



# In The Community!

Summer 2017

## Happenings at Bridges



### **Community Donation to Assist Youth and Young Adults**

Bridges Healthcare recently received a generous donation of \$25,000 from the estate of former Board member M. Wallace Rubin. "We are very grateful to Wally Rubin and his wife Rita E. Rubin for their long history of support for Bridges, dating

back to its early days as Milford Mental Health. Their contributions have had a positive impact on the growth of our organization,” said Bridges' CEO Barbara DiMauro. Mr. Rubin operated the family business Wayside Furniture in Milford for nearly 50 years and was a mentor for disadvantaged youth. The funds will support Youth and Young Adult Outreach Services. Shown at the presentation of a commemorative plaque in honor of the Rubins' is son David Rubin, along with Ms. DiMauro, and to Dr. Marty Schwartzman, Bridges' Chief of Services and Debra Gannon, Coordinator of Bridges' Youth and Young adult Outreach programs.

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### **60th Community-Wide Anniversary Celebration!**

On June 1, Bridges Healthcare hosted a community-wide 60th anniversary celebration following the Behavioral Health Home (BHH) Health and Wellness Fair. Staff, clients, board members and community supporters, including Milford Mayor Ben Blake, United Way of Milford President ,Gary Johnson, and Milford Chamber Membership Manager Nell Moll, were in attendance. Thank you to all who

participated in the Wellness Fair and 60th Celebration. This is the first of the anniversary celebrations. Bridges, along with the United Way of Milford, will be holding a combined 60th Anniversary Gala, Friday, November 3.

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### **Barry Kasdan Scholarship Recipient**

Bria Fernandes, junior at UCONN studying Psychology is the recipient of the 2017 Barry Kasdan Scholarship. Bria is the daughter of Deb Gannon, Youth and Young Adult Services Coordinators. She was awarded the scholarship at the June meeting of Bridges Board of Directors. The Barry Kasdan Scholarship fund is for Bridges employees and their families pursuing a degree in the human services fields. It is funded by proceeds from his retirement dinner, which were placed in the Endowment Fund.

In the photo - L to R Board Scholarship Committee Chair Ann Yost , Deb Gannon, Bria Fernandes, Board Chair Michelle LeMere, Barbara DiMauro

## Building a Healthy Community



## Early Bird Registration is Now Open!

Join us for Folks on Spokes Ride and the Walk for Suicide Awareness to raise awareness, funds, promote mental wellness, and show support for people on their road to recovery from the challenges of a mental illness or addiction.

## Behavioral Health Home

is an innovative, integrated healthcare service delivery model that is recovery-oriented, person and family centered

Did you miss the BHH Health and Wellness Fair? Here are some photos from the day of wellness.







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