



2015 NEWSLETTER

A YEAR IN REVIEW



The Fairfield County Sports Commission is a 501c (3) non-profit, educational and charitable organization dedicated to developing, implementing and supporting community programs designed to promote and educate our youth on fitness, nutrition and an active, healthy lifestyle as well as personal development through sports. The Commission's Chelsea Cohen Fitness Academy is the primary umbrella vehicle for these programs.

Since 2011, the Cohen Academy has traveled to four different county communities (Norwalk, Stamford, Bridgeport and Newtown) to welcome nearly 1,500 summer camp kids from 6 different towns (Bridgeport, Norwalk, Stamford, Greenwich, Stratford and Newtown) and 10 different youth organizations for a day of fun, physical activity and education on nutrition and living a healthy lifestyle.



The 16 community Sports Persons of the Year were recognized at SportsNight in October.



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LOOKING BACK ON 2015

It was another successful year for the FCSC to have an impact on the youth and sports communities throughout the county. The Commission's financial support of nutrition and fitness programs through after-school alliances in Stamford and Norwalk continued, as well as expanding its educational panels on timely sports topics. New Hall of Fame members were welcomed and many new friends were made. See the following pages to view the FCSC in action in 2015.



The Commission in Action 2015



MARCH- Hall of Fame Plaque Hanging Ceremony

FCSC's annual plaque hanging ceremony took place at the Aquarion Water HOF at UConn Stamford for the class of 2014 Hall of Famers. Attendees included newly inducted Hall of Famers Chico Chacurian (in photo) and Marty Roos.



APRIL- College Recruiting & Scholarship Panel

FCSC presented a panel discussion in Newtown on college sports recruiting and the scholarship process for high school students, parents, coaches, and administrators. Panel members (shown above) discussed various topics from making the initial contact with schools to financial aid opportunities for student athletes to NCAA eligibility standards and deadlines.



MAY- Meet the Mets Fundraiser

FCSC visited Citi Field for its Meet the Mets fundraiser. Attendees at the sold out event met with Mets coaches and players and former Mets hero Mookie Wilson for autographs and photos. The sponsorship support from Eric Derector and Jay Kobak (both pictured above) made the night a big success.



JUNE- New Hall of Famers Announcement

The Class of 2015 was announced at a press conference at the HOF at UConn Stamford. The new members are New Canaan's Max Pacioretti, Trumbull's Ted Drury, Westport's Lisa Brummel, Bridgeport's Jack Kvancz and Lambert Shell, who is pictured above with Greenwich's Angela Tamaro.



JULY- Tim Teufel Celebrity Golf Tournament

FCSC was the beneficiary for the 4th straight year of Tim Teufel's annual golf tournament at Tamarack CC in Greenwich. The 25th anniversary event, sponsored by Steven Eisenstadt and Sweet'N Low, included 18 sports celebrities, headlined by Mets pitcher Matt Harvey (photo left being greeted by Tim).

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AUGUST- Check Presentation to Shehan Center

FCSC presented a \$2,500 check to the Shehan Center in Bridgeport to benefit the Center's Fitness for Life program. Executive director Terry O'Connor (in photo) accepted the donation on behalf of the Center.



SEPTEMBER- Mets Round Two

FCSC returned to Citi Field to host another sold out event at the Honda Clubhouse. Attendees again met with Mets players and coaches, including third base coach and FC Sports Hall of Famer Tim Teufel (shown above), for autographs and photos prior to game time.



OCTOBER- 11th Annual Sports Night

FCSC's evening for celebrating sports in the county was once again at the Hyatt Regency Greenwich. Over 350 attended the gala which recognized over 25 award winners, including Chelsea Cohen Courage Award winner Giacomo Brancato of Fairfield (in photo).



NOVEMBER- Fantasy Sports Panel Discussion

FCSC partnered with the Region 1 Gambling Awareness Team to present "The New Game in Town", a panel (shown above) conducted in Norwalk that discussed the increasing popularity of daily fantasy sports and its effect on gaming players.



DECEMBER- ICAP Charity Day

FCSC participated in a corporate charity day hosted by ICAP in Jersey City, NJ. Celebrities Mookie Wilson (pictured) and Jeff Feagles, who were representing FCSC, met with ICAP staff and clients. A major donation from ICAP is expected in February, 2016.

FCSC thanks all of our sponsors, donors and volunteers for their continued support. WE CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU!