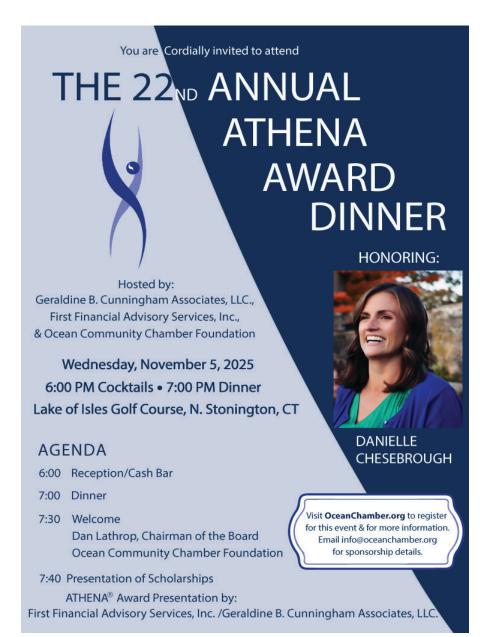
NEWSLETTER

CHESEBROUGH TO RECEIVE ATHENA AWARD

Danielle Chesebrough made history when she was elected as the First Selectwoman of Stonington six years ago. While breaking the gender barrier, she also inspired other women to step forward and run for elected office or serve on town committees. Throughout her tenure, she earned a reputation as a leader who emphasizes collaboration, inclusivity, and community engagement. She led with compassion, grace and agility, providing a steady hand during the COVID pandemic and navigating many other major challenges. Staff morale has been high and many of her coworkers contributed to the thorough nomination for this award. They cited not only Danielle's accomplishments, but her caring nature and the many ways she supported other women. She has been a mentor, a role model, and has participated in the High School's annual leadership program designed to inspire female leaders.

Prior to serving as Fist Selectwoman, Danielle spent 8 years with the United Nations, helping companies and financial markets operate more transparently and sustainably. She had also served as an elected official on the town's Board of Finance through two budget cycles and spent four years on the Economic Development Commission.

Danielle has decided not to seek another term in local government. As she contemplates her next chapter, we could not be more thrilled to pause and celebrate her contributions, and the outstanding efforts she has made in helping other women achieve their leadership potential. Please join us as we honor her with the 2025 ATHE-NA Award on November 5th at Lake of Isles Golf Club in North Stonington. The evening will also include numerous scholarships to Westerly and Stonington students, presented through the Ocean Community Chamber Foundation. Special thanks to Geraldine Cunningham and Associates Financial Advisory for their generous ongoing sponsorship of this event and to Metro Physical & Aquatic Therapy for sponsoring the Athena Scholarship.





50 OVER AWARDS

The Chamber's 50 Over 50 Award honorees have been announced! Thank you to everyone who nominated a deserving candidate. The dynamic business professionals who were chosen will be recognized at a celebration at the Chorus of Wester-

ly's George Kent hall on Wednesday, November 19th, 5-7 p.m. All award winners receive a beautiful engraved wood plaque, free entrance to the event, a feature on 321 Media with Ben Barber, and a dedicated chamber social media post. The general public may attend the awards party for just \$25. Ticket price includes a beverage ticket and heavy hors d'oeuvres. Thank you to our award sponsors Valenti Family of Auto Dealerships and 321 Media. This program has been an exciting way to put the spotlight on some of the amazing people doing great things in the region.







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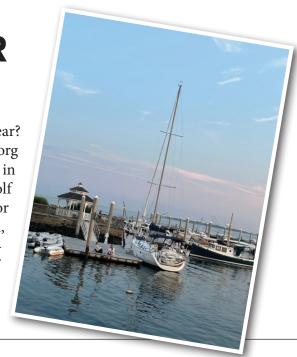
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PHOTOS SOUGHT FOR TRAVEL MAGAZINE

Did you capture some great landscape or event photos this year? Please consider sharing them with us at info@oceanchamber.org by December. We will begin preparing the next magazine in the winter and would love to have fresh images of beaches, golf courses, events, local scenery, etc. The areas we are looking for are Westerly, Watch Hill, Misquamicut, Pawcatuck, Stonington, Stonington Borough, Mystic, Richmond, Hopkinton, Charlestown and North Stonington. We do not use posed photos of family photos. Credit will be noted on any images selected for publication.



MEN'S CALENDAR AND REVEAL PARTY!

As part of the Chamber's 100 year anniversary, a number of projects from our past were revisited and executed for a one-time reprisal. It's been ten years since we produced a humorous men's calendar which showcases brave local business owners posing in their store or business, or with products that represent their company. This unique project features the playful side of community businessmen and raises money for non-profits. Identities of the models will be revealed publicly for the first time on October 30th, 6p.m. at an exciting event at the Granite Theatre. Tickets are just

\$30 and include a \$25 calendar and a glass of wine, and snacks. The men will appear on stage while the giant calendar photos are revealed on a big screen. An autograph session will follow. Looking for laughs? This is the ultimate ladies night out! Thank you to our participating professional photographers: Josh Behan, Caitlyn Lifschitz, Tim Martin, Anna Garceau, Anne Ogden, Cecilia DelViscio, Andy DelGuidice and Pietro Camardella. \$5 of each sale will benefit the WARM Center and \$5 goes to The Granite Theatre. Age 21 and older to attend event or to purchase calendar.



