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Chamber Chatters

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TAMAQUA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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Chamber Memberships must be current in order to have your events listed in the Chamber Chatters.

**** New items this week**

**** COMMUNITY SIDEWALK/YARD SALE-** The Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its Annual Community Sidewalk/Yard Sale on Saturday, **August 6, 2011** from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Reserve your sidewalk space on Broad Street \$10 or hold a sale at your home and get your location on the map \$5. Rain or Shine event! For more information call the Chamber office at (570) 668-1880.

**** SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL –** The **First United Methodist Church**, 124 West Broad Street, Tamaqua, presents the Third Annual Summer Film Festival. Shows start at 7 p.m. Free Admission and Refreshments! This year's schedule includes: Sunday, **June 26-** *The Bishop's Wife*, Sunday, **July 24,** *NOAH – The Musical*, Sunday, **August 28 – Wesley**, Sunday, **September 11,** *Billy*. For more information call (570) 668-3588.

**** FREE SUMMER CONCERTS –** The Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce presents the 5th Annual Free Summer Concert Series, on the platform of the Tamaqua Railroad Station. This year's lineup includes:
June 30 – Steve Brosky & Jimmy Meyer (Blues), **July 14 –** The BC Combo (Blues), **July 21 –** It Takes Two (Top 40 & Classic), **July 28 –** Kathy Rimm (Acoustic Classic Rock), **August 11,** Wildcat (Classic Rock), **August 25 –** Lizard Creek (Celtic), **September 8 –** Christopher Dean Band (Blues & Soul), **September 22 –** Todd Wolfe Band (Blues). Reserve your table on the platform and enjoy a delicious dinner and drinks or just bring your lawn chair or blanket and join us for a relaxing evening of free musical entertainment. For more information call (570) 668-1880.

**** COUPONING CLASS –** Julie Delprione will be teach a class on collection, organization and use of coupons on July 14, 2011, 6 p.m. at the **Tamaqua Salvation Army**, 105 West Broad Street, Tamaqua. Class will cover many different topics such as combining coupons with store sales, stockpiling, CVS & Rite Aid Reward Program, bulk shopping vs. using coupons and how to spot deals. Class is FREE. Bring a canned food item for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Minimum 8 people needed to host this class. For more information call the Salvation Army at (570) 668-0410.

**** SUMMER STORYTIME –** The **Tamaqua Public Library** will hold its annual Summer Story Time! This year's theme is "One World, Many Stories." In keeping with the theme, our librarians will be reading and creating crafts based upon different places around the world. Children ages 2-6 will meet on Monday or Tuesday from 10a.m. to 11 a.m. starting June 27 & 28 and ending August 1 & 2 (Please note that the Library is closed July 4. Monday's class will be held on July 6). Children ages 7-12 will meet Monday nights from 6p.m. to 7:30 p.m. starting June 20 and ending on August 1. For more information or to register please call (570) 668-4660.

**** FRIDAY "YAPPY" HOUR –** 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. – Wine & Dine your Canine! Enjoy cocktails and "Yappitizer" Specials while your Doggies Mix & Mingle. All sizes welcome. Canines come dressed to impress! Please make sure your best friend plays well with others. "Yappy" Hour is a weather permitting event. Leashes are required. For more information call **The Restaurant at the Station** (570) 668-5020

**** SUMMERSHANTY ARTS & CRAFTS STUDIO -** Adult Beginner Knitting Classes, **July 9, 16, 23,** 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., Tween Knitting (Children/Teens) Make a Hat, **July 12, 19, 26,** 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.. Tween Weaving Class (Children/Teens) **July 14, 21, 28,** 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., \$15 for 3 classes plus cost of supplies. Call Cindy Miller at (570) 386-2847 or (570) 778-7711 to register or for more information.

**** CLAMTOWN TAVERN & RESTAURANT GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION BEGINS – (SPECIAL COUPON ATTACHED)** The newly renovated, FAMILY FRIENDLY, NON-SMOKING **Clamtown Tavern & Restaurant** 1000 Clamtown Road, Tamaqua is celebrating their grand opening. . Open Tuesday through Saturday 3 p.m. to 10 p.m., Sunday 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. Senior early bird specials, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday, 50% off select appetizers, 20% off select entrees. Child size portions available for children 11 and under. Take out and Catering available Call (570) 691-1698 or visit www.clamtowntavern.com Coupon and menu is also available online at www.tamaqua.net

**** TAMAQUA LIONS CLUB CHICKEN BARBECUE** – Saturday, **July 23, 2011** Buehler Community Park (The Bungalow), Tamaqua, Noon to 5 p.m. Eat in or Take Out! Advance Tickets required! Pick-ups by 4 p.m.. Ask any Tamaqua Lion for tickets. Tickets also available at the Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce, 114 West Broad Street or by calling Lion Fran Stahl (570) 668-2699. Remember to turn in your used eyeglasses at the event!

HELP WANTED: KITCHEN VOLUNTEER- The **Tamaqua Area Adult Day Care Center** is looking for volunteers to work in their kitchen 3-4 hours a day. For more information please contact Phil at (570) 668-6556

FISHING RESTRICTIONS LIFTED- The Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, acting under authority of 98 pa. Code 65.25, the upper Owl Creek Reservoir is now open for fishing without any restriction of size, species, seasons or creel limits until the lake is drained. This is in preparation for the water draw down before the rehabilitation projects this summer. These temporary modifications are in effect until further notice, but in no event will they remain in place after January 1, 2012.

