Legislative Reception is an excellent and cost-effective way for you, your key staff, and colleagues to initiate or renew face-to-face contacts at the state, federal, and local level. We encourage you to participate and support the unified voice of the Metro South Chamber of Commerce. Together, we can ensure that government understands and supports the needs and concerns of the business community in our region.

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STONEHILL COLLEGE

More Upcoming Autumn Networking 10/18

Mark your calendar for upcoming networking events taking place this summer & autumn! Enjoy networking, refreshments, and raffles. For more information and to register to attend, visit metroouthchamber.com/calendar.



Thursday, October 18 | 7 Mill Street, Middleborough



Join us Thursday, October 18th from 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm for a Business After Hours, an evening of networking at

Wood Palace Kitchens, located at 7 Mill Street in Middleborough.

Good Morning Metro South: About the Speakers

Thursday, September 20 | 674 W Center Street, West Bridgewater | 7:30 AM



District Attorney, Timothy J. Cruz

"Timothy J. Cruz has served as the Plymouth County District Attorney since November, 2001. During his tenure he has aggressively prosecuted crime in Plymouth County while working closely with the federal, state, and local law enforcement. Most recently, DA Cruz has focused his office's efforts on battling the opioid crisis at all levels. DA Cruz has served as a member of the Massachusetts Office for Victim Assistance; Department of Corrections Advisory Council; Governor's Council on Capital Punishment; and the Forensic Technology Subcommittee of the Governor's Commission on Criminal Justice Innovation. He has also served two terms as the President of the Massachusetts District Attorneys Association."



"Christopher Carozzi was named Massachusetts State Director of NFIB in June 2017. Prior to being named State Director, Carozzi spent the last nine years as NFIB Grassroots Manager working with small business owners in Massachusetts and the other five New England states. Here he learned firsthand from business owners the issues directly impacting their businesses. Carozzi was responsible for educational programs, membership advocacy and raising awareness on vital small business issues such as healthcare, taxation, regulations and labor matters. He worked to involve NFIB members across New England in the legislative process. Aside from working directly with NFIB members across New England, he worked to enact legislation that would help small businesses in both the Massachusetts and Rhode Island Legislatures. Carozzi spent 3 years working in the Massachusetts General Court for Assistant Minority Whip, State Representative John Lepper. Upon graduation, he managed two United State Congressional campaigns in Pennsylvania and New Jersey. Carozzi received his bachelor's degree from the University of Massachusetts Amherst. He was raised in Brockton and now resides in Malden."



Christopher Carozzi, NFIB State Director



Ryan Kearney, RAM

"Ryan joined RAM in February 2011 as General Counsel for the association. As member of the Massachusetts Bar Association and a registered Massachusetts lobbyist, Ryan is responsible for advocating on behalf of RAM members before all levels of state government as well as ensuring association compliance with state statutory and regulatory requirements. Ryan is also responsible for the management of the association's small business health insurance cooperative and serves as the staff representative on the association's Loss Prevention Committee. Before coming to RAM, Ryan spent five years working for the Joint Committee on Financial Services Committee within the Massachusetts Legislature. He joined the committee staff in 2006 as a policy analyst specializing in property/casualty and life insurance issues. Ryan attended Suffolk University, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Government and studied law at Suffolk University Law School, graduating in 2009 with a Juris Doctor degree. Ryan resides in Somerville with his wife Meghan, daughters Bronwyn and Greta, and dog Simon."



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Bring yourself and your entire team! Contact Erin Lawrence for more information or to register. Call (508) 586-0500 x 231, or email ELawrence@metroouthchamber.com.

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CHAMBER Calendar

Networking at events is one of the most effective ways to grow your business!

Sept.

- 5** **Ambassador Meeting** 8:00 am
- 13** **Business After Hours** 5:00 pm
D'Agostino Insurance, 111 Torrey Street, Suite #1, Brockton
- 20** **Good Morning Metro South** 7:30 am
*District Attorney Cruz & The "Grand Bargain" Explained
 Barrett's Conference Center, 674 West Center St, West Bridgewater*

Oct.

- 3** **Legislative Reception** 5:00 pm
Donahue Hall, Stonehill College, 320 Washington St., North Easton
- 10** **Ambassador Meeting** 8:00 am
- 16** **Executive Board Meeting** 3:00 pm
- 18** **Business After Hours** 5:00 pm
Wood Palace Kitchens, 7 Mill Street, Middleborough
- 24** **Good Morning Metro South** 7:30 am
Concord Foods, LLC, 10 Minuteman Way, Brockton

31 **Board Meeting** 12:00 pm

Nov.

- 7** **Ambassador Meeting** 8:00 am
- 14** **Annual Meeting & Business Expo** 10:30 am

The Ambassador Team meets on a monthly basis to serve fellow members by providing information, resources, member-to-member support, increasing awareness and promoting active participation in Chamber programs and services. To learn more, please email Doris at doris@metrosouthchamber.com. The next meeting will be held on September 5th at 8:00 am at the Chamber.



