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"Ossipee Valley News"

Hi folks,

This is a busy weekend, once again, coming up, so I wanted to share some highlights for you, and also bring you up to date on some ideas that are floating around the chamber for this summer. One of the new things a few of us are starting to throw around is putting together a driving tour to help those who work at our information booth know what there is to see in our beautiful area. I have been speaking with Don Brown, the owner of the Corner House Inn in Sandwich, about a Sandwich area tour. What will also come out of that is a chance for the volunteers to meet some of the area business owners, too. Ultimately, we're hoping to put together a flyer that will go in the information booth that can be handed out showing people where to drive if they want to do a day trip in that area.

Do you have any ideas for your towns? What is there to see in Madison or Effingham or Tamworth, Ossipee or Freedom? Would someone be willing to help me put something similar together for any of those towns? Please let me know ASAP, as Memorial Day Weekend, the opening date for the information booth, is just around the corner!

Summer cottage rentals

Do you have a cottage that you rent out during the summer? The chamber has a website link that gets quite a bit of traffic that you could use to market your cottage if you're interested. There is a fee to do so of \$50 for the listing and an additional... for every picture you have on the site. If interested, please tell me and send me the money by May 1.

Economic Expo

The Ossipee Main Street Program is hosting its third annual economic expo on Saturday, March 29 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ossipee Town Hall. Not only will there be a highlight on area businesses, but there will also be a focus on business resources. The chamber will be there to represent itself and all of you. Do you have flyers that you want us to display for you? Bring them by that morning between 8 and 9 a.m. or to the office before then. Do you have some spare time that day and plan on coming anyway? Sign up to sit at our booth for a half hour or an hour. Every little bit helps us and you, with the exposure you will get by being there! Please call me at 539-6201 or respond to this email. Thanks in advance for your help!

A marketing technique from the state

With the tax rebates coming out in time for the summer season we thought it would be great to remind people of all the reasons **New Hampshire helps stretch those dollars even further**. For a press release that will be distributed in April, please send us information on your:

- 1) Gas-saving packages or rebates
- 2) Tax-free shopping deals, packages, coupon booklets, etc.
- 3) Tax rebate packages
- 4) Eco-tourism properties and packages
- 5) Two-for-one and children stay/eat/visit free offers
- 6) Reduced price dining specials
- 7) Any other money-saving ideas and offers

Deadline for submission is March 30. Please email all deals, offers and packages to tai.freleigh@dred.state.nh.us. Thanks for your participation!

Staples Business Advantage

If you haven't signed up for this yet, here's another reason to do so, especially if you're already going up to Staples to make the copies. (visit the website for the application) Through your Staples Business Advantage account, you now have access to a dedicated website that you can log into with your own personal user id and password and upload documents,

store them, choose all specifications, get quotes, choose a delivery date and order them - right online. Wendy Haynes, our account representative has to register you for this website so let her know if you are interested in having access to it as soon as you can. It is of NO COST to you, it's cheaper than what you're already paying at Staples (store), and you also can have it delivered...you don't have to worry about driving to the store and wasting your own work time! Wendy Haynes' contact info is 888 224-3784 x4511 and wendy.haynes@staples.com.

Storytelling at the Corner House Inn

Andy Davis will be telling tales in front of the hearth TONIGHT at the Corner House Inn in Center Sandwich. Among other things, he will share his struggle to balance his day job as a chipmunk farmer and his passionate avocation of storytelling. His varied repertoire of tales includes equal parts magical realism, personal experience, and multicultural folklore. Dinner is served at 6:30, and storytelling begins when dessert dishes have been cleared. For more information, call 284-6219 or email info@cornerhouseinn.com.

Benefit concert for a historic building

The Capital Campaign Concert to help raise funds to repair the roof of the Old Courthouse in Courthouse Square (On Route 171 in the village) in the town of Ossipee has been rescheduled for this Saturday! This event is open to the public, donations at the door, audience members please bring something for the Pot luck intermission. The event will be from 12 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Pot luck lunch and intermission will be from 2:30 to 3 p.m. Music from many genre's will be played throughout. R&B, Classical, Country, Blues, ETC. FMI please call 603-651-3268.

Save the date!

The Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center is pleased to announce its 16th 'Taste of the Valley' Food Festival. Please join us on Sunday, March 30th at the Whittier House Restaurant, West Ossipee. A complete dinner will be served, featuring menu samples from several area restaurants. The Whittier House Restaurant is handicapped accessible and will provide a cash bar for the event. This is a major fundraising event for the Center, which our community looks forward to each year. There will be two sittings: the first from 4:30 to 6 p.m. and the second from 6:00 to 7:30.

Tickets are available at the Whittier House and at the Bearcamp Valley School and Children's Center in Tamworth. Adult tickets cost \$12 in advance, \$13.50 at the door; a family ticket costs \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. This is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a delicious dinner with family and friends while supporting a non-profit child care and early education center serving Tamworth's children for more than forty years. For more information or to reserve tickets, please call the Bearcamp Valley School at 323-8300.

Comedy at the Barnstormers

The Master of Down East Humah, Tim Sample, will be at The Barnstormers next week, Friday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. to benefit The Barnstormers. Tickets are \$22 in advance (at The Other Store, Tamworth, and by 9-10 a.m. on Thursday 3/20 also at the North Sandwich Store and Sandwich General Store) - and \$24 at the door. Open seating (first come first served..) Tim reminds us that no low-flying aircraft will be allowed in the theatre. For more information, call 323-8500. Happy first day of Spring!

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