\$500 worth of Chamber Gift Certificates will be awarded to shoppers "caught" supporting local that day.



SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY NOVEMBER 29, 2025

OCCC PROMOTES STONINGTON CULTURAL DISTRICT

On August 22, Chamber President, Lisa Konicki gave Fox 61 Hartford tv viewers an insight into the arts and the upcoming holiday season. The Stonington Lobster Trap Tree project and the Nutcracker Trail were two of the events discussed in the interview. Both of these projects celebrate the cultural significance of our community through interactive exhibits that bring joy to residents and visitors while driving visitation to the region. The Mason's Island Marina nutcracker was featured on the show. Pictured below is Hoof's six foot "Grinch" nutcracker by Colleen O'Connor.



Time capsule

The Chamber will be placing a time capsule in the grounds of its new facility at 170 Main Street. It will contain brochures, novelties and other items that represent 2025, our anniversary year. If your business would like to add a small item to be included, please drop it off by October 20th to 1 Chamber Way in Westerly. The capsule will remain buried for 50 years and will become part of the 2075 150th anniversary celebration of the organization.





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1 NIGHT NUTCRACKER EXHIBIT

If you want to check out the incredible collection of 100 hand painted, 6 foot nutcrackers while they are all in one location, be sure to visit the United Theatre on Friday November 28th from 3:00-7:30pm. This is the one time that the entire display will be gathered at one location. Starting December 1st you can find the nutcrackers at their sponsor or host locations throughout



Westerly, Pawcatuck, Stonington and Mystic. They will be on display through January 1st, though some may keep theirs up longer. Visit the website to learn about this special project and the incredible artists at nutcrackertrail. com.

SIGN OF THE TIMES

Local artist Dan Marantz has created an incredible 6 foot tall puzzle that is a replica of our chamber logo, as part of our 100th anniversary celebration. It contains over 220 hand carved wood pieces and each one will be signed by a community member before the overall design is complete and mounted in our lobby. If you have not yet autographed your piece of chamber history, please stop by and sign one (1 per family). The beautiful, hand carved work will make an impressive statement when it is hung at the welcome center.



Dan Marantz, creator of the wooden Chamber logo.

DINING PASSPORT RETURNS!

You asked for it and the restaurants generously responded! Our first ever Chamber dining passport sold out quickly last year and featured 28 restaurants and 4 theatres with their buy-one get one free offers. This year, we have over 34 restaurants participating, making the value of the book even greater, while giving you exceptional dining options from Charlestown RI to Mystic CT. At just \$110, this is an incredible value and makes for an outstanding gift. We have a limited number of 300 passports once again, and reservations are taken in advance with payment by going to oceanchamber.org or visiting The Chamber office starting October 13th. These will fly out the door again so do not delay in reserving yours now. The passports will be here in late November/early December. 100% of the proceeds will be used towards the significant renovations taking place at our new annex building at 170 Main Street.



CHAMBER CHAMPION FEATURE

PC Restoration: The Pros in Insurance Restoration

Nestled in Stonington, Connecticut, PC Restoration stands out as the go-to specialist for immediate and comprehensive restoration services. This locally owned firm brings over 30 years of industry experience to each emergency situation.

Available 24/7, PC Restoration expertly handles crises ranging from fire and water damage to mold remediation and sewage extraction. Their full-service lineup includes content restoration, general cleaning—including carpet, upholstery, boat, and power washingdamage assessment board up services, and water damage consulting.

Whether assisting homeowners, commercial property owners, insurance professionals, property managers, realtors, contractors, schools, restaurants, municipalities, or renters, PC Restoration tailors rapid response strategies to fit each client's unique

As a BBB accredited A+ rated business, they carry a reputation of trust and reliability, operating since 2015 under seasoned leadership— Owner Miguel Gularte and General Manager Shannon Cavanaugh.

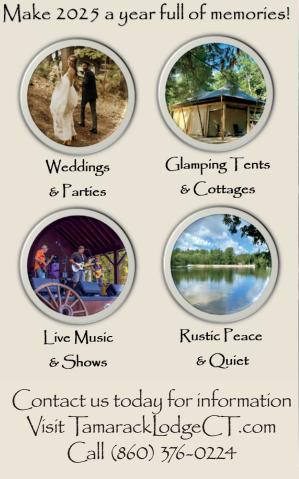
PC Restoration isn't just about fast action; they work closely with insurance carriers and adjusters to ensure effective claims handling and comprehensive recovery.



For residents and businesses in Greater Stonington, Mystic and Westerly, PC Restoration delivers peace of mind when disasters strike, backed by professionalism, promptness, and proven results.









CHAMBER CHAMPION FEATURE

SHORELINE PAINTING & CABINET REFINISHING

Shoreline Painting and Cabinetry Finishing is a trusted provider of specialized interior, exterior, and cabinetry refinishing services in Southern CT and Rhode Island. Established over two decades ago, the company has built a strong reputation for quality craftsmanship and attentive customer service. Under the leadership of owner Dale Sowle and operations manager Ben Saugy, Shoreline Painting is dedicated to helping homeowners and business owners revitalize their spaces with expert painting solutions.

