



**SATURDAY,
APRIL 10, 2010**
6:00pm to Midnight
**The Red Barn at The
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Event includes presentation of
2010 Citizen of the Year and 2010 Business Leader of the Year
Spectacular full course dinner will follow with your choice of
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2010 SMALL BUSINESS EXPO & TASTE OF THE CHAMBER BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

Mark your calendars for the 2010 Small Business Expo & Taste of the Chamber Business After Hours being held on **Thursday, May 13, 2010** at the American Legion in Rochester.

Underwritten by **Holy Rosary Credit Union**, this event provides a fantastic opportunity to showcase your business in a trade show format to Chamber members and the public for only \$100. Hors d'oeuvres and a cash bar will be provided with a Taste of the Chamber from member caterers and restaurants.

Sponsors and exhibitors of this event are promoted in the Chamber newsletter and Chamber website. Because exhibitor space is limited at this event, Chamber member small businesses are encouraged to secure an exhibitor space by May 1st.

The event is open to the public and admission is free. Guests attending the event will receive a program that includes a Small Business Expo Passport. This Passport features a layout of the exhibitors being showcased at the event.

The Expo Committee is working with KG Sports & More on bringing a celebrity to the event again this year. See the enclosed flyer.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS

THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2010
5:30-7:00PM

Hosted by:  **Frisbie Memorial Hospital**
It's about People. Technology. Trust.

Frisbie Community Education & Conference Center
Whitehall Road, Rochester, NH

RAFFLES ~ REFRESHMENTS ~ PRIZES

TRI-CHAMBERS STATE OF THE STATE BREAKFAST WITH GOVERNOR JOHN LYNCH

Tuesday, April 13, 2010
7:30-9:00am

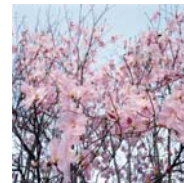
The Governor's Inn
78 Wakefield Street, Rochester, NH

See the enclosed flyer on details and to register





Update



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MEMBER BENEFITS!

SEACOAST AREA CHAMBERS CONNECTING THE SEACOAST TO FORM SEACOAST CHAMBER ALLIANCE

The Greater Rochester, Greater Somersworth, Greater Dover, Exeter Area, Greater Portsmouth and Hampton Area Chambers of Commerce have begun discussions to form a **Seacoast Chamber Alliance**. Once formed, the Alliance will be the largest business organization in the state with over 2,000 members representing over 50,000 employees.

The organizations intend to use the collective power of the Seacoast Chamber Alliance to enhance membership value, influence policy, regional promotion, and to reduce expenses for the independent Chambers by realizing economies of scale.

According to Rochester Chamber President, Laura Ring, "the Chambers involved have been collaborating together for years providing joint networking events and opportunities for our members which will continue. Discussions about forming an alliance for the seacoast chambers began a couple of years ago in finding ways to work together to provide more value to our members in terms of programs that we cannot provide individually, and provide more of a voice for our members on legislative issues."

The executives of the six Chambers will be meeting throughout the late winter to formalize the structure and by-laws for this alliance.



"UPDATE" NEWSLETTER INSERTS

Insert Requirements: 650 copies using 8 1/2x11, 20-25# paper. Provided to Chamber office no later than the 19th of the month.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

If you are looking for things to do in Rochester or want to post your upcoming community event, visit the Chamber website at www.rochesternh.org and go to the Community Calendar. This is a community service your Chamber provides to promote information about upcoming events in the area. Be sure to post your events for 2010 now!

TOUR IRELAND WITH THE CHAMBER



Departs:
October 12, 2010
Returns:
October 21, 2010

10 DAY FANTASTIC TOUR INCLUDING: AIRFARE, TRANSFERS, TOUR, 13 MEALS

VISIT:

Dublin, Kilkenney, Waterford, Blarney Stone, Killarney, Ring of Kerry, Limerick, Cliffs of Moher, Galway, Tullamore, Kingscourt

After participating in a Chamber fam tour with Collette Vacations to Spain and Portugal last month to learn about the tours and what is provided, I cannot say enough about the wonderful tour they provide, the fantastic accommodations and restaurants, and the knowledgeable tour guides who provide valuable information on the places that are visited.

Laura Ring

Plan to attend a Presentation on this Fantastic Trip to Ireland on Tuesday, April 13th at 5:30pm in the Chamber Conference Room

CHAMBER SCHOLARSHIP

Your Chamber is currently accepting applications for the chamber scholarship awarded each year. Chamber member employees or their children who are graduating high school seniors are eligible for the \$500 scholarship awarded by the Chamber provided that the parent or student is employed by a member company for a minimum of six months. It does not matter where the student attends high school.

