



NSBCare Valentines for Seniors

Our employees made and delivered over 250 valentines to local senior citizens at The Village at Brookfield Common and the Woodbury Senior Center. Thank you to everyone who contributed and to Toni French, Closing Department Manager, for leading this effort.

How to Avoid Romance Scams



Millions of people turn to online dating apps or social networking sites to meet someone new in their life. But instead of finding romance, many find scammers trying to trick them into sending money.

Read about the stories romance scammers use and learn the #1 tip for avoiding a romance scam by visiting the [Federal Trade Commission's](#) website.

Honoring Black History Month

We celebrated Black History Month by showcasing quotes from groundbreaking leaders on Facebook and Instagram to recognize their central role in U.S. history.

Speaking of leaders, you may recognize Ted and Paige Parker, owners of [Vibrant Health](#), from our recent commercials. Vibrant Health ranks 81 on the [Black Enterprise List](#) of our nation's largest black-owned



businesses, and they also made the [Forbes List](#) of black-owned businesses to support. Thanks for choosing us as your local bank!

Paige & Ted Parker, Owners of Vibrant Health, a nutritional supplement company based in Shelton, CT

Market Update from Jim Wallace



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As the new year gets under way, we recognize that 2020 was challenging to say the least. Last year was a reminder of the importance of basic investing principles such as staying invested and diversified*. We are expecting global growth to return to pre-crises levels due to the unprecedented policy response, better than expected economic data and positive news on the vaccine front. As we look toward brighter days, consumer behavior and continued favorable policy response will shape the global economy and markets.

Of equal importance is the overall well-being of our valued clients as we emerge from this global health crisis. As always, our team at [Newtown Investment Solutions](#) is here to provide advice and guidance, or answer any questions that you may have regarding the markets.

**Diversification is a method of helping to manage risk. It does not assure a profit or the avoidance of loss.*

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Great Prize Savings Winner

Congratulations to Oxford resident, **Lisa Banks**, for being our most recent Great Prize Savings winner!

With this account, each time you make a qualifying deposit, you aren't just increasing your savings, but increasing your chance to win. Every quarter, we randomly choose one winner to surprise with a \$1,500 deposit into their account.

You could be our next winner - [Open your Great Prize Savings account today!](#)



Pictured L-R: Mark Lucas - Customer Experience Manager, Sue Kovacs - Market Manager, Lisa Banks - Winner, Ken Weinstein - President & CEO

Employee News

Congratulations to the following employees on their promotions!

Promoted to Vice President

Peter Gerardi - Regional Market Manager
Nancy Kuhn - Regional Market Manager
Katie Smith - Regional Experience Manager

Promoted to Assistant Vice President

Jennifer Blatchley - Customer Experience Manager II
Rebecca Brown - Manager - Learning & Development
Nadine Paine - Financial Advisor

Promoted to Assistant Treasurer

Amber Austin - Loan Servicing
Leonid Sharshukov - Senior Credit Analyst
Kelly Williams - Residential Finance & Operational Analyst

Welcome! **Lars Edgren - VP, Commercial Loan Officer** based in the Hamden area. He is an experienced commercial real estate professional with over thirty-seven years of commercial real estate lending, underwriting and portfolio management expertise.



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