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Chamber Chatters

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HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND AND ENJOY THE SUNSHINE.

There is always plenty to do outdoors at these events in and throughout the Tamaqua Area.

**NEWSWATCH 16 AND JOE SNEDECKER ARE COMING
TO DOWNTOWN TAMAQUA ON WEDNESDAY 07/21/10, WHEN JOE MAKES
AN OFFICIAL STOP AT DEPOT SQUARE PARK FOR LUNCH, DURING HIS**

ANNUAL

**“GO-JOE RIDE FOR ST. JOSEPH’S CENTER.”
START MAKING PLANS NOW TO PARTICIPATE.
MORE DETAILS WILL BE COMING SOON.**

EAST END FIRE COMPANY BLOCK PARTY- Take time to enjoy great music, food and games all weekend. Times and bands are as follows, Friday **June 11-** 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. featuring Bounty Hunter. Saturday **June 12-** 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. featuring Cameltoe. Sunday **June 13-** 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. featuring Three Hot Dogs and a Doughnut.

20TH ANNUAL TAMAQUA SUMMERFEST – SUNDAY, JUNE 20TH 10 to 5. Applications now available at the Chamber office. More details to follow. Always a great place to spend Father’s Day with the family.

FREE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES- Thursday, **June 24** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, Tamaqua featuring Fred Douglas and sponsored by Mauch Seltzer Insurance. 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. Check out our website at www.therestaurantatthestation.com or call (570) 668-5020.

YouTube VIDEO CONTEST featuring “I Said “Read Me!” 14 West Broad Street - Win free store merchandise! Create a YouTube video starring you and as many as friends as you can gather. The store must be featured in the video and it cannot be offensive in anyway. You must follow YouTube’s policies. The store can be available upon request for video. Staff may or may not help, it is up to them. You must upload the video to YouTube yourself. Video has to be found in search by using the store name. The video with the most “hits” on **June 30, 2010** is the winner. The management will order the appropriate amount of prizes for you or your team. Use imagination, get creative, remember outrageous draws “hits”, have fun!!

BENEFIT SPAGHETTI DINNER- The **Tamaqua Elks** and the Tamaqua Police Department will be hosting a benefit spaghetti dinner for Tamaqua Police Officer Matt Bynon on Saturday, **June 19** from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Tamaqua Elks, Broad & Nescopec Streets in Tamaqua. Dinners are \$8 in advance and \$9 at the door. Tickets are available at the Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce office, 114 West Broad Street, Tamaqua or with any Elks member.

CARBON-TAMAQUA UNIT’S AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY “RELAY FOR LIFE” June 25 & 26, 2 pm to 2 pm, Hometown Farmer’s Market. Great event, great cause. What can you do help?

SATURDAY NIGHTS LIVE AT THE STATION- Saturday nights from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Enjoy your favorite food plus free live music on **June 12** at **The Restaurant at the Station**, 18 North Railroad Street, in their Main Dining Room or outside on the platform if weather permits. Featuring Singer/ Songwriter and acoustic Guitarist Jason Knorr. Call to make reservations now! (570) 668-5020.

CHICKEN BBQ DINNER- **Tamaqua Lions Club** will be having a Chicken BBQ dinner at the Bungalow on **June 12** from 12 noon to 5 p.m. The cost is a donation of \$7.50; advance tickets are required with chicken pick-up or eat in by 4 p.m. Please bring in old sunglasses to turn in.

TROEG'S BEER TASTING DINNER- Come out on **June 19** at 6 p.m. at **The Restaurant at the Station** and celebrate as they put on an amazing 4-course beer dinner. Tickets are as always, just \$35 per person. This has to be one of the best deals in town. They will be featuring 4 beers from Troeg's Brewery that their chef has paired up into a fantastic 4-course feast. Hope to see you there, but please note: as always reservations are required and the capacity is only 40 people, so sign up quickly. Call (570) 668-5020.

SAVE THE DATE – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2010 – Tamaqua Chamber's 3rd annual golf tournament. Villas Crossing Golf Course. Prizes, steak dinner, refreshments and much more. Sponsorship opportunities are now available. Rain Date, Friday, September 24, 2010. Watch for more details coming soon! Call Serge at (570)778-2277 for more info.

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.

