



Economic Development Activity Report March 2012

Labor Statistics January 2012

	<u>Labor Force</u>	<u>Employed</u>	<u>Unemployed</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Milford	30,245	27,966	2,279	7.5
CONNECTICUT	1,895,100	1,734,300	160,900	8.5
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Schick debuts eco-friendly razor

The new Schick® Xtreme3® Eco™ is the first disposable razor to use 100 percent recycled plastic in the production of its handle and 100 percent post-consumer paper in its packaging. Manufactured and shipped out of the company's 99.9 percent landfill-free facility in Milford, Connecticut, Schick estimates that they'll be saving over 103,000 lbs. of virgin plastic material and 15,500 lbs. of virgin paper from going into landfills each year by using recycled materials in the new razor.

The intrigue of Xtreme3 Eco extends beyond its environmental impact to the story of each razor handle's prior life. In order to have a more immediate impact on the environment, Schick chose to use post-consumer recycled plastic instead of other biodegradable or recycled materials. Among the items retrieved and recreated in the Eco razor handle are common household items like hangers, buckets and pails. Overall, the recycling effort will save enough plastic each year to go up and down the Washington Monument more than 2,330 times.

Richard Meisenheimer has opened the Blank Space Gallery at 8 South Broad St. in downtown Milford. The gallery features prints, covers and art posters.

Mood Swings on River St. has closed.

Ocean Spray Interiors will be going into the former Hebert's Jewelers on Broad Street.

Neopost USA will provide mailing equipment and supplies to a national consortium of state governments, schools and agencies.

SailQuest Boat Show will take place at Milford Lisman Landing Marina May 18-20. The show will feature new sailboats, trawlers, downeast-style powerboats and select brokerage yachts for sale from 20 to over 50 feet long.

Bonamico Woodworking, LLC has leased 800sf at 124 Pepes Farm Road.

Mustang Sally's has opened in the former Daniel Street location and closed on the Boston Post Road. They plan to add a kitchen.

The Milford Lodge – Holiday Inn Express will replace the former Comfort Inn at 278 OGL. A complete makeover will begin soon.

The Advanced Wound Care Center at Milford Hospital opened its doors recently. Located in the hospital's main campus, the 2,000-sf facility offers five treatment rooms and most technologically advanced equipment, including two hyperbaric chambers.

Beirne Wealth Consulting LLC announced its launch as an independent Registered Investment Advisor as part of the Focus Financial Partners' Connections program. Founding partners include John Beirne Jr., John-Oliver Beirne and Jim Betzig who had been at Merrill Lynch & Co. The firm is located at 612 Wheelers Farms Road.

Colonial Coatings is expanding on Erna Ave. on the site formerly housing Milford Fabricating.