



BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF THE LOWER NAUGATUCK VALLEY

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Ribas to be Roasted

Shelton, CT, October 16, 2012 – A roast has been planned for Jack Ribas in celebration of his retirement after 34 years of service to the Boys & Girls Club. Ribas is the Executive Director of the Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Naugatuck Valley, which includes two units—the Raymond P. Laviertes Clubhouse in Shelton and the Joel E. Smilow Clubhouse in Ansonia.

The event will be held at The Waterview in Monroe on Sunday, December 9, 2012, from 1-5 pm. Ticket price is \$65 per person and includes open bar, cocktail hour, full dinner, and a gift for Jack. If you are interested in attending, please stop by the Boys & Girls Club at One Positive Place in Shelton or contact Ann Wheeler at 203-924-7462, AnnWheeler@BGC-LNV.org. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

Ribas has been a youth service professional since 1971 when he started his career at the Community Center Boys Club. In 1975 he was hired as the Unit Director of the North End Boys Club in Bridgeport and in 1977 was promoted to Director of Operations for the four-unit Bridgeport organization.

In February of 1978 Jack was hired as the Executive Director of the Community Center Boys Club and immediately began changing the organizational structure into its present form. Within the first three years, the Boys Club merged with the Community Center, becoming the Community Center Boys Club. In 1980 girls were added as full-time members, and the name was changed to the Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Naugatuck Valley. The Club grew from 420 members in 1978 to more than 2,300 in 2011, and the budget also grew from \$72,000 to \$1,720,000 in that same time period.

For further information about the Club, please visit us on the web or call us at 203-924-7462.

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