Located at 77 Stillman Ave. Pawcatuck, CT, Shoreline Painting recently underwent a comprehensive building renovation to enhance their cabinetry refinishing workspace with 3 additional bays. They offer a showroom which showcases

a variety of samples and options tailored to meet diverse residential and commercial needs, giving clients the opportunity to visualize their project outcomes.

Committed to making the process seamless, Shoreline Painting ensures that a live representative is always available to answer calls and assist with scheduling appointments for estimates. Their professional crew takes great pride in working respectfully within their clients' homes and businesses, striving to deliver unmatched results that exceed expectations. Whether it's refreshing a living room, updating a storefront, or refinishing custom cabinetry, Shoreline Painting and Cabinetry Finishing stands out for its dedication to quality and customer satisfaction.









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Above: Kito Rodriguez September 28



Above: **Brandon Donahue** October 5

ENTERTAINMENT LINE-UP

12-6 PM | FREE 9-Hole Mini Golf & Lawn Games, **FREE Chamber of Commerce Creation Station for kids** & Pop up Boutiques and Artist booths.

SEPT. 28 Howling Hound Dogs 12 - 1:30 PM

Kito Rodriguez 1-4PM **Mark Reichard** 4 - 6:30 PM

OCT. 5 12 - 1:30 PM A Band Called POP

1-4 PM **Greg Sherrod**

2PM Mrs. Roper Romp 4 - 6:30 PM **Brandon Donahue**

2025 Chamber Champions:































9-Hole Mini **Golf FREE** both days!

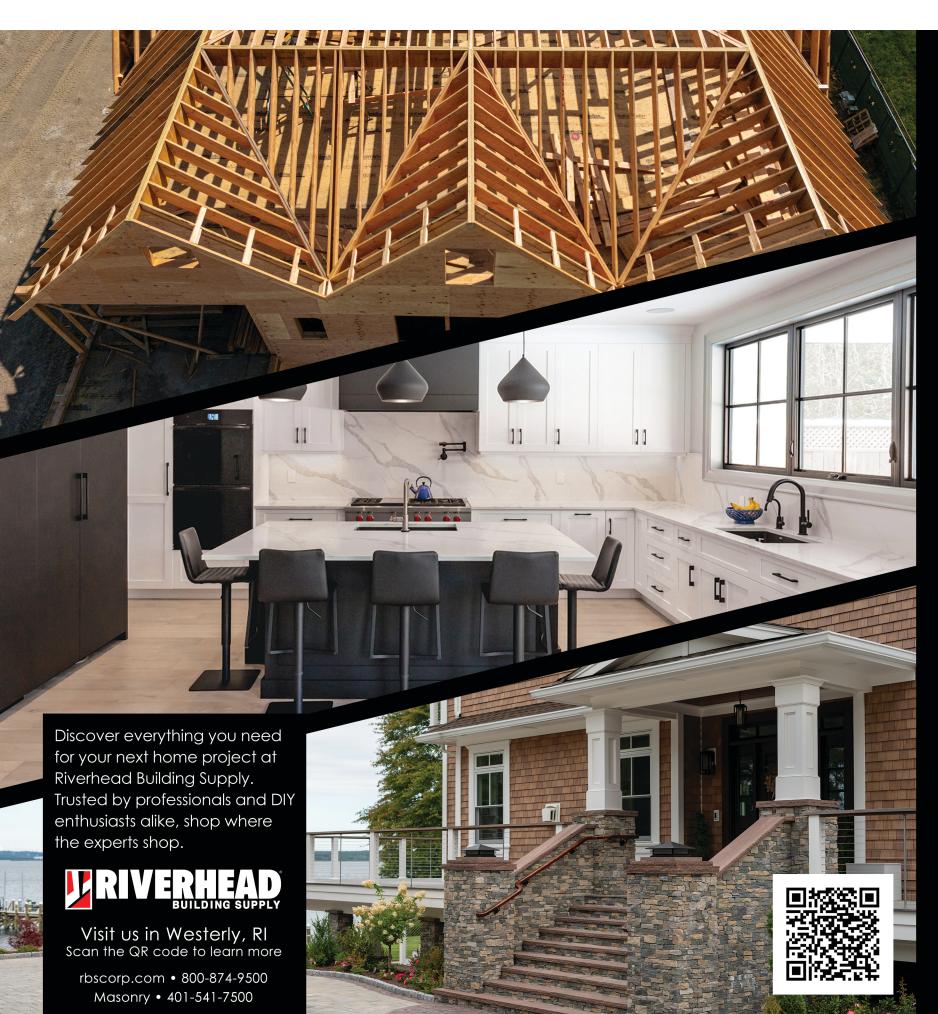
Bounce House on October 5th!



