



BOSTON BRUINS LEGEND, TERRY O'REILLY TO ATTEND SMALL BUSINESS EXPO—MAY 14

Be sure to sign up to attend at this year's Small Business Expo & Taste of the Chamber. Underwritten by **Holy Rosary Credit Union**, this exciting event will be held on **Thursday, May 14, 2009 from 5 pm to 7:30 pm** at the American Legion Post 7, 94 Eastern Avenue, in Rochester, NH. Chamber member small businesses will be exhibiting at this popular event in order to develop new business contacts and to showcase their products and services in a professional trade show format. Sponsors and exhibitors of this event are listed on the Chamber website at www.rochesternh.org.

Chamber member restaurants and caterers will be offering **A Taste of the Chamber** at this event by showcasing a sampling of their products. Those signed up to date include the American Legion Post 7, Rochester Elks Lodge, New England Center, Lori C's Signature Salads and MLC Catering. A cash bar is available throughout the event.

This year's event will feature **Boston Bruins legend, Terry O'Reilly**, who will be at the event to sign autographs, courtesy of KG Sports & More.

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. The passport provides attendees a layout of the exhibitors being showcased at the event.

If you haven't done so already, see the enclosed exhibitor form to sign up to showcase your business at this event.



35TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Chamber is accepting registrations for golfers for the 35th Annual Golf Tournament. The tournament, underwritten by **Waste Management**, will be held on **Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at 10 am at the Rochester Country Club**. This event fills up quickly, so submit your player registration form.

This year's event format will be a Scramble format and will include a Vegas Hole sponsored by **Eastern Propane and Oil**, and a \$5000.00 Putting Contest sponsored by **Melissa Lesniak of Keller Williams Coastal Realty**.

The \$130.00 tournament fee includes green fees, golf cart, hors d'oeuvres, hot dog lunch compliments of Arthur's Market and Urban Tree Service, dinner, soda courtesy of Seacoast Coca Cola, golf related goody bag. For an additional \$30.00, players can purchase the golf "passport" that includes 15 raffle tickets, 2 mulligans and entry pass for the Vegas Hole and Putting contests. Prizes are awarded on every hole. Total player prizes exceed \$1,500.00.

Following the tournament, participants will be treated to a clambake dinner, catered by Foster's Downeast Clambake, awards ceremony, a live auction and raffle.

The golf committee continues to seek golf cart sponsors, hole sponsors, raffle prize sponsors, and team sponsors. For more information about the benefits of sponsorships or if you have questions about the golf tournament, call Laura at 332-5080.



LONDON AND PARIS ANYONE?

Your Chamber is working with Colette Vacations and Four Seasons Travel to offer members and the public an 8 day, 6 night tour of London, England and Paris, France. The tour begins in London with its colorful history, regal pageantry, beautiful gardens and museums. Enjoy one of London's spectacular theatre performances, Buckingham Palace, Big Ben, and St. Paul's Cathedral. Then cross the English Channel aboard the amazing high speed Eurostar Train that connects the two cities. In Paris, visit Notre Dame, cruise the River Seine, cabaret performance at Paradis Latin, and enjoy dinner at the Eiffel Tower delighting in French cuisine and breathtaking views of Paris. All of the best sights are included and plenty of free time to discover these two beloved cities on your own.

This trip departs **November 5 and returns November 12, 2009**. Per person rates are \$2,999 double, \$3,949 single which includes air, hotel, transfers, 10 meals, tour, etc. Sign up by **June 5, 2009 and receive a \$100 discount**. This fantastic trip is available to anyone, not just members. An informational presentation on this fantastic trip will take place on **Tuesday, May 12, 5:30-7pm** in Suite 208, on the 2nd floor of the Citizens Bank building located at 1 North Main Street in Rochester.

BUSINESS AFTER HOURS UPDATE

On **Thursday, May 28, 2009**, join **Studley Flower Gardens** as they host the Chamber's May Business After Hours at their facility located at 82 Wakefield Street in Rochester from 5:30-7:00pm. See the enclosed flyer to register to attend, call 332-5080 or visit www.rochesternh.org

Please see the upcoming events list on the back page for business after hours events scheduled in June, July & August.

**NH LABOR LAW BREAKFAST FORUM ON
MAY 22, 2009. SEE PAGE 3 AND THE ENCLOSED
FLYER TO ATTEND.**



Update



TAKE ADVANTAGE OF MEMBER BENEFITS!

AMBASSADOR'S CORNER

CHECK THE BACK OF YOUR NEWSLETTER!!!!

