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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. Forms are also available online at www.tamaqua.net. **Location maps will be available at the Chamber office.**

**** FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY CLASS –** Over a million people have benefited from this solid principles of common-sense money management course. Find a simple way to manage your household income and expenses and avoid spending more money than you earn! Classes start at the **Tamaqua Salvation Army on September 8, 2011**, and run each week until December 8, 2011. Class meets from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.. Get a **free preview on Thursday, August 25, 2011** at 6 p.m. and be eligible to win a Free Lifetime Membership Kit. To register or for more information call Dina at (570) 668-0410

**** TAMAQUA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT -** The Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 4th Annual Golf Tournament on Wednesday, **September 14, 2011** at Mountain Valley Golf Course. 4 Person Scramble, 1 p.m. Shotgun Start. \$85 per golfer – includes \$50 Nike gift card to spend that day in the Nike Tent, 2011 Tournament coupon and a 2011 Pro Shop Merchandise Discount Coupon. Bring a foursome for only \$325. Dinner, liquid refreshments and plenty of prizes and fun! For more information or to register call (570) 668-1880 or check out our registration information online at www.tamaqua.net

**** 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: **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.

BLOOD DRIVE – Zion Church, Lewistown Valley, 489 Valley Road, Tamaqua will host a blood drive from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, **August 7, 2011**, in conjunction with **Miller-Keystone Blood Center**. Donors who register at any MKBC donor center or blood drive between now and September 3 have a chance to win a \$100 gas card. Winners will be drawn weekly. For more information contact Chairperson Barbara Koch Hill at (570) 668-5809.

TAMAQUA FARM MARKET – Every Saturday **Leiby's Farm Market**, Lewistown Valley and **My Nana's Kitchen** (Lucy Gerace and her famous Sticky Buns) will be at the North Railroad Street Lot from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Stop by for fresh homemade, home grown produce. Lucy and Leiby's will also be at 204 East Broad Street every Tuesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information call the Chamber office at (570) 668-1880.

2011 TAMAQUA SALVATION ARMY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – August 8 to 12, 2011, 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Free to children ages 6-12. Includes Bible Lessons, Arts & Crafts, Games, Singing, Light Dinner & Snacks. For more information contact the **Tamaqua Salvation Army** at (570) 668-0410.

FOOD & BAKE SALE – Friday, August 17, 2011, Tamaqua Adult Daycare Center, 300 West Broad Street, Tamaqua. Hot food and great baked goods, 10 a.m. to noon. Rain date August 19. For more information call Phil at (570) 668-6554

RUSH TOWNSHIP BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION – Rush Township is celebrating 200 year with a Community Day Celebration on Sunday, **August 28** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Rush Township Municipal Building. Remote radio broadcast, children's activities, informational sessions, business displays and more! Free light refreshments. For more information call Rush Township Municipal Building at (570) 668-2938.

TROLLEY SHOWS – Are you looking for something unique, entertaining, romantic and nostalgic? Dine at the **Restaurant at the Station** in the beautifully restored 1874 Tamaqua Train Station then take an old fashioned trolley ride to the Historic Mauch Chunk Opera House in Jim Thorpe to see a world-class show. All inclusive 3 course dinner, show tickets and trolley ride to and from the Opera House. **September 10 –** Real Diamond \$67.50 (Neil Diamond Show), **October 22 –** The Eric Clapton Tribute \$67.50, **November 5 –** The Acclaimed John Lennon Show \$72.50, **December 3 –** Peek-A-Boo Revue Christmas Show \$74.50 (Adult content). For more information call (570) 668-5020

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 **August 14, 2011**.

\$5 FOOTLONGS AT TAMAQUA SUBWAY – Tamaqua Subway is offering \$5 Footlongs from **July 14, 2011 to August 15, 2011**. Any Footlong just \$5. For more information or to place an order call (570) 668-1193.

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, **August 28 –** Wesley, Sunday, **September 11**, Billy. For more information call (570) 668-3588.

TAMAQUA ROTARY SCHEDULE – **August 10**-Business Meeting, 8 a.m. Tamaqua Salvation Army, **August 17 –** Program, 8 a.m., Tamaqua Salvation Army, **August 24 –** Program, 8 a.m. Tamaqua Salvation Army, **August 30 –** Program, 8 a.m. Tamaqua Salvation Army, **September 7 –** Business Meeting, 6 p.m. TBA, **September 14 –** Governor's Visit, 8 a.m. Tamaqua Salvation Army. For more information or to join, please contact Gary Price, Secretary at (570) 668-2775.

BEER PAIRING DINNER – **The Restaurant at the Station** will hold an amazing 4 course beer dinner featuring the Award Winning Beers from Leinenkugel Brewery, Wisconsin on Saturday, **August 13**, 6:30 p.m. Celebrate summer with 4 beers from America's 7th Oldest Brewery paired with a fantastic four course feast! Four course dinner, including beers, is just \$38.50 per person. This has to be one of the best deals in town! Reservation needed. Call (570) 668-5020 today!

BACK TO SCHOOL SUMMER BOOT CAMP – **The Tamaqua Salvation Army** will hold a Free Back to School Summer Boot Camp **August 15 through 19**, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for children ages 6-12. An educational and recreational program where children will be involved in cooperative/team activities, arts, crafts, and computer learning along with tips in organizing, money, skills, goal setting, writing & reading, brain tweaking and healthy eating. Lite lunch included. Enrollment is limited and registration is required. For information or to register call Dina at (570) 668-0410.

ST. LUKE'S MINERS MEMORIAL HOSPITAL ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT – Friday, **August 19, 2011**, Mahoning Valley Country Club. 1 p.m. Shotgun Start. Sponsor & Individual opportunities available. Full Scramble Format. Limit 120 Players. For more information or to register call Micah Gursky at (570) 645-8118.

FREE SECOND LOOK AT YOUR PERSONAL TAX RETURNS – **H & R Block**, 395 East Broad Street, Tamaqua wants to know if you are confident your tax return is correct? Call today for more information or to schedule an appointment to meet with one of their tax professionals (570) 668-1757. Amended returns only \$99.

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

FREE WIFI AVAILABLE – Tamaqua Public Library

HUNGRY? CHECK OUT THESE SPECIALS!

CLAMTOWN TAVERN & RESTAURANT NOW OPEN – The newly renovated **Clamtown Tavern & Restaurant** is now open! 1000 Clamtown Road, Tamaqua. 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. Child size portions available for children 11 and under. Take out and catering available. Call (570) 691-1698 or visit www.clamtowntavern.com

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.

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.

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.

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.

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 s being offered at the **Tamaqua Public Library**, 30 South Railroad Street, Monday through Thursday during normal operating hours. Please call Bill at (570) 668-0401 or (570) 668-4660 for further information.

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.