Impact.

It takes the right tools to start or grow a business. And it takes customers to keep business growing. The Metro South Chamber of Commerce builds strong businesses and communities by connecting you to new customers and suppliers, as well as to those who influence the local economy and quality of life. Access to the right tools. One more way the Chamber makes an impact.



To join the chamber call 508.586.0500 or visit www.metroouthchamber.com

Note: All meetings are held at the Metro South Chamber Office or Metro South Business Assistance Center (BAC), Sixty School Street, Brockton unless otherwise indicated.

GOOD News

Fuller Craft Museum Current Exhibitions: "Assembly: Recent Acquisitions" Reception

Assembly: Recent Acquisitions is an exhibition of works brought together to highlight Fuller Craft Museum's mission as an institution preserving and exhibiting artistic achievements in craft-based media. Curated from pieces brought into the Permanent Collection between January 2015 – July 2018, these handcrafted marvels explore material, process, and self-expression providing a snapshot of the happenings in craft today. Also in Assembly are literary responses to the works, coming from the staff and clients of Writers Without Margins and Bridge Over Troubled Waters. Fuller Craft Museum would like to acknowledge the generosity of the artists and donors who continue to build the institution's Permanent Collection through their creativity and generosity. A reception will be held on Thursday, September 27th from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. To learn more, visit fullercraft.org.

DJ Dream Fund Game Changer FUNdraiser

The DJ Henry Dream Fund invites you to a new style "FUNdraiser" to support and honor the DJ Henry Dream Fund on Saturday, October 20 at the Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel, starting at 5:30pm. This high energy evening of activities, games, and dancing will bring out your childhood spirit. The goal of the DJ Henry Dream Fund is to share DJ's love of sports by providing the financial resources to enable children and young adults the say "YES" to health lifestyles through athletics, wellness, and arts programs. Visit djdreamfund.org for more info.

BAWIB Open House: New Brand

Save the Date, Brockton Area Workforce Investment Board (BAWIB) will raise the curtain on their new brand on Thursday,

Members - send Good News to estratton@metrosouthchamber.com

Sponsored by: Good Samaritan Medical Center

September 27 from 3:00 - 6:00 pm at 34 School Street in Brockton. Call (508) 584-3234 or visit bawib.org for more information.

14th Annual D.W. Field Triathlon

Bike, Boat & Run Triathlon will be held Sunday, September 23 at 9:00am in memory of Dave Regan. This event challenging for elites and also a great start for first-timers. The triathlon will include a 14 mile bike ride, 2 mile kayak/canoe route, and 4 mile run. For more info and to register, visit dwftriathlon.org, call (508) 942-1920, or send an email to dwftriathlon@gmail.com.

Otis Civilian Advisory Council: Golf Fundraiser



Ever play the Falcon golf course on Cape Cod? Help military families and have some fun! Enjoy golf, cart & dinner Saturday, September 29 at the Falcon Golf Course in Buzzards Bay, shotgun start at 10:00am. Proceeds will benefit the troops and families at Joint Base Cape Cod. Deadline to register is September 22. Contact John Scanlon for info: (508) 889-7504 / johnscanlan@industriaenergy.com.

BSU Internship & Job Fair

The Internship & Job Fair is a great way for employers to meet a large number of candidates looking for internships and or full time professional positions. This event is open to all Bridgewater State University students, alumni and community members. This year's event is on Wednesday, September 26, from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. For more info, contact Bridgewater State University Career Services, (508) 531-1328.

Hispanic Heritage Day @ Brockton Public Library

Saturday, September 15th at the

Lingos Auditorium at the Main Library. Celebrate Hispanic Heritage! Enjoy music, dancers, singers, and the history of Hispanic heritage by Juan Moncada. Contact Malice Veiga for more information. Call (508) 580-7890 x 205 or send an email to mveiga@cobma.us.

Volunteer Opportunities: Case Reviewers

DCF seeks volunteer case reviewers to assist in monitoring progress toward establishing permanent living situations for children. This is your opportunity to help identify services in your community to assist families working with DCF. Apply online at mass.gov/DCF.

Greek Festival 2018

Join Annunciation Brockton for the 2018 Greek Festival, the Premier Greek Festival on the South Shore! September 20, 21, 22 & 23. Featuring all your favorites: Baked Lamb, Pork and Chicken Souvlaki, Pastitsio, Moussaka, Spanakopita, Dolmathes and Gyros along with hand-made pastries and Loukoumathes! Children's Activities, Greek Shopping in our Marketplace, Church Tours, Live Greek Music, Greek Dancing Demonstrations and much more! Take out will be available during lunch hours on Thursday and Friday. Visit annunciationbrockton.org/greekfestival to learn more.

Stonehill College Expands w/\$25 Million Bond

MassDevelopment issued a \$25 million tax-exempt bond for Stonehill College to partially demolish an existing building and to build, furnish, and equip a three-story, 65,000-square-foot building in its place. This facility will house the newly established Leo J. Meehan School of Business. Century Subsidiary Investments Inc. III purchased the bond. Read more at bit.ly/2Nlpi9q.

