



Chamber Chatters
News from the members of the
TAMAQUA AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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It's not too late to get your Easter Flowers at the East End Market in Tamaqua

CONGRATULATIONS TO TOM BANDITELLI, 2014 JOSEPH M. PLASKO CITIZENSHIP AWARD WINNER



Join us
Celebrate our community's progress and
honor Tom Banditelli
at the Chamber's
64th ANNUAL TAMAQUA AREA COMMUNITY DINNER – April 23, 2014
Hometown Fire Company, Hometown, Cash Bar 6 to 7 pm, Dinner at 7 pm,
Tickets \$25 each. Reservations (570)668-1880
DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS IS MONDAY, APRIL 21, 2014

2014 TROUT DERBY – The Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce in cooperation with the Schuylkill Trout Stocking Association, **April 19 through June 14, 2014**. Prizes will only be awarded to registered participants. Registration ends April 19, 2014 at noon. Pre-registration forms available at the **Tamaqua Area Chamber of Commerce**, 114 West Broad Street, Tamaqua and **Tom's Auto & Marine**, Greenwood and Mountain Avenue, Tamaqua. \$10 per person. Registration will also be held Saturday, April 19, 7 a.m. to noon across from All American Jeep, Tamaqua. For more information call (570) 668-1880 or (570)668-5066

**TAMAQUA AREA POOL PASS APPLICATIONS ARE
NOW AVAILABLE AT THE
BOROUGH HALL AND TAMAQUA CHAMBER OFFICE**



THIS WEEKEND

HEISLER'S DAIRY BAR - Mini Golf will be opening on Friday April 11 at 4:00. Driving Range and Arcade will open on Saturday April 12. Check out our new website heislersdairy.com for updated hours and summer event schedule.
www.heislersdairy.com

APRIL

“YOU LOOK FABULOUS DARLING”- In honor of Emma’s 12th Birthday come into Emma’s Friends stores in Tamaqua and West Hazleton, tell us at the checkout “You Look Fabulous, Darling” and receive a 12% discount! For more information call (570) 668-6401

TRIVIA NIGHTS – Hangloose Bar & Grille, 300 East Broad Street, Tamaqua, will hold Trivia Night every Thursday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Pub Quiz! 3 rounds of current events, pop culture, music and more! Team size 6 or less. Prizes given! For more information call (570) 225-7008.

LEAGUES NOW FORMING – Seniors, Ladies and Twilight Golf Leagues are now forming at **Mountain Valley Golf Course**. Call the Pro Shop for more information at (570) 467-2242

DIGITAL PHOTO CONTEST – **Hawk Mountain Sanctuary** is now accepting entries for a Digital Photo Contest Easy online entry. Multiple categories! \$10 for up to five entries. Visit <http://www.hawkmountain.org/events/digital-photo-contest/page.aspx?id=4322> or call (610) 756-6961 for more information. **(Flyer Attached)**

DIAKON’S LIVING A HEALTHY LIFE – A free 6 week program for anyone living with chronic health conditions will begin **April 17** at the **Tamaqua Salvation Army**, 12:30 P.M. TO 3 P.M. Dates: **April 17,24, May 8, 15, 22, 29**. To register call (570) 624-3017

NEW 18 HOLE, 2 PERSON SCRAMBLE – Saturday, **April 26**, 1 p.m., **Mountain Valley Golf Course**. \$45 per person includes, cart, greens fee and prizes. Call (570) 467-2242 for more information.

Schuylkill Keep It Pretty (SKIP) will hold a Spring Clean-up on Saturday, **April 26**, 9 a.m. to noon. All groups will meet at the Tamaqua M & T Bank Lot. Garbage bags, gloves and safety vests will be provided.

MAY

SPRING BREAK RIDE – Hangloose, 300 East Broad Street, Tamaqua, will hold a Spring Break Ride on **May 3**, from Tamaqua to Harrisburg, PA. Ride starts at 10 a.m. and concludes at Front & Market Streets, Harrisburg. 3 p.m. Bar Hop, 2nd Street, Harrisburg. \$10 Poker Run. Proceeds benefit Safe Riding. Prizes will be awarded. For more information call Clyde at (717) 2583-4927