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December 14, 2025 Float Application

NO ATVs or 4-Wheelers NO live "Santas" permitted as we have contracted one for the last float. NO alcohol permitted with any parade entry. NO political content permitted. NO throwing items to parade spectators NO live fires on floats

Business/Organization Name Contact Person (s)		Type of Entry Marching Band Fire Department Float Vehicle Marchers/Dance Group Number of participants: Other: please write below	Optional: \$30 Donation Fee – please make check payable to the OCCC. Funds will be applied towards required fees and permits I am including a \$30 donation to support this year's parade.
Address: Street, City, State, Zip			Light Parade is Sunday, December 14 th 6PM Rain Date Sunday, December 21 st 6PM Questions? Contact Grace Lund at 401-596-770
Email Please describe the the	Phone # me of your float.	Does your entry have music or sound?	or <u>events@oceanchamber.org</u> Mail this application & entry fee to: OCCC, Attn Light Parade, 1 Chamber Way, Westerly, RI 02891
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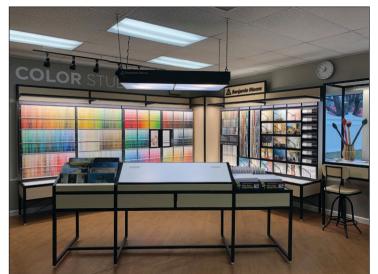


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R to L: Troy Donahue and Brandon Donahue

Westerly Paints & Mystic Paints

As Westerly Paints enters its 37th year in business, Brandon and Troy continue to follow in their father's footsteps. Brandon now serves on the board at the Ocean Community Chamber of Commerce. He was also recognized as a 50 under 50 honoree with other amazing entrepreneurs for their work and commitment to the community. Troy continues to run the Westerly location, going on his 27th year, and enjoys



helping customers find the perfect color and products for their projects. They take pride in being family owned and operated. Their cousins Donnie and Earl run Mystic Paints, Brandon's wife Elena works at Westerly Paints and her father Dave will be retiring from Westerly Paints at the end of the year. Brandon also has been active in the community with his music. Brandon Donahue Music is a proud member of the Chamber and he enjoys playing at local businesses and events. Stop in for all of your painting projects. They look forward to seeing you at the store and around town at the next amazing event!



Santa's Arrival

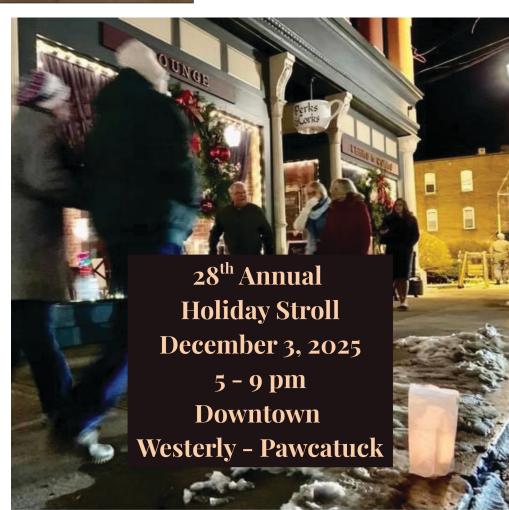
Friday, November 28th
6 PM
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Thank you to our sponsors:



Santa, Winter Lady and a host of other holiday characters make a grand entrance into downtown Westerly via fire truck. Children are greeted and free coloring books, crayons, and lollipops are distributed!



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Anna Lisa 22 Bayview Ave, Studio I Stonington, CT 06378 Phone: 315-698-9749 Email: annalisadesigns23@gmail.com Contact: Anna Osterhout

Anna Lisa The Brand. My journey into fashion was not linear, it was kinetic, and it began in the studio where I trained as a dancer. I learned discipline, grace, and how to tell a story without using words. Dance instilled in me an understanding of how the body moves, form, structure, and the physical language of elegance. guage of elegance. The dance world also taught me how design can support both strength and fluidity. I love the idea that fabric can hold power on a body in motion. In contrast, rock n' roll shaped my instinct for edge, rooted in emotion and authenticity. That energy and attitude became essential to my aesthetic. My designs have evolved under the influence of the unapologetic spirit of rock n' roll. My line is built on that duality of dance and rock music which is the foundation of my design philosophy, and the soul of the brand. These two worlds have blended together into a creative odyssey that has elegant clean lines, sophistication, and timeless appeal. Every piece is intentional, edgy, and designed to balance structure with freedom. What I create is a feeling and distinct vision that connects movement to music. I design for those who move with purpose, confidence, and command a room. Every piece is a statement of strength, movement and individuality-that is where my voice lies. I design with the intention of creating pieces that move with and embrace the body. When the moment deserves more, and you wish to leave a lasting impression, a garment from Anna Lisa will emphasize exclusivity, emotional impact, and sophistication, with that sharp undercurrent of edge.



