Roxanne Maher

From: Roxanne Maher
Sent: Wednesday, July 16, 2025 11:00 AM
To: Town Council Group
Subject: Fwd: Invitation to a Watershed community Conversation at The Ditty Bag in Mystic, this weekend:)

Begin forwarded message:

From: Naomi Rodriguez <NaomiR@ledyardct.org>
Date: July 16, 2025 at 10:11:05 AM EDT
To: Roxanne Maher <council@ledyardct.org>
Subject: Fw: Invitation to a Watershed community Conversation at The Ditty Bag in Mystic, this weekend:)

Hi Roxanne,

Can you share this invitation with the whole Town Council in case any of them would like to attend.

Thank you,
Naomi

From: Betsy Graham <betsy.graham@thelhva.org>
Sent: Tuesday, July 15, 2025 8:20 PM
To: Naomi Rodriguez <NaomiR@ledyardct.org>
Subject: Invitation to a Watershed community Conversation at The Ditty Bag in Mystic, this weekend:)

Evening, Naomi,

I am writing as a member of the Alliance for the Mystic River Watershed (www.AllianceMRW.org) to invite you to join staff and volunteers at the Ditty Bag this coming weekend, Saturday through Monday, from 11 am to 4 pm. I will be there part of each day.

This event is open to anyone who lives within SE CT, whether they reside within the watershed or not. Please invite family and friends to join you or come by themselves, as they are part of the larger community, which comprises the entirety of the towns and tribal nations. Environmental concerns don't stop at artificial boundaries and borders, but are regional. We hope that the insights gained from these sessions will apply to a much broader audience. This is looking ahead to the future of our families.

As part of our Mystic River Watershed Regeneration Action Plan (https://www.alliancemrw.org/watershed-regen-action-plan), the Alliance has engaged school children in a process called a Design Circle, where they

named an individual or community concern and brainstormed solutions. We look forward to this opportunity to speak with parents and their children about our watershed and to hearing about the environmental concerns of 300 children from diverse backgrounds. This weekend, we plan to engage more and explore how our communities can collaborate to make it safer and healthier for everyone, including future generations.

We would love to have you be a part of this team, listening and learning. This is not just for adults, but also for children. Don't hesitate to get in touch with me if you have any questions!

Please share this with your family, friends, and networks; you don't know who might be interested in learning more and having their voices and concerns heard. Below is a flyer about the event! P.S. - The Ditty Bag is a very cool coffee shop with great environmental products to tempt you :)

I hope to catch up with you there:)

With warm regards,
Betsy

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