

**The WorkPlace, Inc.
Southwestern Connecticut's Regional Workforce Development Board
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NEWS THIS MONTH:

- CareerConnections-CT.com
- Board of Director's Meeting
- Wine Tasting and Silent Auction Fundraiser
- Thank You to Wine Tasting Sponsors & Contributors
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VISIT OUR REDESIGNED YOUTH WEBSITE!



www.careerconnections-ct.com

The site is a one-stop website resource that provides timely, up-to-date information to youth, parents, counselors, and employers regarding post-secondary options and opportunities.

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING



The WorkPlace was honored to have Connecticut Governor-Elect Dannel P. Malloy speak at the December 17, 2010 Board of Director's Meeting. Over 150 people were in attendance.

At the meeting, Joe Carbone, President and CEO, spoke about the challenges and accomplishments of the past year. The WorkPlace will continue to focus efforts on the long-term unemployed, people who have exhausted unemployment benefits, older workers (50+), and those facing foreclosure.

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

Dress for Success® Mid-Fairfield County



The WorkPlace, Inc. is pleased to announce that Diageo hosted this year's **Wine Tasting and Silent Auction Fundraiser** to benefit Dress for Success® Mid-Fairfield County DFSMFC). Hors d'oeuvres and desserts were served to complement the selection of wines provided by Diageo.

Dress for Success promotes the economic independence of disadvantaged women by providing professional attire, a network of support, and the career development tools to help women thrive in work and in life.

The event took place on December 9. Over 200 people were in attendance to support this worthy cause. The fundraiser was a great success raising over \$15,000.

Many thanks to our guests, to Diageo's Spirited Women's Network and DFS volunteers who assisted at the event, to our event sponsors, and to the companies and organizations who donated silent auction items.

THANK YOU

A big "THANK YOU" is extended to our sponsors and silent auction contributors of our fundraiser held on December 9 – **A Winter Wine Tasting** – which benefitted



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Jill Olson, DFS Volunteer

UPCOMING EVENTS

YouthBuild Graduation Ceremony
Friday, January 7, 2011
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm
350 Fairfield Avenue
Bridgeport



Wishing a Happy New Year to all of our partners.