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# HAMPTON AREA TIDINGS



April/May 2008 ☀ Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce Monthly Newsletter

## 2008 Summer Kick Off Party



To be held aboard *Lady Audrey*  
Eastman's Docks in Seabrook, NH  
**June 12, 2008 - 1:30 to 6:00 pm**

Whale Watch includes:  
Delightful lunch provided by  
O'Brien's General Store Deli  
Lots of yummy treats provided by  
Hostess Cupcakes  
A variety of soft drinks provided by  
Coca Cola  
Cool tunes & excitement with a live DJ  
Raffle prizes, and LOTS OF FUN!  
Cash bar with beer and wine  
\$40.00 per person

**SPACE IS LIMITED - ORDER TODAY!**

*Sponsorships are Available  
See separate insert in this newsletter*

*Ticket Order Form included in this newsletter*

The Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce announces  
limited advertising space available in the official

### **2008 Hampton Beach Calendar of Events**

This is the time of year that the chamber is busily preparing the official Calendar of Events for the Summer season. This is the most sought after publication with 30,000 copies distributed throughout the Summer not only at the chamber's beach office, but also at motels, hotels, rental cottages and restaurants throughout the beach. This 48 page, completely four color publication is the definitive guide listing all the entertainment on the Seashell Stage, fireworks schedule, Sand Castle competition, Children's Festival, Miss Hampton Beach, Hampton Beach Idol competition, Seafood festival and all other events that Hampton Beach offers. Designed in an easy to read style complete with a map of advertisers' locations to guide tourists, the Calendar of Events has become a keepsake souvenir.

Previous years advertisers will be pleased to know that ad rates for 2008 have not increased and copies of last years ads have been mailed directly to them. Please note that the deadline for advertising copy is May 16th. For more information or to reserve your space call Bob Houle at 603-502-1556 or email him at renh37@yahoo.com.



Actual Book size 8 1/4" X 10 3/4"

**Remember! Space availability is limited and on a first come, first serve basis!**

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## MEMBER NEWS

**Favorite Foods** is proud to announce that the 25,000 square foot expansion of their existing facility is underway. The official ground breaking ceremony took place in February. Favorite Foods is NH's only broadline food service distributor, started 20 years ago by brothers Jeff and Chris Barstow. Still family owned and operated, Favorite has grown to be a \$30 million dollar/year supplier of food, paper, and chemicals to NH and ME independent restaurants. The 25,000 square foot expansion is expected to be completed in July of this year. Favorite Foods moved to its current location in Somersworth eight years ago. For more information, contact Julie Cole, Director of Marketing at Favorite Foods, at 603-692-4990 ext. 124 or [jcole@favoritefoods.com](mailto:jcole@favoritefoods.com).

**Favorite Foods** has announced that Chris Barstow, co-founder and CFO of Favorite Foods, has been named President of the company. The announcement was made to employees in a meeting February 27. Chris Barstow joined Favorite Foods just a few short months after the company was created and has served in several key roles over the past 20 years. He succeeds Jeff Barstow, pro forma President and founder of the company. For more information, contact Julie Cole, Director of Marketing at Favorite Foods, at 603-692-4990 ext. 124 or [jcole@favoritefoods.com](mailto:jcole@favoritefoods.com).

More than 120 people attended the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Auction to benefit **New Generation Shelter** and its educational programs. Auction planners want to thank all the sponsors of the event and businesses who contributed to raise over \$22,000. Tributes were made to David Duggan, Outstanding Volunteer of the Year, and Toni Trotzer, Executive Director of New Generation. Presenting sponsors included: ProWash Car Wash & Detail Centers, Exeter Hospital, Berry Fund Charitable Foundation. Table and Gold Sponsors were: Paul & Jennifer Neveu, Mrs. Beverly Barney, Together in His Name Christian Store, The Graceffa Family matched by Amgen Corporation, Secondwind Water Systems, and Wheelabrator Technologies Inc. Silver sponsors were: Donna & Terry O'Brien, Charles G. Peckham, Professional Planning Services of NH, Waste Management, Datarisk, LLC, and Window World. Donors were: Marion Badger, Dick & Donna Desrosiers, Mr. & Mrs. Green Adair, Maureen Edison, Mary McDermott, Thomas & Janis Mellow, Mark Klausner, Robert Fassio, Gracie & Rita Gingras, Maria & Jorge Carreno, Frances McLeer, Mary Lonergan, Jacqueline Mahoney, and Elizabeth McInerney. Auction volunteers who worked hard to make the event successful include: Vimi Trozin, Diane Demers, Patty Flaherty, Samantha Andrews, Allison Belisle, Ashley and Connor Bailey, Nancy Griswold, Joanne Moore, and Angel Chiamarida.