NOTE: A book signing by the author will take place during the 20th Annual Summer fest on June 20, 2010. Great gifts for Father's Day and graduation.

BLOOD DRIVE- The Miller-Keystone Blood Center has scheduled the following blood drive at St. Katherine Drexel, 124 East Abbott Street, Lansford on **June 14** from 12 noon to 6:30 p.m. For more information contact John Karnish at (570) 645-3994.

CRESSONA BAND CONCERT- The Cressona Band will be putting on a free concert **June 16** at 7 p.m. at the **Tamaqua Hi-Rise**, 222 East Broad Street. The show will feature show tunes, marches, overtures, and music of Yesteryear. Sponsored by Shafer's Pharmacy and Dr. Richard Chwastiak.

TRAIN COLLECTORS MEET AND SALE- A Father's Day Train Collectors Meet and Sale will be held on **June 20** from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the **Tamaqua Salvation Army building**, 105 West Broad Street, Tamaqua 18252. The cost for adults is \$4.00 at the door and \$3.00 in advance. Children under 12 are free. For more information contact Mike Ranck at (570) 645-9133 or at 43 East Ludlow Street, Summit Hill, PA 18250.

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STAR WALLHANGING – Want to learn mitered corners and Y seams? Join expert Quilter, Sue Paul for this intermediate quilt class. Saturday, **June 26**, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. **Carolyn's Quilt Shop**, 109-2 East Broad Street, Tamaqua. For questions or registration call (570) 668-3090.

BAKED GOODS AND CRAFT SALE- The **Tamaqua Adult Day Care Center**, 300 West Broad Street, Tamaqua, will be hosting a baked goods and crafts sale on **July 13** from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Donations are accepted. If you have any questions please contact Phil at (570) 668-6577.

ST. JEROME REGIONAL SCHOOL SUMMER FESTIVAL- Enjoy nightly entertainment **July 16-** 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. featuring Maury and Tim, **July 17-** 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. featuring Cameltoe and **July 18-** 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. featuring Remember When. Also, on July 17 the will be holding their First Annual Ice Cream Poker Run Sponsored by **Heisler's Dairy Bar** and **Skipper Dippers**. Ride begins at Heisler's at 2 p.m. Chances to win prizes such as going to the Pocono 500 Nascar Sprint Cup Series Race and other Big Money chances will be sold. Enjoy homemade food, refreshments, family entertainment, great games and prizes.

RALLY FOR THE CURE- This event will be held Saturday **July 24** at **Villas Crossing Golf Course**, 521 Golf Road, Tamaqua. Registration begins at 12 noon, 1 p.m. shotgun start. Help beat this disease by coming out and showing your support. Please call the golf shop for details and to sign up. (570) 386-4515.

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 Thursday, 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.

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- Check out **Skipper Dippers** on Facebook and become a fan!!! Stop by and enjoy a delicious breakfast, lunch or dinner. Skipper Dippers now accept credit cards.

BEGINNERS QUILTING CLASS – Every Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 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.

BUSINESS GOLF LEAGUE- You won't want to miss Wednesday Business League at **Villas Crossing Golf Course** located at 521 Golf Road. It is a great way to interact with other local businesses in the area. The league is handicapped, which means all levels of play can compete. The fee is \$13, which includes 9 holes and the golf cart. Single players are welcome to sign up as well. If anyone may be interested in sponsoring a team for the Wednesday Business League, please contact Andrew at (570) 386-4515. This is a great way to get your name in the paper on a weekly basis.

SENIOR GOLF LEAGUE- Brand New to **Villas Crossing Golf Course**, 521 Golf Road, Tamaqua, will be their Senior Golf League. If you're 50 years of age or older, have they got a deal for you. Each Monday they will offer a special 9 hole rate which includes golf, cart and lunch! Feel free to stop in or call the golf shop for more details.

THURSDAY NIGHT LEAGUE- **Villas Crossing Golf Course**, 521 Golf Road, scramble format. Each week pairings change and you will have the opportunity to meet new players. When you finish your round be sure to stop at the Villas Crossing Bar for their league drink specials.

QUILT CLASSES- **Carolyn's Quilt Shop**, 109-2 East Broad Street, Tamaqua offer quilting classes every Thursday and every other Saturday for beginners and the expert quilters. For dates and more information call (570) 668-3090.