Artphoto by Pietro Norwich, CT 06360 Phone: 860-514-8939 Email: artphotobypietro@sbcglobal.net Contact: Pietro Camardella

Artphoto by Pietro, based in Norwich, CT, is led by experienced photographer Pietro Camardella, whose Italian roots and decades of professional work inform a timeless, authentic style. Specializing in weddings, portraits, and commercial photography, Pietro is known for capturing images that reflect both beauty and emotion. His philosophy is simple: a great photo should tell a story, preserving moments that matter. Clients value his professionalism, personable approach, and attention to detail, which shine through in every project. In addition to serving clients, Pietro contributes to the community

by supporting schools, events, and local organizations. Whether documenting milestone celebrations or providing businesses with striking visual content, Pietro combines artistry and technical expertise to deliver photographs that resonate. At Artphoto by Pietro, every project is an opportunity to transform fleeting moments into lasting memories.



Atlantic Audiology 35 Wells Street, Unit 2 Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 401-942-8080 Web: atlantic-hearing.com Contact: Micheline Gauthier

Atlantic Audiology, Inc. will be opening its third location in Westerly in October. Female and RI Resident owned, Atlantic Audiology is a private medical practice specializing in hearing loss diagnosis and treatment. Owner Micheline Gauthier, Au.D. has serving patients with hearing loss for over 18 years in the Ocean State. Her foundation of practice in an Ear, Nose, and Throat practice for 10 years prior to opening Atlantic Audiology allows her to provide medical-grade testing in a much more comfortable and personalized environment. Dr. Gauthier and her staff fit the cutting-edge technologies in hearing healthcare and can also provide services such as ear wax removal and fitting of custom hearing protection. This Reader's Choice and Community Choice winning practice is excited to expand its reach to Westerly. Call today to get on our Westerly waiting list. (401) 942-8080. 35 Wells Street Unit 2



Brumble Bikes 166 Main Street Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 401-315-0230 Web: brumblebikes.com Contact: Amos Brumble

Brumble Bikes, at 166 Main Street, is where passion meets performance. Owned and operated by native Westerly rider Amos Brumble, this shop delivers a level of expertise you won't find anywhere else. Amos has been racing bicycles since 1988—with youth spent training in Belgium, and still holds a U.S. Cycling Federation Category 1 license. His knowledge, attention to detail, and mentorship make Brumble Bikes feel like more than just a store—it's a cycling community hub. Inside the shop, you'll find world-class road bikes like Pinarello, Cannondale, Cervelo and more. Electric bikes from Aventon and Velotric too —all selected for their precise engineering, race-proven performance, and elegant style. Every product is backed by experience and thoughtful curation, with Amos personally ensuring you get the right fit and setup. Need servicing? Brumble Bikes offers full mechanical services and expert support tailored to serious road cyclists—and casual riders too, whether you want to get started or fine-tune your gear. Stop by or give them a call to explore their

lineup, schedule repairs, or just talk bikes with a true enthusiast. Brumble Bikes: "Saving the world one bike at a time."



Combined Insurance Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 860-941-5819 Email: alexander.wagner1@ia.combined.com Contact: Alexander Wagner

Combined Insurance, a subsidiary of Chubb founded in 1922, provides supplemental accident, health, disability, and life insurance for individuals, families, and businesses. With more than 5 million policies in force and top financial ratings, the company offers straightforward, personalized coverage through agents and workplace programs. Its mission is to make supplemental insurance easy to understand, backed by exceptional customer service and Chubb's financial strength.

Alex Wagner, Insurance Agent, shares: "Born and raised in Westerly, I feel deeply connected to this community. After years in the hospitality industry, I've changed gears and found a new path in insurance. I'm proud to now serve my neighbors with their supplemental insurance needs, supported by some of the strongest backing in the industry. My roots are here, and this is where I'll continue to build my business until the day I'm ready to hang up my shingle."

DAWNLANDS

Dawnlands 40 High Street Westerly, RI 02891 Email: hi@dawnlands.com Web: dawnlands.com Contact: Sean Spellman

Dawnlands is a unique gathering place in downtown Westerly, RI, blending a natural wine bar, café, and live performance venue into one inviting space. Guests can enjoy a curated menu of organic, biodynamic, and low-intervention wines, alongside local craft beers, creative non-alcoholic options, and light, thoughtfully prepared small plates. More than just a place to sip and dine, Dawnlands fosters connection through its intimate performance space, welcoming all ages, disciplines, and genres. From live music to community events, the venue is designed to spark conversation, creativity, and camaraderie. Open from 5 p.m. until late (earlier for special events), Dawnlands also offers private rental opportunities for those seeking a warm, eclectic setting for gatherings. With its focus on natural wines, inclusive culture, and artistic expression, Dawnlands has quickly become a hub for both locals and visitors to relax, connect, and celebrate community.



