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Chamber Chatters

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THROUGHOUT THE AREA**

CHAMBER LOGO/MOTTO CONTEST - The Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce is seeking entries to "put a new face" on the organization. Two separate competitions are being held – one for a logo and one for a motto. The logo must reflect both the progress and history of the Tamaqua area. The motto should be a brief statement that will be easily remembered and one that will identify the community with a united sense of progress and cooperation between citizens and businesses. A complete set of rules/guidelines are available on the Chamber's website – www.tamaqua.net or can be picked up at the Chamber office, located at 114 West Broad Street, Tamaqua.

MC DONALDS COUPON BOOKS - The Tamaqua Rotary Club is selling \$5 McDonald's Coupon booklets. A \$25 value this book is packed with discounts on all your favorite McDonalds foods. Also contains coupons for FREE items. Booklets are available from any Rotary Club member or stop by the Chamber office and purchase yours today!

NEW WEBSITE – ETA Benefits Group is proud to announce the launch of their brand-new website. This new "online office" has a whole new look and a host of new features designed to meet customers' insurance needs. Log on today and receive FREE quotes on your auto, home, boat, ATV, business or commercial insurance package 24/7, customer service forms and product and insurance information. **ETA Benefits Group** is an independent insurance agency located at 242 East Broad Street, Tamaqua. For more information, log on to www.etabenefits.com or call (570) 668-6800. Visit us on Facebook and stay informed on the latest news from our agency.

HAROLD "HT" FRYER BENEFIT – Harold "HT" Fryer, a 2009 Tamaqua graduate has been diagnosed with Aplastic Anemia while in boot camp with the Navy. Liberty Tax Service will be hosting a roadside benefit party on Saturday, **February 5**, noon to 3 p.m. in the M & T Bank Parking Lot. Please stop by for free hot dogs courtesy of The Chili Dog, popcorn, hot chocolate, coffee and other refreshments. We will be doing a 50/50 drawing, a bake sale and Liberty Tax will donate \$20 for every return we prepare that Saturday and Sunday to benefit H. T.

SATURDAY NIGHTS LIVE AT THE STATION- Saturday, **February 5** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street. Enjoy your favorite foods plus free live music outside in their Main Dining Room. Featured will be Sterling Koch, a nationally recognized lap steel guitarist. Call (570) 668-5020 for more information.

VINTAGE VALENTINES WEEKEND- **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street. Saturday, **February 12** and Sunday **February 13** you can choose from a select menu of their most romantic and delicious foods. Monday, **February 14** you can enjoy the heart capturing keyboards of Sherry Marchesky. Plus you can receive a free red rose for your sweetheart. Reservations are strongly suggested. Call (570) 668-5020 for more information and hours.

GROOMING AND SHOWMANSHIP CLINIC PART II- This clinic is for those who already have the basics of showmanship down. A lot of time will be spent in the ring with a strong emphasis on schooling the horse in the different parts of the pattern. The clinic will take place at **Pleasant Valley Ranch** on Saturday **February 19** from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

LIVE MUSIC- Stop by **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, on Friday, **February 25** from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. to hear live music played for the first time in their Bar Room. Featured will be the ever popular Dave Derbes. Go in for some great food, great drinks and really great music.

EVERYTHING BINGO – An "Everything" Bingo will be held at **St. Jerome Regional School**, 250, West Broad Street, Tamaqua on Sunday, **February 27, 2011** at 1:30 p.m. Prizes include Longaberger, Lia Sophia, Avon, Mary Kay, Tastefully Simple, Premier Jewelry, Scentsy and more! Door open at noon. For more information call (570) 668-2757

SPRING STORYTIME- The Tamaqua Public Library is pleased to announce that they will again be conducting their annual Spring Story time soon. This year's theme is "See if you can guess the theme of the day." Children ages 2-5 are invited to join for stories and crafts in the children's area of the library. Story time begins Monday, **March 7** and will run for 10 consecutive weeks. Identical programs will be held every Monday and Tuesday morning from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Call (570) 668-4660 for more information and to register.

INTRO TO DRESSAGE CLINIC- Stop by **Pleasant Valley Ranch** on **March 12** to learn the basics of the tests and what dressage is. No need to ride in an English saddle. Discussion followed by lessons. There is a possibility of riding one of the new 2011 dressage tests. Length of lesson and size of groups depend on number of participants. Cost is \$50 which includes horse rental and trailering fee.

