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FAIRFIELD COUNTY SPORTS COMMISSION NAMES SPORTS PERSONS OF THE YEAR IN 16 COMMUNITIES

The Fairfield County Sports Commission today announced its 2016 Sports Persons of the Year in each of the 16 communities the Commission directly serves. The local sports honorees will be recognized at the 12th annual Sports Night awards dinner, Monday, Oct. 17 at the Hyatt Regency Greenwich at 6 pm.

In each of the 16 towns, a committee headed by a local town representative of the Commission, selected a Sports Person of the Year. Each winner was deemed to have had the most positive impact in their sports community from Aug. 2015-Aug. 2016.

The Sports Persons of the Year are:

BRIDGEPORT- University of Bridgeport Women's Soccer Team, NCAA D-II Final 4
DARIEN- Darien High Football Team, Undefeated Class LL champions, ranked #1 in state
EASTON- Barlow High Boys Golf Team, Division II state champions
FAIRFIELD- Ludlowe High Lacrosse Teams, Sticks for Soldiers program
GREENWICH- Adnerys De Jesus, Greenwich High gymnast, won all 5 Class L state titles
MONROE- Brian Walker, Runner who has participated in a road race in all 169 CT towns
NEW CANAAN- Olivia Hompe & Sarah Mannelly, Women's college lacrosse Top 25 players
NEWTOWN- Curtis Urbina, Youth wrestling coach
NORWALK- Seiji Hosokawa, Norwalk High Boys Tennis, State Open champion
SHELTON- Shelton High Football Team, Class LL State runner-up
STAMFORD- Stamford High Girls Basketball Team, Class LL State Champions
STRATFORD- Tyler Matakevich, Temple football, National D-1 Defensive Player of Year
TRUMBULL- Jenna Bike, St Joseph High Girls Soccer, National Player of the Year
WESTON- Mark Berkowitz, Weston High Athletic Director
WESTPORT- Lucas Hausman, Bowdoin College basketball standout
WILTON- The late Tom Fujitani, legendary Wilton High football coach

With the 16 new honorees, the FCSC has honored a total of 183 local sports persons.

FCSC is a 501c3 non-profit organization that is the one-stop resource for the county's sports community, with a mission of promoting fitness and personal development through sports. The Commission, with the exception of the executive director, is an all-volunteer group that gives financial support and its resources back to its communities, primarily focused on the 110,000 school age youngsters it can reach with its fitness awareness education programs under its Chelsea Cohen Fitness Academy.

For more information concerning tickets and sponsorship opportunities for Sports Night, visit www.fairfieldcountysports.com or call Tom Chiappetta at 203-984-4806.