Mansfield Bank Welcomes Karen Dayton

Mansfield Bank recently announced Karen Dayton as the new Business

Development and Government Banking Officer. Karen has spent her career building meaningful relationships. Customers rely on her personalized approach and wide-ranging experience, which includes a decade of bank branch management, financial consultancy and professional services network development. Her vast network of contacts allows her to provide business clients with solutions on any range of topics. She spends much of her time working with cities and towns, to strategize the placement of funds to support the needs of our communities.

Human Resources Professional Development Programs Available at Massasoit

Massasoit Community College will offer a series of Professional Development Courses in September and October on their Brockton & Canton Campuses. Topics include Time Management (9/26 & 10/30), Cultural Competency (9/27 & 10/4), Preventing Discrimination & Sexual Harassment (9/27 & 10/4), and Communicating for Impact and Results (10/19 & 10/26). For more information, contact Steve Litcoff, Associate Director of Corporate Education at Massasoit Community College. (508) 588-9100 x1322, or visit massasoit.edu/corporateeducation.

Interactive Forum on Systemic Racism & its Impact on Health, hosted at BSU

The Greater Brockton Health Alliance (CHNA 22) Presents an Interactive Forum on Systemic Racism & its Impact on Health on Tuesday, September 25th from 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm at the Dana Mohler-Faria Science & Math Building Auditorium at Bridgewater State University, 24 Park Avenue, Bridgewater. Keynote Speaker: Dr. Kamal Jethwani, MD MPH Senior Director, Connected Health Innovation, Partners HealthCare Assistant Professor, Harvard Medical School. To learn more and register visit www.tinyurl.com/GBHAForum.

Health Care Matters

Good Samaritan Medical Center Presents Donation to Make-A-Wish

Good Samaritan Medical Center president, Harrison Bane, presented a donation to Jo-Anne Spillane, Vice President of Corporate Alliances and Events for Make-a-Wish Massachusetts and Rhode Island on Tuesday July 17, 2018.

Good Samaritan Medical Center recently completed a fundraising campaign to benefit Make-A-Wish

of Massachusetts and Rhode Island. The hospital set a goal to raise \$8,000 – the average cost of one wish – and met that goal through donations from employees, the Medical Staff, Steward Medical Group, and Steward Health Care Network. The donation will be directed toward the wish of a local child.

"We were honored to partner with the Make-A-Wish Foundation of MA and RI in this effort," said Harry Bane,

President, Good Samaritan Medical Center. "As care givers we know all too well the impact an illness can have on a family and the importance of finding joy and celebration to help the healing process." Ms. Spillane accepted the check and presented Mr. Bane with a framed print of a drawing made by a wish child.

Good Samaritan Medical Center is celebrating 50 years of caring for the community, The hospital has had

several events to commemorate the anniversary; for event updates please visit www.goodsamaritanmedical.org or follow the hospital on Facebook.



(L-R) Jason Zauls, MD, Radiation Oncology Chief and Medical Staff President; Jo-Anne Spillane; Harrison Bane; and Kathleen Wigley, Patient Access

Manager and 50th anniversary core committee planning member.

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105th Annual Meeting & Business Expo

SAVE THE DATE!

Wednesday, November 14, 2018
 10:30 am - 3:00 pm
 TC Center (Teen Challenge)
 1315 Main Street, Brockton



ANNUAL MEETING LUNCHEON

12:00 pm - 12:45 pm

Join other business people & community leaders and attend the Annual Meeting to celebrate businesses working together for the future of the Metro South Region. The Annual Meeting will feature author Maria Milagros Vazquez as well as networking, awards, and raffles. Attendees will receive a special giveaway. The cost to attend is \$100 for members and \$135 for future members. Tables of 10 are available for \$1000. For information and to reserve your ticket, contact Erin Lawrence at (508) 586-0500 x 231 or email ELawrence@metrosouthchamber.com. You may also purchase tickets online at www.metroouthchamber.com/calendar-registration.

BUSINESS-TO-BUSINESS EXPO

10:30 am - 3:00 pm

At the Expo, explore the products and services of value to your business and profitable business contacts with over five hundred attendees. Be sure to schedule time either before or after the annual meeting to participate in the Business-to-Business Expo.

Reserve Your Booth Space Now:

The Business-to-Business Expo is a great opportunity to reach five hundred business people throughout the Metro South region. Designed to be a personal table-top expo, presenters will be provided with meaningful opportunities to promote their company to prospect after prospect. It is the right place, the right time and the right audience. The cost of a table is \$499 for members. (Future-Member rate: \$599). Since space is limited, registrations are on a first come, first served basis. To reserve your table, call Erin Lawrence, at (508) 586-0500 x 231.