CALIFORNIA COAST- AAA Travel Agency will be running a trip from San Francisco down the coast to San Diego on **May 8, 2011**. The trip will last 9 days. Trip includes bus transportation to and from Allentown Airport, round trip airfare, transfers to hotel in San Francisco, 5 breakfast and 4 dinners. Limited availability up to 16 passengers. Price is \$2,599.00 per person. For more information or to make a reservation, please contact Ann Kline at Tamaqua AAA office (570) 668-1003.

HUNGRY? CHECK OUT THESE SPECIALS!

MONDAY WING NIGHT – Monday is Wing Day at the **Beacon Diner, Hometown**. Join us for \$.35 wings available in a newly expanded variety of sauces. All made fresh to order. Eat in or take out. The Beacon Diner, Hometown. For more information call (570) 668-1340.

TACO NIGHT – Every Tuesday 5:30 to 11:30 pm, **The Happy Ending**, 315 North Railroad Street, Tamaqua. Call Pat at (570) 668-3539 for more information.

STEAK & ALE NIGHT – Every Wednesday, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, Tamaqua. Featuring a 10 oz. Delmonico Steak with 2 sides and a Pint of Chesterfield Ale for just \$12.99. Call (570) 668-5020.

The Restaurant at the Station, 18 North Railroad Street, is introducing a new expanded menu featuring many of your everyday favorites at new everyday prices.

MARTINI'S & MANICURES- Every other Wednesday from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street. Ladies, get ready for the weekend or gather your friends together for a night of fun and pampering. Just \$10 each to treat yourself to both a yummy martini of your choice and a mini-manicure by Lola! Reservations are required for this event because it always sells out. Call to reserve your spot with a credit card. Your \$10 gift card will be available for you when you arrive. Use it and enjoy your martinis and a manicure. You can order with a group of friends on one credit card or have each friend call individually. (570) 668-5020.

WING NIGHT- Stop by **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, ANY night for their new extra large whole wings, but Thursday Night Football means wings for just \$5.00 with tons of awesome sauces.

SHRIMP NIGHT- Every Friday at **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, features shrimp, served golden or in your choices of sauce with hand cut fries and coleslaw for just \$9.99.

GOLDEN SPIKE INN – Golden Spike Inn on Center Street in Tamaqua has a vast railroad heritage! Friday and Saturdays the Spike serves tasty meals, including mouth-watering crab cakes, steaks, unique chicken specialties, plus freshly made burgers, homemade soups and desserts! And don't forget to stop by weekday evenings and watch their large screen TV's while enjoying exclusive ice-cold beers on tap, including Sam Adams, Franziskaner and Leinakugel. (570) 668-4959.

SKIPPER DIPPERS- Located on Route 309 North in Hometown offers great weekly specials. Check them out online by going to www.skipperdippers.com. **Skipper Dippers** is open daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Stop by for breakfast, lunch or dinner. Their wonderful ice cream is always on the menu. Join them on Facebook for the most up to date information at www.facebook.com/skipperdippers.

SUPER BOWL SNACKS- **The Beacon Diner**, located in Hometown is now offering great snacks for your Super Bowl Party. They are offering .35 cent wings or a bakers dozen for just \$4.25 in a newly expanded variety of sauces. They also have mini burgers, nachos, and meat trays. All of their regular menu items are available for take out. Call (570) 668-1340 for more information or to order your snacks.

QUILTING CLASS – Every Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. **Carolyn's Quilt Shop**, 109-2 East Broad Street, Tamaqua. Don't know how to machine quilt? Here is your chance to learn. For more information call Carolyn at (570) 668-3090.

QUILTS OF VALOR ARE STILL BEING ACCEPTED AT CAROLYN'S QUILT SHOP – Drop off your handmade quilts (larger than a lap quilt) at 109-2 East Broad Street, Tamaqua and we will send them to the troops for you. Call Carolyn at (570)668-3090 for details.

LIBERTY TAX SERVICE- 111 East Broad Street is offering Chamber members and its employees a \$50 CASH rebate on their individual tax returns. Please call Celena at (570) 668-4026 for a coupon, or stop in anytime. Liberty Tax would also love to help you with your fundraising needs. No out of pocket money to spend and 100% of the proceeds go to your organization. Ask Celena how.

