

# Oakdale man makes financial network's elite club

**In the news:** Michael C. Doherty Jr., 53, owner of Uncasville-based Doherty Financial Services, has made the Commonwealth

Financial Network's President's Club for the second year in a row. The club is recognition that Doherty is among the top 120 of the network's 1,450 advisers.

**Family business:** Doherty has been a financial advisor since 1983. The business started in Waterford in January 1997 and moved to its current location on Nor-



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wich/New London Turnpike about 12 years ago. Doherty's father, Michael C. Doherty Sr., became a financial adviser 20 years ago and joined his son's business. Doherty Jr.'s mother, Joan, is the office administrator, and his sister, Karen Perkins, is the bookkeeper. Doherty's other sister is Kathleen Doherty-Peck, who is executive director of the Montville Senior Center.

**Father, husband, coach:** Doherty and his wife, Karen, live in Oakdale. The couple have two sons — Ryan, who recently joined the

National Guard and is a student at Three Rivers Community College in Norwich, and Kevin, a Montville High School freshman. Doherty is one of the founders and vice president of the Montville Lacrosse League and also a youth football coach.

**Education:** Doherty graduated from Montville High School in 1978. He later earned a bachelors degree in economics from Southern Connecticut State University. He has earned certifications in specialties such as retirement planning and insurance.

**Regular winner:** Doherty has been affiliated with Commonwealth Financial Network for the past 15

years, and he and his firm has been named to the President's Club seven times in the past 10 years. He was named one of the Select Wealth Managers in the December issue of Connecticut magazine. Doherty is a member of the Montville Rotary Club board of directors.

**Quotable:** "I believe in balance in all areas of life, not just in investments," Doherty said. "I swore I wouldn't come back and work in my hometown, but now look at me. I guess things are paying off after 30 years. There's no one key to success, but I'm a big believer in service. I always call people back."  
— *Compiled by James Mosher*

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