Metro South Chamber is
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Become a Season Ticket Holder
 2018 - 2019



The new season of Metro South Chamber events is about to begin, and we want you to be there! Reserve your 2018 - 2019 Season Ticket now and get access to events all year long. The season ticket includes:

- All Good Morning Metro South Programs (5 Programs, \$125 value)
 - All Business After Hours (12, up to \$60 value)
 - Annual Legislative Reception (\$5 value)
 - Annual Legislative Luncheon (\$44 value)
 - ATHENA Award Luncheon (\$39 value)
 - Small Business Awards Luncheon (\$39 value)
 - 1 Taste of Metro South Ticket (\$35 value)
- All for just \$249 (Savings of \$100+)

SEASON TICKET AND ADDITIONAL SAVINGS OPTIONS

Season Ticket: # _____ Discounted Tickets x \$249 = \$ _____
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Teen Challenge recently invested more than two million dollars in their Brockton Campus. Improvements include a new office building, multi-use conference center, mechanics garage, workforce training facility and dorms. Teen Challenge opened in Brockton more than 50 years ago and has been a member of the chamber for decades. Chef Charles Hermann is a graduate of the Culinary Institute of America and helped design the new commercial kitchen on-site.



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

Sponsoring the Annual Meeting and EXPO offers your company exposure to the local business community and creates awareness for your products and services. Sponsorships can be tailored to fit your company needs. Call Erin Lawrence at (508) 586-0500 x 231 or email ELawrence@metrosouthchamber.com.

Summer Networking with Crescent Credit Union

This Summer Sizzler Sparkled! More than 125 business and community leaders gathered on the lawn of the historic Ames Mansion (Donahue Hall) on the campus of Stonehill College in Easton to celebrate summer and some fantastic networking. Crescent Credit Union sponsored the celebration for the fourth year, drawing many to enjoy the summer evening while making and renewing business contacts.

Want to host or sponsor a Business After Hours networking event of your own? Contact Erin Lawrence at the chamber for details on how to take advantage of all the benefits of a chamber partnered networking event. Call (508) 586-0500 x 231 or email ELawrence@metrosouthchamber.com



Live jazz performance by The Alley Quartet



Robert Gustafson and Jonah Wein, Crescent Credit Union



Michele Wein-Crelly, Michele's Massage Studio; Jackie Lupica, Fuller Craft Museum; Ashley Dallaire, Elite Health and Fitness; Keri Martino-Pickett; Makeovers Salon & Spa.



Reiko McNeil, Bridgewater Savings Bank; Robert Gustafson, Crescent Credit U. William Stadelmann, Stadelmann Electrical Service; Chris Cooney, MSCC.



Massachusetts Senator Michael Brady and Gwendolyn Gavin, Fuller Craft Museum.



Senior VP and Publisher for Gatehouse Media Mark Olivieri, and Chief Executive Officer Robert Gustafson of Crescent Credit Union. (Marc Vasconcellos/The Enterprise)



Ribbon Cutting @ Floor & Decor in Avon



Ribbon Cutting at Floor & Decor Avon location



A warehouse-format allows for approx. 3,400 products in store.



Food courtesy of Foley's Backstreet Grille



Lucky winner of the Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Crew Cab

Floor & Decor, a leading specialty retailer of hard-surface flooring, opened the doors to its new Avon location on August 8, 2018. This is not only the company's first store in Massachusetts, but the first in New England!

The 83,200-square-foot Floor & Decor retail store and design center, located at 80 Stockwell Drive in Avon, opened with a team of about 50 employees led by Rich Erath, the new store's Chief Executive Merchant.

"Floor & Decor is thrilled to open our doors in Avon," said Erath. "With the launch of our first store in the state, we are committed to providing customers with an extensive array of flooring products at unbeatable prices, and we look forward to forming relationships with this great community, one shopper at a time."

Established in 2000, Georgia-based Floor & Decor offers homeowners and professional contractors access to a superstore range of selections at warehouse prices with showroom quality. Each Floor & Decor location is bolstered by a local focus that creates a store experience and mix of products meeting the needs of each market served. Floor & Decor offers free design services, as well as a dedicated pro sales team, and carries over 1 million square feet of in-stock flooring.

Their Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting catered by Foley's Backstreet Grille, featured a plethora of prize giveaways including flat screen TVs, tablets, gift cards, and a Chevrolet Silverado 1500 Crew Cab. [All photos courtesy of Rich Morgan Photography.]

Ribbon Cutting in Bridgewater @ ACS



On Tuesday, August 7th 2018, Alternative Compassion Services (ACS) located at 693 Elm Street, Bridgewater, opened their state-of-the-art cultivation, production & retail facility to serve patients seeking treatment in the form of symptom specific, high-quality Medical Cannabis.

ACS is a registered medical marijuana dispensary. "At Alternative Compassion Services our vision is simple and is reflected in our name. We believe that patients deserve a friendly, safe, and professional environment to obtain Medical Cannabis. Compassion for patients and superior product quality are our hallmarks. Our core values of Quality, Integrity, and Safety set ACS apart from other Medical Marijuana dispensaries in Massachusetts." For more information, visit acscompassion.com.