Assiah Russell, proprietor of Puttin' On the Glitz in Portsmouth, has worked with non-profits to benefit women's health and AIDS prevention for 20 years. She now wants the community to help by cleaning out their jewelry boxes. Located at 150 State Street, Puttin' On the Glitz is holding a Recycle and Save Event to benefit **New Generation Shelter** of Greenland. From Sunday April 27 to Sunday May 4, bring in up to five pieces of your old jewelry and receive 10% off a new piece of jewelry, or recycle on Sunday and get an additional 10% off. Puttin' On the Glitz carries more than 30 lines of fine fashion jewels from around the world, including; Sorrelli, Colleen Toland, and Presh. Hours are: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday 11:00 am-6:00 pm, Friday 11:00 am-8:00 pm, and Sunday Noon-5:00pm. Closed Tuesdays. Call 603-436-5600, or visit [www.puttinontheglitznh.com](http://www.puttinontheglitznh.com). The shop will donate all gently-used jewelry to New Generation, Inc. where they will be resold at Second Generation Thrift Shoppes.

Founded in 1987, New Generation, Inc. is a shelter for homeless pregnant and parenting women that houses up to seven women and

## CHAMBER CONNECTION

### *A Daytime Networking Event*

**Wednesday, June 4, 11:30 to 12:30**

**Featured Speaker: TONY SILVA**  
**Vantage Development**

Hampton Area Chamber members and their guests are invited to join us for this straightforward networking opportunity at the Chamber office, One Lafayette Road, Hampton, on the first Wednesday of most months from 11:30 to 12:30. Attendees will meet other professionals to make contacts and expand visibility for their businesses. There will be time for a short infomercial about your business, a featured speaker will present a topic of interest, and the rest is all about networking.

Contact Katie Curran at (603) 926-8718, ext. 104 or e-mail [katie@hamptonchamber.com](mailto:katie@hamptonchamber.com) to reserve a spot. Space is limited to the first 25 reservations received. **Reservations are required.** An e-mail confirmation will be sent to each month's attendees.

### **Chamber Connection Gets Results!**

It has been a year since Chamber Connection was introduced to Hampton Area Chamber members. This casual daytime networking event held at the Chamber office was started to fill a void for those members who could not make it to Business After Hours or who preferred to network in a smaller setting. Since its inception, Chamber Connection has grown in popularity and attendance, and has attracted a varied range of participants, members and guests alike.

Non-members are now welcomed, space permitting, for a few meetings, to allow them to become familiar with the Chamber, with the expectation that they will join. Chamber Connection has in fact resulted in new members for the Chamber, as expected.

One of the most valuable benefits of attending Chamber Connection is obviously the "connection" part, where businesses learn about the other Chamber members and find common ground to conduct business. We have heard of lucrative results for some of our members who met other business people at Chamber Connection and formed working relationships.

So join the Hampton Area Chamber for a Chamber Connection meeting, held on the first Wednesday of every month. Bring your business cards and promotional materials to share. Attendance is by reservation only, and is limited to 25 Chamber members and guests. Call Katie Curran at 603-926-8718 ext. 104 or e-mail [katie@hamptonchamber.com](mailto:katie@hamptonchamber.com) to secure a spot.

their children at a time, providing counseling, parenting education, nutrition and life skills, transportation to partnering Continuum of Care agencies, and aftercare. Other services: *Second Generation Thrift Shoppes* (now in Greenland and Rochester), *Generation Gap Furniture Bar,n* and *Next Generation Infant & Toddler Center*. For further info, stop by at 568 Portsmouth Avenue, Greenland, call 603-436-4989, or visit website at [www.newgennh.com](http://www.newgennh.com).

## WELCOME NEW MEMBER

The premier outdoor entertainment attraction for the entire family, **New England Dragway** features everything from thundering top fuel dragsters, fire breathing jet powered funny cars, and a place to see what your car can really do. There is always something for the entire family. For more information, visit [www.newenglanddragway.com](http://www.newenglanddragway.com).



## Old Salt Eating & Drinking Place Repeats as "Top Chef" at Toast to the Coast Event

Congratulations to the Old Salt Eating & Drinking Place for taking top honors again in 2008 with their Roast Tenderloin with Lobster Crustini. The Top Chef award is given to one of the participating restaurants for their menu offering and for the presentation. Bragging rights belong to the Old Salt again!

## Foss Manufacturing Celebrates New Production Line

Foss Manufacturing in Hampton unveiled its \$1.5 million "J-Line" on April 11, a state-of-the-art needle punch line that will allow Foss, which processes woven fabrics and specialty synthetic fibers, to expand its operations. The program was a moving tribute to the new management and to the employees of Foss who were involved in the restructuring of the company in the past year. Governor John Lynch and other dignitaries were on hand to celebrate the commissioning of the new line and cut the ceremonial ribbon. For more information on Foss Manufacturing, visit [www.fossmfg.com](http://www.fossmfg.com).