ANTIQUES

Granary Farmhouse Antiques 22 Bayview Ave., Studio 86 Stonington, CT 06378 Phone: 508-324-5996 Web: granaryantiques.com Contact: granaryantiques@gmail.com

Granary Farmhouse Antiques is a woman owned small business - buying and selling antiques and collectibles. We specialize in 19th century natural European pine and scrubbed American pine furniture as well as industrial statement pieces. With the support of my husband Chris, we showcase our key furniture by appointment at the Velvet Mill Unit 86, along with selling at Jules Antiques & General Store in Richmond, RI and Antiques Marketplace in Putnam, CT. We curate a selection of vintage smalls and home décor to compliment our furniture. As an antique dealer, we focus on sourcing high-quality pieces made from antique pine with their distinctive characteristics such as the weathered patina that give each piece its individuality and charm. As a furniture refinisher, we are skilled in restoring these pieces to bring out their original beauty while preserving their aged look and feel. This may involve careful cleaning, repairing any damage, and applying finishes that complement the natural attributes of the wood to enrich its warmth and depth. Join us on Instagram and Facebook: @granaryfarmhouse-



Lighthouse Reflections Photography Waterford, CT 06385 Phone: 860-460-7221 Web: alogden1228@gmail.com Contact: Anne L. Ogden

At Lighthouse Reflections Photography, owner Anne L. Ogden carries on a proud family tradition of artistry behind the lens. Photography truly runs in her blood—her grandparents owned and operated Bishops Studio in downtown New London from the 1930s through 1975, serving generations of families and businesses. Today, Anne continues that legacy with a modern focus on organizational and corporate event photography. Based in Waterford, CT, Anne is a trusted professional seen at Chamber of Commerce gatherings, nonprofit fundraisers, business networking groups, and elegant gala events. Known for blending seamlessly into the crowd, she captures authentic moments that showcase the energy, emotion, and purpose of every occasion. Her clients—ranging from associations to non-

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profits—rely on her images to spotlight their work, amplify their brand, and create a lasting visual story. With keen attention to detail, professionalism, and a passion for storytelling, Anne ensures every event is beautifully documented and every client's vision shines through her lens.



Napatree Bikes Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 860-914-8976 Web: napatreebikes.com Contact: Teagan Jones & Anna Shatzer

For more than two decades, Napatree Bikes has been helping locals and visitors alike explore the beauty of the coast. The easy, comfortable bike rentals include delivery and pickup right to your doorstep. Today, the business is entering an exciting new chapter - under the ownership of Teagan Jones and Anna Shatzer. They are bringing energy and creativity to Napatree Bikes while honoring the tradition of friendly service and carefree exploration that has made the company a community favorite since 2002. Whether you're planning a scenic solo cruise, a family outing, or a group celebration, Teagan and Anna are ready to get you rolling. Napatree Bikes is dedicated to creating experiences and memories one ride at a time.



OZZO
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Email: adam@ozzochurros.com
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Contact: Kristal & Adam Francese

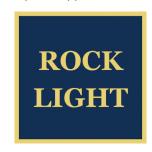
OZZO is a fresh and flavorful destination serving up handcrafted churros, waffles, and creative small eats. Known for its artisan churros—crispy, golden, and rolled in cinnamon sugar—OZZO takes dessert to the next level with a variety of sizes, fillings, and indulgent twists. Their waffles strike the perfect balance of crunchy and soft, often paired with ice cream for an unforgettable treat. Beyond sweets, OZZO offers savory bites like saugy hot dogs, street corn, and "bite boxes" that make it a go-to for more than just dessert cravings. Guests can also sip on specialty

coffees, moody sodas, floats, and other unique drinks designed to complement the playful menu. With its fun, vibrant atmosphere and commitment to fresh, made-to-order creations, OZZO has quickly become a community favorite for families, friends, and anyone looking to enjoy something deliciously different in South County.



QMDI Press Services 85 Beach Street, Bldg. C, Unit 12 Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 201-264-1553 Web: qmdipress.com Contact: Anthony Tatulli

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Rock Light Farm 135 Taugwonk Road Stonington, CT 06378 Email: rocklightfarm@gmail.com Web: rocklightfarm.com Contact: Ellen McLaughlin & Pete Stajduhar

Rock Light Farm, located on 17 acres in beautiful Stonington, CT, is a family-run flower haven rooted in Ellen and Pete's lifelong love of gardening. What began as a shared passion blossomed into a thriving business that now delivers fresh, vibrant blooms directly to restaurants, operates at farmers' markets, runs a flower stand, and even hosts pick-your-own events. The farm grows a wide variety of flowers, including dahlias, zinnias, sunflowers, tulips, cosmos, and lavender, all nurtured with care to bring joy and beauty to every space. With the oldest barn in town as part of its charm, Rock Light Farm continues to share its blooms with the community, bringing sunshine and color to every table and occasion.

SmithBrothers. Be sure.

Smith Brothers Insurance 127 Norwich Road Central Village, CT 06332 Phone: 860-564-3316 Web: smithbrothersusa.com Contact: Lynne Hill

Smith Brothers Insurance has been helping families and businesses protect what matters most for more than 50 years. Headquartered in Glastonbury, CT, with offices throughout the region, Smith Brothers is one of the nation's Top-100 independent insurance and risk management brokers. Their purpose—Helping Others—is at the heart of everything they do. From personal coverage such as home, auto, and life insurance to commercial, employee benefits, and financial services. Smith Brothers offers solutions designed to fit the unique needs of each client. What sets them apart is their consultative approach. The Smith Brothers team works as trusted advisors, taking the time to understand risks and provide thoughtful strategies that go beyond policies. With offices in Waterford, CT and Niantic, CT, they are deeply invested in the communities they serve, supporting local organizations and fostering long-term partnerships built on trust. Whether you're a family looking for peace of mind or a business planning for growth, Smith Brothers Insurance delivers the expertise, service, and care needed to protect your future.