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Ribbon Cutting @ Water Pointe, Easton

The Chamber helped Douglas King open the doors of his newest residency in Easton on July 26th with a Ribbon Cutting and Business After Hours evening of networking. Water Pointe, located at 8 Island Court, offers 5 different floor plans and the perfect balance for people seeking city-level luxury and carefree homes at country prices. The Chamber was also joined by the Mandela Washington Fellows hosted by Bridgewater State University for the fourth year, as well as the Brockton Rotary Club, where newly elected President, Richard Hooke of Crescent Credit Union spoke. To learn more about Water Pointe, visit www.waterpointehome.com.



Douglas King, Douglas A. King Builders, developer of Water Pointe, cuts the celebratory ribbon during the Grand Opening. Gerry Nadeau, Chamber Chair and Fred Clark, Chair Elect, join him.



The 2018 Mandela Washington Fellows gather in a Water Pointe model room with Chris Cooney, MSCC; Gerry Nadeau, Rockland Trust; Douglas King, Douglas A. King Builders; and President Fred Clark, Bridgewater State University.



Gerry Nadeau, Chair of the Board; Lawrenta Jacinta Igoh, Mandela Fellow; Richard Hooke, Brockton Rotary Club.



Exterior view of Water Pointe Condos (Easton) w/balconies.



Model kitchen / living room area, high ceilings throughout.



Bedroom model, oversized windows.



David Boehm, BSU Intern Meets w/SEED Leadership



Chris Cooney, Chamber CEO; Dick Schafer, SEED; David Boehm, BSU Intern at the Chamber; Maria Gooch Smith, SEED.

David Boehm recently completed a summer internship with the Metro South Chamber of Commerce. David had several opportunities to meet with business and community leaders throughout the summer. Most recently, David attended a SEED Corporation Board meeting where he met Chairman, Dick Schafer and CEO, Maria Gooch Smith. SEED provides financing for small businesses statewide. Visit seedcorp.com to learn more.

Ribbon Cutting in Brockton, Johnny's Burgers



Johnny's Burgers, Chicken and Fish opened at the site of the old Jimmy's Donuts and Coffee at 168 Pleasant Street in Brockton. Dozens of people lined up to congratulate the new chef and owners in July. "It's great to see this site revitalized with such an exciting chef and owner. The food is tasty and the facility bright and attractive", said Chamber president and CEO, Chris Cooney. Johnny's is open for lunch and dinner.

The Mayor of Brockton and family members cut the ribbon for a grand opening.

Rotary Club of Brockton Turns 100



Richard Hooke, Officer Ernie Bell, and Vinnie Marturano



Richard Hooke and John D. McLaughlin

The Rotary Club of Brockton turns 100 this year. The centennial is marked by many activities and programs. Recently, certificates of recognition were presented to seven Rotarians for their extraordinary leadership and contributions. In addition, Officer Ernie Bell, was recognized for his long standing leadership as a police officer and detective in Brockton. The Rotary Club of Brockton meets each Thursday at Thorny Lea Golf Club. To learn more visit www.brocktonrotary.org.

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MOITI, through a grant from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) and in collaboration with the Massachusetts Small Business Development Center Network ("MSBDC") and the Massachusetts Export Center, will provide grants to eligible Massachusetts small businesses for the purpose of increasing export sales of their goods and services.

Eligibility: To qualify for STEP program funding, a business must meet the definition of an "eligible small business concern" under Section 503 of the Trade Facilitation and Trade Enforcement Act of 2015. For more information, visit www.msdbc.org/export/step.

Prostate Cancer Awareness Day Info Session



In partnership with Brockton Area Branch NAACP and AdMeTech Foundation, Good Samaritan Medical Center will offer a free informational session about prostate health on **Thursday, September 27th from 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm at the Moakley Conference Center @ Good Samaritan Medical Center, located at 235 N. Pearl Street in Brockton.**

Learn about novel and minimally invasive approaches to prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of prostate cancer and benign conditions from health leaders and help end the prostate cancer crisis in our community. Guest speakers and dinner will be provided. For more information, please visit goodsamaritanmedical.org/prostate-health or call (508) 427-2753.

Health Fair Offers Educational Info Session

Connemara Senior Living Campello will host a Health Fair in partnership with Signature Healthcare. Visit Connemara, located at 25 East Nilsson Street in Brockton on **Saturday, September 29th from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm.** This event is free to the public and will offer healthy snacks, hearing aide cleaning, blood pressure screenings, blood sugar screenings, balance testing, cholesterol screenings, educational information sessions, and fitness demonstrations, as well as all the information you need to stay healthy. Questions? Call (508) 588-5334 or visit connemaraseniorliving.com for more info.



Anawan Street Productions films TV Show at MSCC



Anawan Street Productions team of actors & producers with Chamber President Chris Cooney.

This summer, over a recent weekend, the Chamber offices became the scene of new video production of a situation comedy. Brockton based Anawan Street Productions wrapped up work on the project for a client. Most of the early scenes were shot in Quincy but the cast and crew were happy to work a little closer to home in Brockton. The Chamber was happy to provide the space and looks forward to viewing the final production in the coming months.

