

## Community Partners Program Recognition Awards Breakfast Held

The Economic Development Commission (EDC) held the first Community Partners Program Awards Breakfast on Monday, March 16, 2009 at the Buck-Foreman Community Center. The Community Partners Program was developed and implemented by the EDC in 2008 as a way to recognize the vital contributions Portland businesses make to the many charitable, recreational and educational activities offered in Portland and neighboring communities.

The Community Partners Program has two levels of recognition. The Member Level recognizes businesses for donations of goods or services of up to \$5,000 in value during the previous calendar year. The Gold Member level recognizes business for donations of goods and services in excess of \$5,000 during the previous calendar year. Over one hundred Portland businesses were recognized for contributions to the community and nine businesses were recognized for contributions in excess of \$5,000. Donations included financial contributions to local schools, fundraising programs, and sponsorship of sports teams. Contributions of goods and services included lunch for the Portland High School Band at the 2008 Big E, a lavish Christmas dinner and gifts for needy families and participation by a local plumber in the **ABC Extreme Makeover** home construction in Voluntown, Connecticut.

Recognized Program members received a certificate of recognition as well as a window decal to display at their place of business. The decal is intended to recognize the contributions made by the business and serve as a reminder to customers of the importance of local businesses contributions in the success of community, educational and charitable programs. Portland residents are urged to look for these decals and support our local businesses that so generously support the community.

Businesses that made charitable contributions during the last year but did not complete the application process may do so at anytime during the calendar year and receive a decal recognizing them as a Community Partner. Applications are available at the Portland Town Hall, on line at [www.portland.org](http://www.portland.org), or by calling Mary Dickerson, Economic Development Consultant at 342-7302.

### COMMUNITY PARTNERS PROGRAM



**2009  
MEMBER**

**AWARDED BY THE  
PORTLAND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

The Community Partners Program **Gold Member** designation was presented to the following business' for contributions of good and services of more than \$5,000 to charitable and community organizations during the 2008 calendar year:

**Cavaliere's Bakery and Deli**

264 Main Street

**F& W Caterers**

36 Indian Hill Avenue

**Liberty Bank**

245 Main Street

**Dr. John Mormile, Chiropractor**

234 Main Street

**Portland Golf Course**

169 Bartlett Street

**Portland Golf West**

105 Gospel Lane

**Saint Clement's Castle**

1931 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Stor-U-Self**

127 Main Street

**Tritown Foods**

316 Marlborough Street

## Community Partners Program 2009 Members

**Action Waterproofing**

26 Foley Road

**Airex Rubber Products**

100 Indian Hill Avenue

**All Ears Hearing Aid Service, Inc.**

78 Marlborough Street

**Ameriprise Financial Services**

329 Main Street

**Anderson Farm Supply, Inc.**

224 Marlborough Street

**Angela's Fine Jewelry**

1297 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Amita Aggarwal, DMD, LLC**

322 Main Street

**Auto Body Suppliers, Inc.**

277 Marlborough Street

**Bloc Fill, Inc.**

217 Pickering Street

**Bordonaro's Pharmacy, Inc**

283 Main Street

**Brownstone Amusements**

9 Willow Street

**Brownstone Exploration &****Discovery Park**

161 Brownstone Avenue

**Brownstone Barbers**

321 Marlborough Street

**Burger King**

22 Marlborough Street

**Hubert E. Butler Construction****Co., LLC**

984 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Canine Classics**

180 Marlborough Street

**Chris Cote's Golf Shop**

275 Main Street

**Colla Signs**

146 Jobs Pond Road

**Colonial Framing and Design**

311 Main Street

**CT Valley School of Music &****Dance**

226 Main Street

**Coughlin Services Corporation**

23 Bartlett Street

**Country Market**

272 Main Street

**Curley Real Estate Associates**

293 Marlborough Street

**DaLaur's Restaurant**

870 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Daniels Oil Company**

8 High Street

**Del Printing**

42 Gospel Lane

**Dunkin Donuts**

Main Street &amp; Portland-Cobalt Road

**ESM Landscaping**

25 Breezy Corner Road

**Edward Jones Investments**

236 Main Street

**Eggs Up LLC**

1462 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Encore Dance Studio**

350 Marlborough Street

**Family Practice Group**

595 Main Street

**Farrell's Restaurant**

245 Marlborough Street

**Geato's Flower Shop**

12 Middlesex Avenue

**Gifts From The Heart, LLC**

1287 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Gildersleeve Spirit Shop**

644 Main Street

**Gotta's Farm & Cider Mill**

661 Glastonbury Turnpike

**Hintz Financial Services**

299 Marlborough Street

**Hometown Garage**

116 Marlborough Street

**JJ Portland News**

264 Main Street

**Johnson Fence and Landscaping**

1 Michael Drive

**Law and Larson Attorneys**

262 Marlborough Street

**Kelsey's Tree Farm**

299 Cox Road

**LA Styles, Inc.**

286 Marlborough Street

**KimberKleen**

14 Commerce Street

**Magic Mirror Unisex Salon**

248 Main Street

**Frank Magnotta, PE, LLC**

395 Main Street

**Manning Home Builders**

4 Rogers Road

**Masselli & Sons Plumbing &****Heating**

64 Freestone Avenue

**McGinley Builders LLC**

74 High Street

**Middconn Federal Credit Union**

278 Main Street

**NAPA Auto Parts**

334 Marlborough Street

**Natural Nail & Spa**

662 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Nicholas Bus Services**

1010 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Olson Backman Interior Design**