ENERGY WORK GROUP- Work on grounding/shielding and offensive/defensive techniques with energy. Energy work groups will meet Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m., alternates with tarot group, at the **I Said, "Read Me!"** book store, 14 West Broad Street, Tamaqua. Anyone with an interest in working with energy is welcome. This is a "just do it" sort of group. Open to people of any/all religions or spiritual paths. No materials are needed to be brought with you. This is not a discussion group. This is for active, hands-on energy work.

CAPITAL BLUE CROSS HEALTH COVERAGE- We are pleased to inform you that **Capital Blue Cross** has been awarded a contract to administer the adult Basic program, which provides insurance coverage for adults ages 20-64. So, in the near future, Capital Blue Cross will be administering both the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) and the adult Basic Program. For more information contact Outreach Coordinator Kim Capers at 610-820-2607.

TAROT CARD GROUP- Anyone who wants to learn more about tarot is welcome. No previous experience is needed. The group is open to any religion or belief. The group will be held at the **I Said, "Read Me!"** bookstore, 14 West Broad Street, Tamaqua on Friday nights at 7:30 p.m. Group includes general readings, question specific readings, layouts and other topics as they arise. Group will start when 8-10 people have signed up.

FREE MARKETING PLAN CONTEST- **Stone Mountain Solutions, LLC**, a marketing consulting firm, wants to offer a challenge to new entrepreneurs. If you are a new business owner and don't have a marketing plan, we want to incite you to enter our contest. Go to our website www.smsolutionsco.com and click on Conest Form and tell us in 75 words or less why you should win a free marketing plan (a value of \$300). If you have decided to go into business in the last year (June 2009 to June 2010) you have a chance to win. Contest ends July 30, 2010 so hurry and get your contest form in!

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) 668-4989. Frank also specializes in Videos for all of your special occasions – weddings, anniversaries, graduation, birthdays, homecomings, etc.

HUGS FOR HEROES- **Carolyn's Quilt Shop**, 109-2 East Broad Street, Tamaqua is accepting non-perishable food items which will be collected and sent to our military men and women. For more information call Carolyn at (570) 668-3090.

FLEXER PHOTOGRAPHY- In need of professional photography services? **Flexer Photography** located at 20 Field Road, Tamaqua, has served the Tamaqua and surrounding communities since 1981. They photograph all types of portraits, pets, sports teams, dances, proms, reunions, corporate events and sport action photos. Visit their website at www.flexerphoto.com. Class of 2011 bookings are currently underway. Take advantage of a monthly special and pick up our Senior Newsletter at Neal's Picture Place which has some money saving coupons. You can contact the studio at (570) 467-3125 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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.

ST. LUKE'S OPENS 2 NEW CENTERS IN MCADOO- located at 14 North Kennedy Drive, McAdoo, approximately two miles south of the Driver's License Center. St. Luke's is now accepting new patients. The center is currently open for Physical Therapy and Wellness on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wellness walk-ins are welcome. Physical Therapy appointments require a referral. For more information or to make an appointment, St. Luke's Sport and Rehabilitation – McAdoo, can be reached at (570) 645-1885.

NEW AT SUBWAY- Subway Downtown Tamaqua, 36 West Broad Street, is now featuring a new Orchard Chicken Salad, \$5 foot long for a limited time. Yummy bites of chicken tossed with refreshing fruit in light mayonnaise, served on your favorite freshly made bread and topped with your favorite veggies. Come in early from 7 a.m. on and enjoy a muffin melt and a 16 oz. coffee for only \$2.50! Be sure to watch for upcoming events both here and on Facebook at Subway Downtown Tamaqua.

LADIES GOLF LEAGUE- Villas Crossing Golf Course, 521 Golf Road, Tamaqua, is looking to form a Ladies League. More than likely, this will be held over the weekend to accommodate all players. A short instruction session will be followed by 9 holes of play. Any player interested is encouraged to stop in the golf shop to sign up. Ideas and suggestions are welcome.

BECOME A VILLAS CROSSING MEMBER- Villas Crossing is filling up its 2010 memberships for the upcoming season. We currently have 3 available memberships left for the 2010 season. Any players who frequent our course and would like to enjoy the benefits of a membership should call us at (570) 386-4514 before they are all gone!

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) 668-030.

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 tamaquachamber@verizon.net or call 668-1880 before Thursday of each week to insure publication.