Ambassador of the Quarter: Richard Hooke!



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What is your business?

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How long have you been in this business?

I've been in banking for 22 years.

Please list your past experience and educational background.

I have experience in collections/credit, as well as branch management. I also worked for the F.D.I.C. in the Liquidation Department for 10 years.

How long have you belonged to the Chamber? When did you become an Ambassador?

I've belonged to the Chamber for 12 years, and I started my role as an Ambassador at that time as well.

How does your Chamber membership work for you?

It's a great opportunity to get out & impact people in a positive way.

What additional community organizations do you belong to, if any?

I serve on the Board of Governors for the Old Colony YMCA. I'm also a Rotarian and was recently elected President of the Brockton Rotary Club.

Dan Evans Speaks to DBA at Chamber



Dan Evans, Evan's Machine Company speaks to Downtown Brockton Association (DBA).

Dan Evans, owner of Evan's Machine Company of Brockton recently spoke to members of the Downtown Brockton Association at their monthly meeting held at the Metro South Chamber of Commerce. Dan was recently elected to Chair the Brockton 21st Century Corporation. Evan's Machine has been in business within Brockton for decades and recently expanded their advanced manufacturing machine shop, employing more than 75 people.

Brockton & Praia Mayors Meet with Chamber

New Mayor of Praia on the island of Santiago in the Cape Verde Islands recently visited with the Mayor of Brockton, Bill Carpenter and Chamber president and CEO, Chris Cooney. The meeting focused on building relationships that could benefit all concerned. Both Carpenter and Cooney have travelled to Cape Verde and hosted delegations in Brockton. "I am pleased to meet the Mayor and I look forward to working to open up the lines of communication and mutual understanding", said Chamber President and CEO, Chris Cooney.



Mayor of Brockton, Bill Carpenter; Mayor Oscar Humberto Evora Santos of Praia, Santiago, Cape Verde; and Chris Cooney, MSCC.



Save the Date: October 24 Good Morning Metro South @ Concord Foods

Save the date for our October Good Morning Metro South, **October 24th at 7:30am at Concord Foods, located at 10 Minueman Way in Brockton.** Featured speakers will include Michael Kryzaneck, Professor Emeritus of Political Science and Special Advisor to the President of Bridgewater State University, and Michael Goodman, Professor of Public Policy and Executive Director of the Public Policy Center at the University of Massachusetts Dartmouth. Contact Erin Lawrence, ELawrence@metrosouthchamber.com, or visit metrosouthchamber.com to learn more.



PROVA in Brockton is Magnificent!



This newly opened downtown entertainment venue continues to sizzle throughout the summer featuring wonderful music, internationally inspired brews and extraordinary food. PROVA! is open designated hours though the month of September. It is located at the corner of Main Street and Fredrick Douglas Way in Brockton. The site features a stage for live music, comfortable surroundings and a designated games area. A tap room and food vendor area is also present and offers wonderful local food and brews.

Mass Development introduced the idea for the new venue as a way to attract new interest and activity in downtown Brockton. The Metro South Chamber of Commerce along with many others offered early support of the idea and the results are very positive for the community. To learn more about PROVA, visit www.facebook.com/PROVABrockton.



PROVA entrance at corner of Main Street and Fredrick Douglas Way in Brockton.



Frank Altieri and Jim McSherry, owners of Shovel Town Brewery; and Louis Tarentino, owner of EOMS Recycling.



George Durante, Matthew Osborne, Robert Jenkins, Councilor Tim Cruise, Mayor Bill Carpenter, Councilor Tom Monahan and Chris Cooney, Chamber President and CEO at opening night reception of PROVA!



Banners featuring many of PROVA sponsors are featured prominently.



Tobias Cowan City of Brockton, Bill Morse of Mutual Bank, Diane Bell of BSU; and Rich Spencer of Mutual Bank.

Rockland Trust Listens, Delivers for Business



Michael Savage, Rockland Trust Company; and Chris Cooney, President & CEO of the Metro South Chamber of Commerce.

Rockland Trust recently presented a generous investment in the Metro South Business Assistance Center (BAC). The BAC is located at 60 School Street in Brockton. It provides access to education, counseling, networking, and advocacy. Visit www.metroouthchamber.com/resources/business-assistance to learn more.

Brockton Housing & Healthy Living Expo 9/15

The Brockton Housing & Healthy Living Expo will take place at the Westgate Mall, located at 200 Westgate Drive, in Brockton on Saturday, September 15th from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. This Event is being brought to you by the Brockton Redevelopment Authority, Self Help Inc, Metro South Chamber of Commerce, MassHousing and Neighborworks. This expo will help expand opportunities to access housing throughout the city.

"Brockton's Housing & Healthy Living Expo" is intended to educate the public on what programs their City has to offer, connect for-profit and non-profit developers, banks, credit unions, realtors, and housing agencies with current and future Brockton residents to offer them additional resources to access housing opportunities here in Brockton.