KICKBOXING CLASS- USA Martial Arts, 118 East Broad Street, is now having high energy kickboxing workouts every Tuesday and Thursday from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Fitness kickboxing takes the music, excitement, and energy of an aerobics workout and does it one better. Class includes free bag gloves or hand wraps. Fees are \$35 monthly for unlimited classes or \$20 monthly for once a week classes. Call (570) 668-0565 for information on your free trial class.

2010 EDITION of "Iron Steps" Illustrated History of Tamaqua by Donald Serfass is now available through the **Tamaqua Historical Society** at the Tamaqua Chamber office for just \$20. This revised edition includes information from Donnie's first publication, along with new and exciting information on events and people that are important pieces of Tamaqua's past. Wholesale pricing is available to any business and/or organization wishing to purchase the books in quantities as low as 12 copies. Call the Society today at (570) 668-5722 for more information.

RECEIVE a \$10 GAS CARD – Let the staff of **McNealis Insurance**, Allstate Insurance Co., quote your home or auto insurance and receive a FREE \$10 gas card (no purchase necessary). Let them introduce you to their Exclusive Financial Services Specialist in order to review your life and/or mortgage insurance or to explore our many financial products. 232 Pine Street. Call (570) 668-5133.

REMEMBER WHEN VIDEO – Need to turn those old 8 mm movies to DVD's? Need Photo, Video & DJ Service? Call Frank Fabrizio at **Remember When Video** (570) 668-2444. Frank also specializes in Videos for all of your special occasions – weddings, anniversaries, graduation, birthdays, homecomings, etc.

TRAVELING NOTARY PUBLIC- Spectrum Senior Consultants, Inc. now has additional services for senior and caregivers. They have a traveling Notary Public. They also offer bookkeeping for seniors. They can act as Power of Attorney and provide consulting. Spectrum is also now looking for businesses to provide tips for seniors and caregivers. This free community service airs six days a week, twice a day. For more information call (570) 624-9674 or email.

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS- Carolyn's Quilt Shop, 109-2 East Broad Street, Tamaqua has patterns for crochet and knits scarves and helmet liners to be sent to our troops. For more information call (570) 668-3090.

FUNDRAISER HELP FROM VILLAS CROSSING- Villas Crossing Golf Course has opportunities available to help non-profit and charitable organizations hold fundraisers. We can help you raise money for your organization or charity of your choice through their fundraiser program. Many organizations and charities have had very successful results working with our company. Call today and let us show you how we can help you raise money for your organization. Tournament dates are filling up quickly. Call to reserve your date at (570) 386-4515.

OWL CREEK RESERVOIR PAVILION RENTAL - Planning a party or picnic and need an outdoor space? The **Owl Creek Reservoir Commission** offers a large pavilion rental. Water, electricity and toilet facilities. Also offering catering services and a disc jockey. Alcoholic beverages prohibited. For more information call Georgine Wentz at (570) 668-5608.

ATTENTION LOCAL ARTISTS – The **Tamaqua Public Library** would like to display the artwork of local artists. There is wall space in the Reading lounge for approximately 8 pieces of art. Interested artists can display their work for a one-month period and leave business cards to help promote his/her artwork. For more information call (570) 668-4660.

ONLINE VEHICLE REGISTRATION - AAA now offers instant online vehicle registration renewals, duplicate registration cards and/or stickers and title transfers. State and service fees apply for online service products. For more information contact (570) 668-1003 or email ssmyrl@aaaschuylkill.net

TAMAQUA COMMUNITY CENTER – Available for your private party, wedding, social event, Non-profit organization functions or group meetings. Seating capacity of 175. Reasonable rates. Handicap accessible. For details and a fee schedule call (570) 668-0300.

SPEAKER AVAILABLE FOR YOUR CHURCH, CLUB, COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION – Call Judy Hoppes, Carbon/Tamaqua American Cancer Society, at (888) 227-5445, Option 3, for more information.

“Now, more than ever, it pays to belong to the Tamaqua Chamber”.

PLEASE NOTE: Chamber members are encouraged to submit their announcements, news and events by email to taccamanda@verizon.net or call 668-1880 before Thursday of each week to insure publication.