FORKS & CORKS WINE DINNER- The **Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street is heading into Central PA to bring you wine from Shade Mountain Vineyards & Winery. Relax with friends on **June 25**, starting at 6 p.m. in the familiar dining room. Enjoy a 4-course menu designed especially for the evening for only \$37.50 per person. Each course is delicately paired with a specially selected wine. Reservation only! Please call (570) 668-5020.

DINNER & TROLLEY TOUR- On Saturday, **July 2** at 6 p.m., pianist and vocalist Greg Ransom brings dynamic vocal and piano skills that, couple with outrageous costume changes and on-stage mannerisms, deliver the electric experience of an actually Elton John concert. Add to that the smokin' Bennie & the Jets band, the Opera House's superb acoustics and its in-house, 9 foot grand piano, and you've got a riveting show that will please any fan of classic pop music. Combine this with a divine dinner at Tamaqua's **Restaurant at the Station** and an old fashioned trolley ride to and from Jim Thorpe's Mauch Chunk Opera House for a fantastic summer night to remember. Only 24 tickets available. Cost is just \$65.00 per person and includes dinner, trolley transportation and show. Call today for information and tickets. Deadline for purchase is June 18. Due to its unique nature, all purchases are non-refundable for this event. Tax, gratuity and alcoholic beverages are not included.

BAND CONCERTS-The Cressona Band will be having a FREE concert in Tamaqua. This concert will be held at the East End Playground on **July 13** at 7 p.m. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy this talented group of musicians.

FLOOD BUCKETS – The Outreach Committee from **Zion Lutheran Church** is collecting donations for flood buckets; you can drop items off at the church (Greenwood & Mauch Chunk Streets) by called (570) 668-2180 or drop items at the Chamber of Commerce (114 West Broad Street). Items needed are large 5-gallon lidded buckets, sponges, work gloves, Playtex gloves, bleach, 50-78 oz. dry laundry detergent, 25 oz. liquid dishwashing detergent, 6-8 oz. insect repellent, 50 or 100 ft. clothesline, 50 clothespins, 40-45 gallon heavy duty trash bags, Easy Wipes or other cleaning reusable towels and scouring pads. New items please. Size specifications are so the items fit into the buckets. Flood Buckets are sent to any area in need. For questions or more information call Fran Stahl at (570) 668-2699.

TAMAQUA PUBLIC LIBRARY SUMMER HOURS – Starting Saturday, July 2 through Saturday, September 3, the library will be observing its summer hours – Monday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Sunday – closed. The Library will be closed Monday, July 4, 2011 in observance of Independence Day.

HUNGRY? CHECK OUT THESE SPECIALS!

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!

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.

WING NIGHT- Every Thursday at **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, stop in and try some of their delicious wings for just \$5.00 with tons of awesome sauces.

SHRIMP BASKET 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 \$8.99.

2ND SUNDAY TEA - Enjoy the finer things in life amidst the ambiance of our beautiful Victorian Train Station on the 2nd Sunday of each month from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Indulge in a leisurely afternoon with a delightful 5 Course High Tea which includes: Salad, Scones and Tea Cakes with Cream & Jam, trio of Tea Sandwiches, Soup and Dessert complete with a selected Tea of the Month. \$15.99 per person (Pre-paid reservations are required) **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, Tamaqua (570) 668-5020. Next Tea will be held on July 10.

GOLDEN SPIKE INN – **Golden Spike Inn** on Center Street in Tamaqua has a vast railroad heritage! Friday and Saturdays the Spike serves tasty meals, 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. Check their daily specials on FaceBook.

SKIPPER DIPPERS- Located on Route 309 North in Hometown offers great weekly specials. Check them out online by going to www.skipperdippers.com. 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.

FREE BASIC COMPUTER TRAINING – The Senior Training Seniors Program offers one-on-one computer instruction. The general public can also be served on a space available basis. The program is being offered at the **Tamaqua Public Library**, Monday through Thursday during normal operating hours. Please call Bill or Patti at (570) 668-0401 or (570) 668-4660 for more information.

QUILTING CLASS – Every Wednesday 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. or 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.

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.

LIBERTY TAX SERVICE- 111 East Broad Street, 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 (570) 668-6112.

THE BALLIET AGENCY- As life changes, your insurance needs to change with it. Make sure your protection is up to date. Balliet Insurance Agency offers auto insurances, homeowner's, business owners, worker's compensation, motorcycle, snowmobile, ATV, and boat insurance. For more information call (570) 669-9373.

FREE QUOTES FROM AAA- For a free, no-obligation quote on Home, Auto or Life insurance please call Kristine Llewellyn or Sue Smyrl at **AAA Insurance Agency** (570) 668-1003 or you can email them at kllewellyn@aaaschuykill.net or ssmyrl@aaaschuykill.net. They deal with several different companies, some of which offer discounts to AAA members.

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.

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.

**CHECK OUT THE CALENDAR AT TAMAQUAAREA.COM FOR EVEN MORE EVENTS
THROUGHOUT THE AREA**

“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.