The event is a coordinated multi-agency effort to comply with the Federal Fair Housing Act, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, to encourage access to housing opportunities for all individuals by prohibiting discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, and national origin, disability and familial status. This event will feature vendors of the banking industry, credit unions, realtors, housing counselors, housing advocate agencies, non-profit community organizations, and others. Participants will be able to learn about a variety of housing matters including: Financial assistance for first time homebuyers, rental assistance, lead paint issues, home rehabilitation programs and much more! Contact Laura Chau to learn more; LKChau@brocktonredevelopmentauthority.com or call (508) 586-3887 x 2.

Downtown Brockton Urban Renewal District



Robert Jenkins of the Brockton Redevelopment Authority recently held an information session at Joe Angelo's Restaurant in downtown Brockton. Discussion focused on improvements planned including a new parking garage, new housing and various funds available for facade and facility renovations.

City Planner Rob May and BRA Director Robert Jenkins facilitate.

Opportunity Zone - Mall & Good Samaritan Medical



Daniel Hodge, Hodge Economic Consulting presenting findings at the Chamber

The Metro South Chamber of Commerce recently commissioned a study of the Route 24, exit 18 area around the Good Samaritan Medical Center and the Westgate Mall. The study focused on this area as a possible Health Care, Life Sciences Center.

Baker recently announced plans to commit another half a billion dollars toward attracting and growing the industry to Massachusetts. The Metro South Chamber of Commerce would like to see some of those companies and activities extend into the area. Dan Hodge, an economic consultant, who at one time headed up research for the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute at the President's office conducted the study.

The study took into account many aspects of the industry and included interviews with many industry leaders. Available land and buildings, labor statistics and zoning were incorporated into the report. The area has also recently been designated a federally recognized Opportunity Zone which may make it more attractive to investors. To view a video of Dan's presentation and his final report visit www.metroouthchamber.com/news-media/chamber-videos/ or www.metroouthchamber.com/studies.

Member Profile - U.S. Wealth Management Oman



Gary R. Oman, CPA, PFS, MST, Wealth Manager at U.S. Wealth Management and his daughter, Amy Oman, Client Relations Associate at U.S. Wealth Management

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What is unique or special about your firm and the products and services you offer?

Gary's clients have the opportunity to benefit from working with a knowledgeable team of specialists in financial planning, investments, insurance and risk management, among other professionals who put clients' needs first and strive for a reputation of success.

What is your main business objective concerning your customers and the business community?

U.S. Wealth Oman's purpose is to tailor strategies to manage their clients' financial futures with access to the extensive resources of an established wealth management firm.

Anything additional we should know about your company?

Gary R. Oman, CPA, PFS, MST, Wealth Manager with U.S. Wealth Management (USWM), a national network of independent wealth managers, announced he has moved his office to Braintree, MA from Brockton. Gary's wealth management practice, U.S. Wealth Management Oman, is now located inside the USWM corporate premier office space at 30 Braintree Hill Office Park, Suite 201, with expansive views of the Blue Hills Reservation and Boston skyline. "I am thrilled to be caring for our clients out of our corporate headquarters at 30 Braintree Hill Office Park with colleagues who have a holistic service philosophy that is in line with ours," said Gary. "It's an office of twenty professionals and assistants, including Amy, our client relations associate, and me. We very much enjoy our colleagues and our new workspace and know our clients will too."

Report of the Nominating Committee



The Chamber Board of Directors, composed of a broad cross-section of Chamber members, is responsible for policy direction for the organization. For continuity, board terms are staggered over three years. The Chamber's Nominating Committee has prepared the following slate of candidates to fill terms expiring this year on the Board of Directors.

Nominated to serve in the Class of 2021 are Paul Anghinetti, Bank of America; Albert Senesie, Victory Human Services; Kathleen Smith, BPS; George Spiliotis, Crown Linen;

Nominated to serve a two-year term in the Class of 2020 are Mahsa Khanbabai, Attorney; Joe Cardinal, National Grid; Matthew Osborne, Eastern Bank; Michele Cinquegrano, Verizon; Dan Evans, Evans Machine;

Nominated to serve a one-year term in the Class of 2019 are Jeni Mather, JM Pet Resort; Peter Vlaco, Brophy & Phillips; Lisa Strattan, The Enterprise, Wicked Local; Gena Glickman, Massasoit Community College; Todd Copeland, Copeland Auto Group.

In accordance with the Chamber bylaws, additional names of Chamber members can be nominated by petition bearing the signatures of at least 30 member firms in good standing. Such petitions must be filed by September 10, 2018. If a legal petition is presented with additional candidates, the names of all candidates will be mailed to all active members. If no petition is filed, the nominations shall be closed and the nominated slate will be elected by the Board at their October meeting.

New Board members will take office at the Chamber's Annual Meeting on November 14, 2018. All Board of Directors' meetings are open to any Chamber member who wishes to attend.

Brockton Farmer's Market Features Fresh Food!