## Chamber Celebrates the Opening of Artichokes in Hampton

The Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce celebrated the relocation of Artichokes (The Heart of the Kitchen) with a ribbon cutting on April 18. Owners Lorraine and Bob King are ready to welcome all to the new space. Pictured at the ribbon cutting are (from left): Peter Lukas (Brothers North Restaurant), Bob King (owner of Artichokes), Ted Koungianos (Brothers North Restaurant), and Doc Noel (Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce). Lorraine King (owner of Artichokes) wields the ceremonial scissors in front. In the other photo, Bob and Lorraine King show off some of their colorful new Spring merchandise.



Artichokes recently opened a beautiful and spacious new store at 845 Lafayette Road Unit #4 in Hampton. Billed as a shop for food enthusiasts, they feature top kitchen cookware and kitchen accessories including gourmet food items, glasses and tableware, pottery, and specialty culinary equipment and tools for the home or professional chef. There is an extensive wine cellar with wine for sale and for tasting at one of the many wine tasting and special events. For a schedule of events, visit [www.artichokes-theheart.com](http://www.artichokes-theheart.com). Additional services include unique custom gift baskets, special orders, gift certificates, bridal registry, gift wrapping, shipping, and local delivery. Hours are Monday 9:00 am-5:00 pm, Tuesday-Saturday 9:00 am-7:00 pm, and Sunday 10:00 am-5:00 pm. Call 603-926-2960 for more information.

## Membership Renewals

A&A Services Inc.	LauNic
AllStaff Contract Services Inc.	Robert A. Lucas & Associates
Aquarion Water Company	M&M Beach Rentals
BayRing Communications	Nevio's Pizzeria Seaside Diner
Bean Insurance Agency	Ocean Wok
Black Bear Campground	The Provident Bank
Breakfast Hill Golf Club	PTV Productions
The Deluxe Cimmaron Suites	Real Estate on the Move
Curves	Rye Airfield
Dermisense	Seacoast Growers Association
Donahue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC	Seacoast Scene
Emerald Isle Motel	Sir Speedy Printing Center
Hampton Inn Portsmouth	SPUDS Restaurant & Pub
Hampton Village Resort	Tasty Subs & Pizza
Inn Season Resorts	TD Banknorth Massachusetts
Lamprey Brothers Inc.	Weidema & Lavin, CPAs, PA
	Wine Chiropractic

*Thank you for your continued support and investment!*

***Want to Add Events to the Chamber On-line Calendar?***

***Want to Keep Your Information Current on the Chamber Website?***

These two benefits of membership are available to all Chamber members in good standing. Send an e-mail to [info@hamptonchamber.com](mailto:info@hamptonchamber.com) and put **Member Login** in the Subject line. You will receive a login and a password and instructions on how to get started.



**SEA KETCH and THE PROVIDENT BANK  
to Host HAMPTON AREA CHAMBER at  
"BUSINESS AFTER HOURS"**

**Wednesday, May 21, 2008, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.**

We all look forward to the start of the summer season. And it wouldn't be off to a proper start without the Hampton Area Chamber of Commerce's Business After Hours at the Sea Ketch restaurant on Hampton Beach in May. Sea Ketch owner Vince Raciti and The Provident Bank are preparing to welcome the Chamber and their guests at the popular seaside restaurant on May 21.



[theprovidentbank.com](http://theprovidentbank.com)

The Sea Ketch is proud of the greatly expanded decks and outside seating, with a retractable awning for protection from the weather. This extensive renovation during the off season continues the Sea Ketch's long history of improving Hampton Beach.

Make plans now to join your colleagues and friends on May 21 at the Sea Ketch, 127 Ocean Boulevard in Hampton Beach, for networking and socializing, and kicking off the season in style. Business After Hours is open to Chamber members and those interested in the Seacoast business community. Admission is free, and no reservations are required. Bring business cards for networking. Complimentary food and a cash bar will be available. Call the Hampton Chamber at 603-926-8718 for more information on Business After Hours or visit [www.hamptonchamber.com](http://www.hamptonchamber.com).

The Provident Bank in Seabrook is located at One Provident Way, at the junction of Rtes. 1 & 107. Hours are: Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., and Sunday 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. There is a convenient drive-up ATM.



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**"BUSINESS AFTER HOURS"**

**BREAKFAST HILL GOLF CLUB**

**Wednesday, June 18, 2008, 5:30-7:30 pm**

**CHEZ BOUCHER COOKING SCHOOL**

**Wednesday, July 16, 2008, 5:30-7:30 pm**

*Visit [www.hamptonchamber.com](http://www.hamptonchamber.com) for more information on Chamber events*



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