By Gibson Hearn, Tri-City Christian Academy

Happy Spring! Have you noticed that as the flowers begin to bloom so does your list of things you must get done and places you have to be? It becomes impossible to keep track of all these things in your head. How many times have you missed a Business After Hours or other Chamber event because you forgot to put it on your calendar. And, you later realize...darn! I really had wanted to be there. The Greater Rochester Chamber of Commerce newsletter "Update" has a calendar that features the monthly events as well as several months of upcoming events. So right now, while you are thinking about it, get your personal calendar out, take a look at the Chamber calendar on the back, pick your events, and enter them in your personal calendar now. Have you done it? Great! Now, you can finish reading the newsletter. See you at the next event!!!

CHAMBER REWARDS

Looking for ways to help your Chamber? Do you know of businesses that could benefit from Chamber membership? If so, we want to make you aware of how you can benefit from signing up a new member.

Members who recruit a new member receive a gift certificate from the Chamber that can be redeemed at a number of participating member businesses or toward Chamber functions. The value of the gift certificates you earn depends on the new membership investment. The minimum gift certificate for signing up a new member is \$10. Help us grow the Chamber and earn some rewards.

THE CHAMBER LINKS NOW AT THE GRANITE STEAK & GRILL

The Chamber Links networking group meets on the 4th Tuesday of each month. This valuable networking meeting is now hosted by the Granite Steak & Grill. Chamber Links is a fantastic opportunity to make business connections with business professionals in a casual and facilitated setting.

This month's Chamber Links will be held on **Tuesday, May 26 (11:30am-1pm)** at the Granite Steak & Grill. See the enclosed flyer for information.



\$5.00 per card to obtain great savings at many Chamber members. See the enclosed list or visit www.rochesternh.org to see where you can save!

"UPDATE" NEWSLETTER INSERTS

Get the attention your business deserves by placing a promotional flyer in the Chamber newsletter.

Insert Requirements: 700 copies using 8 1/2x11, 20-25# paper. Must be provided to Chamber office no later than the 19th of the month. Cost per issue: \$125.00. To reserve your insert space in the Chamber newsletter, call 332-5080 or email events@rochesternh.org.

CHAMBER RAFFLE OFFERS 8 PRIZES & BENEFITS MEMBERS



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Eight (8) fantastic prizes are being offered in this year's Chamber Raffle. One \$10,000 grand prize, two \$250 prizes and five \$100 prizes will be raffled for five consecutive weeks (one per week), prior to the grand prize drawing. Those drawn during these 5 weekly drawings will remain eligible for the grand prize drawing. Winnings can be spent at participating member businesses or turned into cash. Only 600 tickets will be sold at \$50 each.

To be a "participating" member in this fantastic promotional opportunity, the fee is only \$50. For this fee, your business can receive months of promotion in the Chamber newsletter and website plus the opportunity for your business to be among the destinations chosen by the winners. However, this promotional fee is discounted to \$25 if you purchase a \$50 raffle ticket. So for \$75 you can receive promotion and receive a ticket. Take advantage of this great promotional opportunity by completing and returning the informational flyer enclosed.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

The Board of Directors and staff welcome their newest members!

Plumbing Contractors

Dutcher Mechanical

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MEMBER NEWS

Avis Goodwin Community Health Center announced that Dentist Lisa Slaughter has joined the staff and is now practicing general dentistry at AGCHC's Rochester site located at 22 South Main Street. For more information, call 516-2548 or visit www.avisgoodwinchc.org.

Children's Museum of New Hampshire's Footbridge 5K Road Race & Children's Fun Run will be held on Saturday, May 2 at 9 a.m. Registration fee is \$20 in advance and \$25 on the day of the race. Entry forms available at www.childrens-museum.org or call 742-2002.

MetroCast has announced that its Digital Phone service hit the 10,000 subscriber mark as of February 2009.

May is National Electrical Safety Month and **Mr. Electric** is available to do a 12 Point Home Safety Check Up. For more information, please call 516-0555 or visit www.mrelectric.com.

Goodwin's Office Furniture and Supplies was selected as a winner and honored recently at the New Hampshire Business Review's 2009 'Best of Business' Award based on a statewide readership survey in the "Best Local Office Products - Office Supplier Retailer" category.

Granite State Choral Society presents *Inspirations: Haydn & Lincoln* Saturday, May 16 at 7:30pm at First United Methodist Church in Rochester, and Sunday, May 17 at 3:00pm at Wakefield Opera House in Sanbornville. For info., call 207-457-1576.