The Brockton Farmer's Market season is in full swing and will continue every Friday from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm at Brockton City Hall Plaza through October 26. If you're busy, pre-order with the Market2dayapp; visit market2dayapp.com for more info. Weather permitting, there will be a Lunch Time Concert Series at noon every week!

Vendors include Freitas Farm, Oakdale Farms, Sibling Organic Crops, Souza Family Farm, and Lady C&J Soul Food. So far we've been lucky to enjoy countless leafy greens, zucchinis, cherry tomatoes, squash, cabbage, beets, cucumbers, carrots, broccoli, kohlrabi, zephyr, cousa, tomatoes, kale, lettuce, beans, cherries, blueberries, and more. To learn more, please visit www.brocktonfarmersmarket.com



Valerie Souza, Souza Family Farm from Rehoboth.



Freitas Farm from Middleborough.



Chamber interns & staff: David, Emma, Erin, Divine, and Chris.



Leafy greens from Sibling Organic Crops.

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New Brockton Information Boards On The Way!



Keep an eye out for the newly updated Brockton Information Boards (the BIBs) across six locations in Brockton. The new boards will be installed this Fall, and feature local attractions as well

as a map of Brockton containing major routes, transportation services, schools, and train stations. Sponsors are highlighted with a photo, logo, contact information, and description of their business.

Check out any one of the boards at any of the following locations: Brockton Historical Society, 216 North Pearl Street, Route 27; Metro South Chamber of Commerce & City Hall, School Street; Fuller Craft Museum, 455 Oak Street; Downtown Parking Garage, Corner of Main & Crescent Street; BAT Intermodal Centre, (2 boards) Corner of Commercial & Centre Street; Downtown Commuter Rail, Commercial Street, Police Station.



Metro South Chamber of Commerce & City Hall, School Street



BAT Intermodal Centre (2 Boards), Corner of Commercial & Centre Street



Downtown Commuter Rail, Commercial Street, Police Station

Chamber Affiliation News & Events

To become an affiliate organization of the Chamber, contact Christopher Cooney at (508) 586-0500 x 223 or e-mail chris@metrosouthchamber.com.



The **Bridgewater Business Association (BBA)**'s 30th Annual Autumn Fest. Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm on Boyden Hall Quad outside Bridgewater State University, 45 School Street, Bridgewater, MA 02325. Free admission. Visit autumnfest.net or bridgewaterbiz.biz for more information.

The **Stoughton Chamber of Commerce** helps to preserve the overall community's interests and needs. As an advocacy for the business community, the SCC promotes wellness of the entire community through charitable donations, fundraising and scholarship programs for our graduating students. Visit stoughtonma.com for more information.



The **Norwell Chamber of Commerce** will host its Annual Meeting and Welcome New Member Luncheon at Beijing House, located at 456 Washington Street in Norwell on Thursday, September 20, 2018 from 11:45 am - 1:00 pm. Cost is \$20 per person. Visit norwellchamberofcommerce.com for more information.



The **East Bridgewater Business Association (EBBA)** presents the 20th Annual Business Expo and Family Fun day on Saturday, September 15, 2018 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm at the East Bridgewater Town Common. Must be active EBBA member to attend. Visit www.eastbridgewaterbiz.com for more information.



The **Avon Industrial Park Association** is a non-profit group seeking to advance the advocacy and business of its members in public and private affairs. Membership is open to all companies who operate within the confines of Avon Industrial Park in Avon, Massachusetts. For more information please visit avonindustrialpark.org.



Randolph Chamber of Commerce is a not-for-profit corporation founded in 1986 representing businesses in Randolph and the surrounding communities. The chamber provides leadership in fostering business success, growth and development. Visit www.randolphchamberofcommerce.com for more information



The **South Shore Women's Business Network (SSWBN)**. Tuesday, September 11, 2018. Lunch & Learn: Retire Comfortably at a Reasonable Age. From 12:00 pm - 1:30 pm at the Office of Lee Darst, 160 Derby Street, Downstairs Conference Room, in Hingham. \$10 for non-members. Visit sswbn.org for more information.



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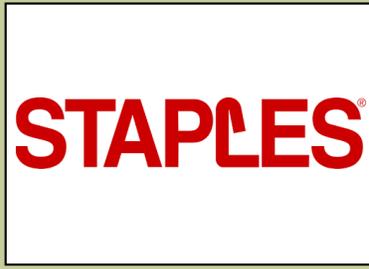
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BUSINESS EVENTS Planner

September 13

Business After Hours

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Join the Chamber for an evening of networking & Red Sox tickets giveaway.

Cost: Free!

Register online: metroouthchamber.com/calendar

September 20

Good Morning Metro South

7:30 am - 9:00 am
Barrett's Conference Center
674 West Center Street, West Bridgewater

Join us for a kick-off breakfast program.

Cost: \$25 members, \$35 future members.

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October 3

Legislative Reception

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
Donahue Hall, Stonehill College
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Join the Chamber for an evening of networking in a wonderful setting.

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October 18

Business After Hours

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm
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