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HEALTH CARE

Covidien Moves to Long Wharf

Relocating 400 from North Haven, Norwalk

By Steve Higgins

NEW HAVEN — The Elm City will welcome 400 executives and employees to the local health-care industry in the coming months as Covidien Surgical Devices moves into the Long Wharf Maritime Center overlooking New Haven Harbor.



Whelley: 'Having Covidien here sends a strong signal that the industry is alive and well.'

The North Haven-based company plans to lease 120,000 square feet at 555 Long Wharf Drive, one of two buildings that make up the 700,000-square-foot Maritime Center. The lease has a ten-year term.

New Haven will become the new headquarters for Covidien Surgical Devices, which previously

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RETURN OF THE PRODIGAL GRANDSON

Name: Matthew Levine

Title: Director of Marketing & Sales, Hy's Limousine & Chauffeured Transportation, New Haven

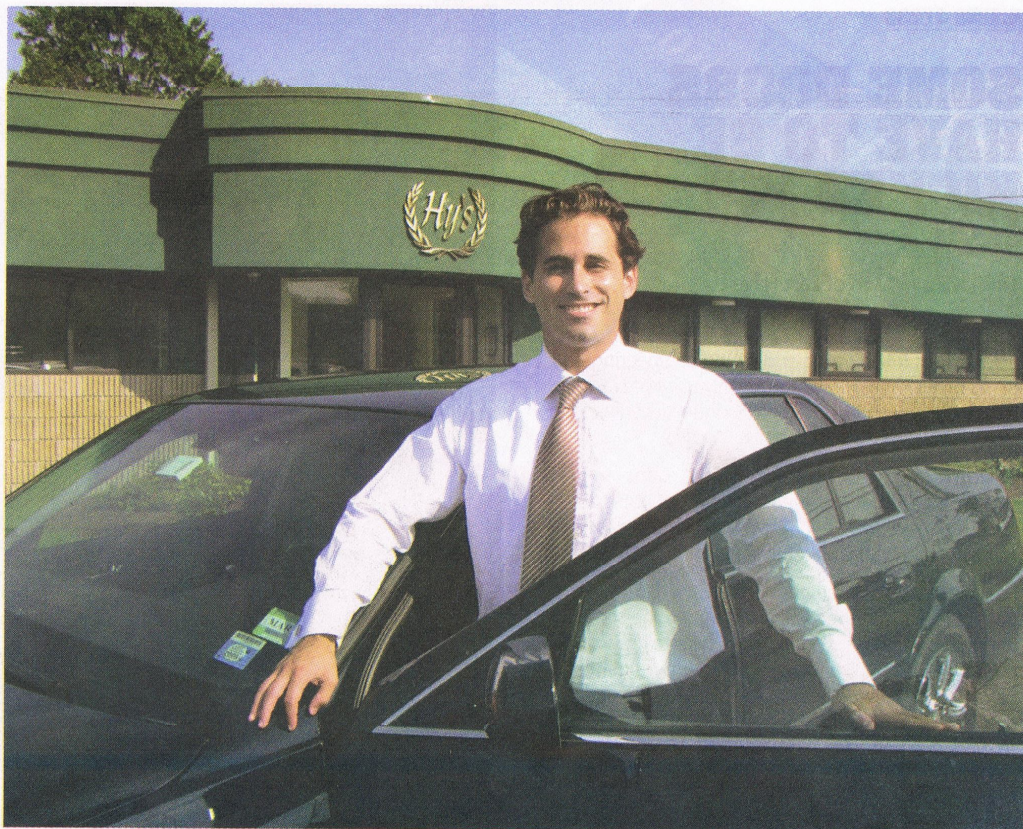
Born: New Haven, May 13, 1980

Education: BA in Finance, Syracuse University (2002)

Organization: Hy's Limousine & Chauffeured Transportation is a full-service ground-transportation provider. The company employs a team of trained customer service representatives, professional, experienced chauffeurs, and a 24-hour dispatcher team. Hy's offers more than 100 late-model vehicles including sedans, limousines, SUVs, luxury vans, passenger vans, limo buses and coach buses. Hy's main dispatch facility in New Haven concentrates on the New Haven, Fairfield, Stamford and Greenwich areas, while a New Britain dispatch location provides service in Hartford and northern Connecticut. In 1973, Matthew's father Robert Levine began working for his father at the business. In 1982, Robert took over as owner and in 1998, a second office was opened in New Britain. Matthew Levine joined his father at Hy's in 2008.

Industry Honors: Hy's Limousine consistently ranks among the "Top 50 Limousine Companies" in the U.S. in an annual ranking by *Limousine & Chauffeured Transportation* magazine.

Accomplishments: "I always like the fact that this is a family business and I didn't come right into it. After college, I lived in New York for five years working for *Rolling Stone* magazine, which was an unbelievable experience. It gave me a lot of insight into how companies work and the corporate environment. That was beneficial when it was time for me to join my family's business. Growing up, I was always running around the office and in the back of my mind I knew that working here was something I wanted to do. It seemed like the natural next step and I felt like I was coming home."



Levine: 'These economic times are challenging, and it's more important than ever to market, advertise and keep everyone at the company involved.'

Person(s) Who Most Influenced My Life:

"Definitely my parents. I had a great childhood and I couldn't have asked for more supportive parents. I have a twin brother and he'd be up there on my list as well. I like that I was never really pushed to do anything. My parents never pushed me in one direction or another when it came time for [career] decision-making. They didn't pressure me and let me figure out what needed to be done."

Guiding Philosophy: "This company has been around for over 50 years and what drives me every day is to try to move forward. I know that's broad. With technology being such a big part of my job, I'm constantly trying to evolve, update and stay as current

as possible to keep us in the best technology solutions available. This is true for the sales and marketing end of the business, dispatch and even the technology that is available for vehicles today. We're working in such a competitive environment that I have no choice but to stay ahead. Since I oversee so many different things — marketing, advertising, sales and IT — I have to move forward just a bit each day. These economic times are challenging, and it's more important than ever to market, advertise and keep everyone at the company involved and excited to work. I'm proud that we're still moving forward in these times. It keeps my morale up and it helps me pass it on."

— Melissa Nicefaro

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