This scholarship will be paid directly to the attending institution in the student's second year at a full-time college, university or technical school. See the scholarship application and guidelines enclosed.

MEMBER NEWS

Children's Museum of New Hampshire will hold its Footbridge 5K Road Race & Children's Fun Run on Saturday, May 1, 2010. The 5K race begins at 9am and the Children's Fun Run will begin at 10:30am. Register at the museum, call (603) 742-2002, or online at www.childrens-museum.org.

Deborah Ellis & Assoc of NE LLC is the new name of the former Ellis and Mr. Ed Real Estate office. A family-owned and operated business, they can be reached at 603-332-1010.

Federal Savings Bank has named Leni Redden at the Bank's Employee of the Year at its annual employee meeting held February 10, 2010. The Bank also welcomed Tim Dargan to the position of VP, Commercial Lending Officer.

Holy Rosary Credit Union recently recognized Dorothea (Dorrie) Wortley as Employee of the Quarter for the months of October, November and December 2009.

Jenny~Wren Gallery and Studio 109 held a raffle for anyone donating 5 or more books to Rochester Reads in March with prizes from both businesses and also the 103 Restaurant. Rochester Reads is a grassroots literacy group that has distributed 15,000 books within the city over the last 7 years!

Rochester Main Street has a new weekly online newsletter with information on downtown happenings and upcoming events! Email Mike at director@rochestermainstreet.org or call 330-3208 to receive the weekly update in your inbox.

Service Credit Union announced the appointment of longtime Portsmouth attorney Patrick Harrigan as Vice President of Regulatory Compliance and Legal Counsel.

NH Small Business Development Center announced that Susan Wescott Browning has joined the organization as a Program Assistant. Also, there are several business programs and seminars available in the upcoming months. Visit their website at www.nhsbdc.org to learn more or to register.

Studley's Flower Gardens has announced that David Meulenbroek recently passed the Lawncare Certification Exam of the Professional Landcare Network, demonstrating a foundation for understanding lawn and grounds management for cool season lawns grown in the U.S.

The Monarch School of New England has been invited to present how they work with students with significant disabilities and its focus on abilities (vs. disabilities) at the Children's Hospital Boston - the Division of Developmental Medicine, which provides developmental evaluation and treatment for a wide range of developmental, behavioral and learning difficulties.

Wentworth-Douglass Hospital & Health Foundation is taking registrations for the following workshops and community education series: Economy and Markets, Life Insurance Options...Call 603-740-2804 for more information and to register.

**THE CHAMBER LINKS
Networking Group**

Meets the 4th Tuesday of each month ~ (11:30am-1pm)

Hosted by:

Granite Steak & Grill

Make business connections in a casual and facilitated setting

Bring or order lunch

See the enclosed flyer or visit www.rochesternh.org

MEMBER RENEWALS

The Board of Directors and Staff wish to thank the members listed for renewing their Chamber investments.



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WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

The Board of Directors and staff welcome new members!



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**2010 GOLF TOURNAMENT &
CLAMBAKE**



The 36th annual Chamber Golf Tournament, underwritten by **Waste Management** will be held on **Tuesday, June 8, 2010** with a new start time of **9:00am** at the Rochester Country Club.

The \$130 player registration fee for the tournament includes greens fees, cart, complimentary hot dogs, clambake dinner catered by Foster's Downeast Clambake, water, soda, prizes, and goody bags. A passport package is sold separately for \$30 that includes 15 raffle tickets for chances at several prizes, string shot, and entrance fee for the Vegas Hole and Putting Contest. Top team prize awarded to both men and women's teams.

See the enclosed flyers on several sponsorship opportunities available for your business to be noticed at this tournament and to register for the event.

This is a popular and enjoyable tournament, so sign up quickly!

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**CHAMBER CALENDAR
APRIL 2010**

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CALENDARS**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
				1	2	3	<u>May 13</u> Small Business Expo & Business After Hours
4	5	6	7	8	9	10 Annual Dinner Dance & Awards Banquet	<u>May 20</u> Rochester Country Club Business After Hours
11	12	13 Tri-Chambers State of the State breakfast 7:30am	14	15	16	17	<u>May 21</u> Workforce Training breakfast forum
18	19	20	21	22 Government Affairs 7:30am	23	24	<u>June 3</u> Art Esprit & artstream Business After Hours
25	26	27 Chamber Links 11:30am Frisbie Memorial Hospital BAH 5:30pm	28	29	30 Board of Directors 7:30am		<u>June 8</u> Golf Tournament
SEE THE	ENCLOSED	FLYERS	TO	REGISTER	FOR	EVENTS	<u>June 17</u> Children's Museum Tri-Chambers Business After Hours



Rochester City Manager John Scruton and Economic Development Manager Karen Pollard make State of the City presentation at Chamber breakfast forum last month