Stanton & Stanton Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 401-524-1856 Web: stantonstanton.com Contact: Chris Stanton

Since 1999, Stanton & Stanton has been a trusted name in high-end coastal homes throughout Southern New England, bringing decades of hands-on experience to every home they build, renovate, or manage. Whether it's a full custom new construction, a complete interior or exterior redesign, or detailed finish work, they bring character, craftsmanship, and commitment to every project. Their services also include additions, remodeling (partial or total), and property management—handling everything from conceptual planning to final touches. Based in Connecticut and Rhode Island, Stanton & Stanton focuses on elevating homes, so they stand out, blending quality materials with thoughtful design to enhance both beauty and value. If you're looking for expert guidance and a partner who cares about detail and lasting results, Stanton & Stanton is ready to make your coastal home dreams a reality.



These Guys Brewing at American Wharf 1 American Wharf Norwich, CT 06360 Phone: 860-949-8550 Web: theseguysbrewing.com Contact: Rebecca Alberts

These Guys Brewing Co. has built its reputation on one simple promise: to make beer that's as bold and

creative as the people who enjoy it. Each brew is crafted in-house with care and character, offering everything from crisp lagers and hop-forward IPAs to rich stouts and inventive seasonal releases. Their newest chapter brings that passion to life at the Marina at American Wharf, where guests can pair locally inspired food with their favorite pints while taking in stunning views of the Thames River. It's more than just a brewery—it's a gathering place. Live music, a vibrant atmosphere, and a menu designed to complement the beer make it the perfect spot to unwind with friends or discover your new favorite flavor. For those seeking Pub grub with a foodie flare in a setting that's as welcoming as it is memorable, These Guys Brewing Co. is ready to raise your glass.



Topgolf Rhode Island 120 Sockanosset Cross Road Cranston, RI 02820 Phone: 401-537-5126 Web: topgolf.com Contact: Kathy Gillet

Topgolf Rhode Island is bringing the ultimate blend of play, food, and fun to Cranston! We've created a one-of-a-kind destination where anyone can swing, score, and celebrate, no golf experience required. Our three-level venue features over 100 climate-controlled hitting bays with HDTVs in every bay, plus Toptracer technology that lets you track your shots, play interactive games, and even take on virtual courses. Looking for more than golf? We've got you covered with a full-service restaurant, craft cocktails, a rooftop terrace, and spaces designed for parties and events of every size. Whether you're here for a family outing, date night, a corporate get-together, or just to hang out with friends, Topgolf Rhode Island delivers year-round energy, delicious eats, and unforgettable memories. So grab your crew and come see why Topgolf is the most exciting new way to play in New England—we can't wait to welcome you!



United Way of Rhode Island 50 Valley Street Providence, RI 02909 Phone: 401-444-0600 Web: unitedwayri.org Contact: Lori DiMatteo

United Way of Rhode Island unites people and resources to build racial equity and create opportunities for all Rhode Islanders. As the statewide "front door" to social services, their 211 helpline connects residents to essential support, including housing, healthcare, job training, and legal assistance. Guided by their LIVE UNITED 2025 strategic plan, United Way is focused on advancing economic security and housing, improving childhood learning and literacy, strengthening nonprofits, and driving public policy and civic engagement. A recent milestone includes the launch of the Alliance for Nonprofit Impact, a statewide hub designed to connect nonprofit leaders with training, peer networks, and advocacy tools, with a particular focus on supporting organizations led by people of color. By working hand in hand with

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donors, corporate partners, and volunteers, United Way is creating lasting change in communities across Rhode Island. Every initiative reflects their mission to empower individuals, strengthen families, and build a future rooted in equity and opportunity for all



Wayfaring Strangers Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 203-726-3381 Web: cofoni.com Contact: Chris Cofoni

Wayfaring Strangers is an acoustic band that was founded by Chris Cofoni (Guitar Vocals), Mike Sisk (Cajon drum) and Jay Johnson (Guitar Vocals) in 2023. Tony Carlo joined the group in 2024 which can be a trio or quartet depending on the format.

The name Wayfaring Strangers comes from the Appalachian folk song once covered by Johnny Cash. Jay and Chris started singing together in the 90's while attending Stonington High School, and Tony and Mike, also Stonington grads, were in a rock band with Chris in the 90's called Lucid. They have all since gone on to sing and play in some of the best acts throughout the area. Playing an eclectic mix of old and new, country and rock and all in their own unique acoustic style. Focusing on songs you will sing along to their rich tapestry of sound will take you on a journey. For information about booking private parties, weddings or events contact Chris Cofoni CCofoni@gmail.com, 203-726-3381.