956 Glastonbury Turnpike

**Patches & Patchwork**

216 Main Street

**Peterson Oil Company**

276 Main Street

**Petzolds, Inc.**

37 Indian Hill Avenue

**Pine Ledge Gardens**

1231 Portland-Cobalt Road

**Portland Automotive**

131 Marlborough Street

**Portland Boat Works, Inc.**

1 Grove Street

**Portland Cleaners and Tailors**

866 Portland-Cobalt Road

## Community Partners Program 2009 Members Continued

### **Portland Cleaners and Tailors**

866 Portland-Cobalt Road

### **Portland Dental Car, LLC**

595 Main Street

### **Portland Discount Liquors**

348 Marlborough Street

### **Portland Electric**

12 High Street

### **Portland Fence**

Brownstone Avenue

### **Portland Floor & Wall Covering**

646 Main Street

### **Portland Laundromat**

65 Marlborough Street

### **Portland Memorial Funeral Home**

231 Main Street

### **Portland Paint and Hardware**

724 Portland-Cobalt Road

### **Portland Pizza House**

279 Main Street

### **Portland Power Equipment**

1125 Portland-Cobalt Road

### **Portland Restaurant**

188 Main Street

### **Portland Veterinary Hospital**

455 Portland-Cobalt Road

### **Primary Landscaping & Nursery, LLC**

42 Gospel Lane

### **Prehistoric Mini Golf & Ice Cream**

680 Portland Cobalt Road

### **Quality Welding Services, LLC**

265 Brownstone Avenue

### **Quarry Ridge Golf Course, Inc.**

9 Rose Hill Road

### **Riverdale Motel**

1503 Portland-Cobalt Road

### **Route 66 Ink**

321 Marlborough Street

### **Salon Sciarrino**

864 Portland Cobalt Road

### **C. Shefcyk & Sons**

75 Brownstone Avenue

### **Signs & Designs**

122 Marlborough Street

### **Smurfit-Stone Container Corp.**

74 Pickering Street

### **Standard-Knapp, Inc.**

63 Pickering Street

### **Subway**

197 Marlborough Street

### **Tilcon**

South Street

### **Tommy's Pizza**

330 Marlborough Street

### **Top Dog Hot Dogs**

211 Marlborough Street

### **Tropical Sun**

344 Marlborough Street

### **T&S Heating & Air**

7 Bellaire Terrace

### **Conditioning, LLC**

### **Water & Sewer Specialties**

131 Brownstone Avenue

### **Waterview Dental Group**

553 Portland-Cobalt Road

### **Woodings Greenhouses**

12 Payne Boulevard

### **Zah's Sport Shop**

246 Main Street

## June EDC Breakfast to Feature Northeast Utilities Cost Savings Program

The next EDC Breakfast Meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the Portland Library. Rebecca Myer of **Northeast Utilities** will talk with business owners and residents about opportunities for savings through NU's Energy Audit Programs. The Residential Home Energy Audit Program provides a thorough inspection of a resident's home and offers assistance in improving energy efficiency, resulting in cost savings to the homeowner. A representative from the Commercial and Industrial Division will also be on hand to discuss energy savings opportunities available at reduced costs to business owners.

Susan Bransfield, First Selectwoman, will provide an update regarding the mixed use development and infrastructure improvements. Refreshments will be served. Look for an announcement of the Breakfast Meeting in the Rivereast News Bulletin.

## RESUME WRITING SEMINAR SPONSORED BY THE EDC

**Jeff Thierfeld**, a business professional with over 30 years of comprehensive business writing experience will conduct a resume writing seminar free of charge for Portland residents and business owners. Jeff received his BS in Business Administration from Central Connecticut State University and his MA in Communications from the University of Hartford. Jeff instructs an Enrichment workshop for Middletown Adult Education: *Resumes, Cover Letters and Interviewing Skills* and will be donating his services to the EDC for this seminar.

The seminar will be held on Tuesday, May 12, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the Buck-Foreman Community Center. This is a great opportunity for high school and college students seeking summer employment, graduates seeking full time work, or adults looking for a career change or even part-time or temporary employment opportunities. Reservations are required for this event. For more information, contact Mary Dickerson, EDC Consultant at [marydickerson@yahoo.com](mailto:marydickerson@yahoo.com) or by phone at 860 342-7302.

## PORTLAND BUSINESS JOURNAL SPRING 2009

The **Portland Business Journal** is a quarterly publication of the **Portland Economic Development Commission**. Issues are published in March, June, September and December. If you have ideas for future articles, or notices for meetings or events that you would like to be included in the **Portland Business Journal**, please contact Mary D. Dickerson, EDC Consultant at 342-7302 or by e-mail at [marydickerson@yahoo.com](mailto:marydickerson@yahoo.com).

## FARMERS MARKETS OPENING IN JUNE

Two new Farmer's Markets will be coming to Portland on Saturday's beginning in June. The **Tri Town Foods Farmers Market** has been designated as a Farmer's Market by the Connecticut Department of Agriculture. The Market will be held at their 316 Marlborough Street location, in the parking area in front of the store. The **Tritown Foods Farmers Market** will be WIC Certified and feature organic products and locally grown produce from larger scale producers.

The Portland EDC will sponsor a Farmers Market with Mike Elliott, the manager of **Stor-U-Self**, located at 127 Main Street. The **Stor-U-Self Farmers Market** will offer an opportunity for local vendors and growers to offer their products on a smaller scale. Booth space at this market is open to crafters, community groups, and fund raising events as well as vendors selling fresh produce and organic products.