Hanson Street Grill, located at 19 Hanson Street in Rochester, is open for Lunch Tue-Sat 12-3 and Dinner 5-9pm.

Newport Computer Services, Inc was one of four businesses recently recognized by The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (DES) and Governor Lynch as achieving Green Leader status as part of DES's Environmental Leadership Initiative.

Relay For Life of Rochester, a program of the **American Cancer Society** will be selling purple bows for \$5 each for businesses to display in their windows and to raise funds for its signature event June 19-20. To purchase a bow, call Dolores Booth at 332-8252.

Profile Bank announces the 7th annual Ronald G. Pierog Memorial Golf Outing being held on Tuesday, July 28, 2009 at the Rochester Country Club. Proceeds benefit the Ronald G. Pierog Memorial Scholarship Fund, the Homeless Center for Strafford County and the Unaccompanied Youth Program at Spaulding High School. Call 332-2610, x123 for more info.

Public Service of New Hampshire (PSNH) recently made a \$10,000 contribution to the **Children's Museum of New Hampshire** in support of its newly expanded location in Dover. The museum moved to Dover last summer and has already welcomed more than 79,000 visitors.

MEMBER RENEWALS

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

City of Rochester	Robert W. Gates Master Carpenter
Cochecho Valley Humane Society	Rochester Crimeline
Country Brook Apartments	Rochester Professional
Crown Point Campground	Firefighters Local 1451
Granite State Glass	Route 11 RV & Marine, LLC
Jenny~ Wren Gallery	Shanley Auctioneers, LLC
KFC	Shanley Realtors, LLC
Liberty Mutual Group	Somersworth Festival Assoc.
Lilac City Parks & Sales	Strafford Rivers Conservancy
MLC Catering, LLC	The Governor's Inn
Oaks Golf Links	Thomas Moon, DDS



MEMBER NEWS (continued)

Rochester District VNA's Spring Fundraiser will be held Sat, May 2nd at the Rochester American Legion in Rochester. Tickets \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. Doors open at 7pm. For more information call 332-1133 ext 109 or visit www.YourVNA.org.

Rochester District VNA announced the appointment of Natalie Wensley to their Board of Directors.

Rochester Opera House will present ArtFest Showcase 2009 on May 8, 2009. The best of New Hampshire's performing artists come together on one stage for one action-packed evening of spectacular entertainment for the whole family including hip-hop, African drumming, Broadway hits, Reggae Band Revelation, Rochester Arts dance, live visual arts production and more. Call 332-1992.

NH LABOR LAW REVIEW BREAKFAST

Join the Chamber for a **NH Labor Law Review and Update**. Cynthia Flynn from the NH Department of Labor will present the top 10 labor law violations and find out how to avoid them. Sponsored by **ASAP Security Professionals**, this breakfast program will be held on Friday, May 22, 2009 from 7:30 to 9:00am at the American Legion Post 7 located at 94 Eastern Avenue in Rochester. Cost to attend is \$15 for members. See the enclosed flyer to register or visit www.rochesternh.org.

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**CHAMBER CALENDAR
MAY 2009**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 8am Golf Comm.	2
3	4	5 8:30am Public Relations Comm.	6	7	8	9
10	11	12 London/Paris Trip presentation	13	14 Small Business Expo	15	16
17	18	19 8am Golf Comm.	20	21	22 7:30-9am Labor Law Review breakfast	23
24	25 Memorial Day	26 Chamber Links 11:30am-1pm Granite Steak & Grill	27	28 5:30-7pm Studley Flower Gardens BAH	29 7:30am Board of Directors	30
31	Office Closed					
SEE THE	ENCLOSED	FLYERS	TO	REGISTER	FOR	EVENTS

- UPCOMING
EVENTS**
- June 2**
Golf Tournament
- June 17**
Batchelder Sales
Business After Hours
- June 30**
Great Bay Gallery
Tri-Chambers BAH
- July 9**
Amity Publications,
MLC Catering &
Emmanuel Church
Business After Hours
- August 18**
MetroCast BAH &
Chamber Raffle
- September 10**
Anchorage Inn BAH
- September 30**
ServiceMaster
Tri-Chambers BAH
- October 22**
Seacoast Schmooze
- December 6**
Holiday Parade



Left, Business Leader of the Year, Howie Seckendorf and family. Right, Citizen of the Year, Gerry Gilbert celebrates with family at Chamber Annual Banquet on April 4.