Waffle Pop Sweet Shop 110 W Broad Street, Suite 1 Pawcatuck, CT 06379 Phone: 860-772-9020 Web: wafflepopct.com Contact: Emily Logan Discover Waffle Pop Sweet Shop, a delightful new dessert haven located on Route 1 in downtown Pawcatuck, CT. Formerly part of the Stonington Velvet Mill, Waffle Pop has re-opened in a vibrant new location, bringing more fun, flavor, and irresistible treats to the community. On the menu you'll find made-to-order Waffle Pops—freshly crafted waffles on a stick, dipped, drizzled, and sprinkled with your choice of toppings—alongside artisanal gelato, refreshing sorbettos, all organic fruit slushies, and an assortment of luxury candies and snacks. Behind it all is Emily Logan, a 20-year Army veteran who transformed her seasonal ice cream truck, Mama Emily's Sweet Treats, into this year-round dessert destination. With her children as taste-testers, every creation is perfected for maximum joy. Open Thursday through Sunday, and now extended to Monday evenings, Waffle Pop is the perfect stop for a s'mores waffle pop, vegan vanilla gelato, or even waffle pop nachos. Stop in, snap a sweet selfie, and treat yourself—because life really is meant to be delicious. New Fall Hours: Monday – Thursday 2PM – 9PM, Friday, 2PM – 10PM, Saturday 8AM – 10PM and Sunday 8AM – 9PM.

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Westerly Museum of American Impressionism

Westerly Museum of American Impressionism 79 Watch Hill Road Westerly, RI 02891 Phone: 401-773-9767 Web: wmairi.org Contact: Catherine Shotick

The Westerly Museum of American Impressionism, a new museum founded by longtime Westerly residents and art collectors Cynthia and Thomas Sculco, celebrates the vibrant legacy of American Impressionism from the 1880s-1920s. Inspired by their love of New England's landscapes and coastal beauty, the Sculcos have spent over forty years thoughtfully building the collection now housed in the museum's building the collection how housed in the Husseims eleven galleries. Overlooking the Pawcatuck River in Westerly, the museum offers a serene setting for visitors to experience American Impressionist mas-terpieces by artists such as Childe Hassam, Jane Peterson, Lilla Cabot Perry, and John Singer Sargent, as well as exceptional works by lesser-known painters deserving of wider recognition. Through engaging exhibitions and educational initiatives, the museum seeks to inspire and enrich lives by illuminating the contributions of both renowned and overlooked artists who helped spark a national movement and shape generations of American art.



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THE MUSIC OF TAYLOR SWIFT, BRIDGERTON, AND BEYOND SATURDAY, 10.11.25 | 8:00 PM

Long before Bridgerton broke the Netflix algorithm, Vitamin String Quartet (VSQ) had helped establish classical crossover as a genuine force in contemporary music.

GIPSY KINGS: FEATURING NICOLAS REYES WEDNESDAY, 10.15.25 | 7:30 PM

With more than 14 million albums sold worldwide, the legendary Gipsy Kings, led by Nicolas Reves, bring their fiery blend of Flamenco, Salsa & Pop to New London for an unforgettable night of music and passion.

DOGMAN THE MUSICAL SATURDAY, 10.18.25 | 7:00 PM

Based on the worldwide bestselling hit series by Dav Pilkey, Dog Man: The Musical is a hilarious and heartwarming production following the chronicles of Dog Man, who with the head of a dog and the body of a policeman, loves to fight crime and chew on the furniture.

GET THE LED OUT - A CELEBRATION OF "THE MIGHTY ZEP" THURSDAY, 10,23,25 | 7:30 PM

From the bombastic and epic, to the folky and mystical, Get The Led Out (GTLO) have captured the essence of the recorded music of Led Zeppelin and brought it to the concert stage.

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SUNDAY, 11.09.25 | 2:00 PM

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TROMBONE SHORTY & ORLEANS AVENUE

THURSDAY, 11.13.25 | 7:30 PM

Trombone Shorty and Orleans Avenue is an American funk, jazz, and soul band led by the talented trombonist and trumpeter Troy "Trombone Shorty" Andrews.

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No wigs, no backing tracks, no gimmicks, just five musicians recreating the music of Fleetwood Mac to perfection with note for note renditions that no other Fleetwood Mac tribute on the touring scene today can come close to duplicating.

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SUNDAY, 11.16.25 | 3:00 PM

A concert of Diva Showstoppers featuring a Glinda and Elphaba from the Broadway company of WICKED, GOOD WITCH/BAD WITCH has been thrilling audiences coast to coast with their stunning vocals and playful banter!

THE LAST WALTZ CELEBRATION FEATURING THE THE BAND BAND & SPECIAL GUESTS

SATURDAY. 11.22.25 | 8:00 PM

The THE BAND Band presents a celebration of The Last Waltz, bringing to life one of the most historic concerts of the rock era.

SISTER'S CHRISTMAS CATECHISM

SATURDAY. 11.29.25 | 3:00 PM

With gifts galore and bundles of laughs. Sister's Christmas Catechism is sure to become the newest addition to your holiday traditions.

THE ROCK ORCHESTRA BY CANDLELIGHT TUESDAY 12.02.25 | 8:00 PM

The Rock Orchestra by Candlelight returns with an epic new 90-minute concert, breathing beautifully dark energy into legendary Rock & Metal.

AN ITALIAN CHRISTMAS EVE FEAST

THURSDAY, 12.04.25 - SUNDAY, 12.07.25 WRITTEN / DIRECTED BY: ANNA MARIA TRUSKY

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