NEW LEADERCAST LIVE : BEYOND ME! BE A LEADER WORTH FOLLOWING - **Lehigh Carbon Community College** Center for Leadership & Workforce Development presents a great way to invest in professional development for yourself and your team. May 9, 78:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Best Western Plus Conference Center, Lehigh Valley (At the intersection of Routes 512 & 22). For more information call Maureen Donovan at (570) 668-6880

NEW CHARITY CHALLENGE - **Saturday, May 17**, Owl Creek Reservoir, 5K Run, Walk and One Mile Kid’s Fun Run. Registration now open. All participants pre-registering by May 1 will receive an official full three color race t-shirt! This race will be professionally timed by Pretzel City Sports of Reading, music will be provided by DJ “Party Tyme”. Refreshments will be available at the Owl Creek Concession Stand. Enter your runners or walkers in the event and raise money for a specific charity or non-profit organization. The race event will make a large monetary donation to the first place runner’s choice of charity or non-profit organization, based on the number of participants. Sponsored by **USA Martial Arts & Fitness**, Tamaqua. For more information call Jon Bonner at (570) 778-6970

TAMAQUA HUNGER WALK – The Tamaqua Faith Fellowship, an affiliate of the Tamaqua Area Community Partnership is sponsoring a “Hunger Weekend”, **May 17 and 18** with a rain date of May 24 and 25. to help provide food for families living in the boundaries of the Tamaqua Area School District that are in need of a helping hand. Organizations, businesses, church groups and individuals can collect food and funds that will be given to the community food banks at the Salvation Army and Trinity United Church of Christ. Hunger weekend culminates on Sunday, May 18 with a Hunger Walk. Sponsored Walkers will meet at St. Luke’s Parking lot on South Railroad Street. For more information, participation or donations call Paul Dodson at (570) 668-0289

NATIVE PLANT SALE – **Hawk Mountain Sanctuary**, 1700 Hawk Mountain Road, Kempton, PA will hold a Native Plant Sale on Saturday and Sunday, **May 17-18**. Wide selection of native flowers, vines, shrubs, trees, ferns and grasses. Free info & demos by Master Gardeners. On Saturday, **May 17** Doug Tallamy will do two exclusive talks – Planting a Better Bird Feeder and Bringing Nature Home. Saturday, **May 3**, 4 p.m., join Miles Arnott and learn more about the biology of Native Wildflowers. On Saturday, **May 31**, 2 p.m. join Jim Ethridge for a native Plant Propagation workshop. For more information contact (610) 756-6961.

THE STRAWBERRY PLAYHOUSE
60 Church Street, Tuscarora, PA 17982 (570) 325-4368
<http://www.strawberryplayhouse.com>

The Strawberry Playhouse presents the following shows for 2014

Remember When – May 17, 7:30 p.m., May 18, 2 p.m.

Murder at Ford Theatre – June 6, 7, 13, 14 at 7:30 p.m., June 8, 15, at 2 p.m.

Little Women – Auditions, Tuesday May 20 and Wednesday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Children's Theatre Workshop – Beginning Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m. to noon and continuing for 12 weeks. Acting, Movement, Scene Study. Limited space available, Ages 7 to 12 years.

SPRING SPECIALS/EVENTS

KINDNESS CAMPAIGN – The McNealis Agency, Allstate Insurance invites the community to spread kindness in 2014. The Agency has launched a Kindness Campaign with the help of The Kindness Revolution, founded by consumer advocate, Ed Horrell in 2008. The Agency is looking to spread kindness through the Hazleton and Tamaqua areas. Leave a comment on our Facebook Page such as "I want one", and we will hold a "Pay-It-Forward" Kindness Revolution wristband for those commenting, as well as co-workers. The idea is to wear it until one receives or observes an act of kindness and then pay it forward. Help us spread kindness in the Hazleton-Tamaqua area! Visit our Facebook Page or call our agency at (570) 454-1981 or (570) 668-5133.

OLDER & BOLDER SPRING 2014 PROGRAMS – The Tamaqua Salvation Army's Older & Bolder (flyer attached). Exerette Gentle Exercise, Healthy Living Program, Senior Getaway at Camp Ladore, Diakon programs and more! For more information call Dina at (570) 668-0410.

PRE-SEASON SPECIALS – TIME TO GET YOUR BIKE READY FOR THE ROAD – Dn'A Bikes, 115 West Broad Street, \$30 Bike Tune Up or a Spring Clean-up (includes removal of all major parts, frame cleaned, lubed, all parts cleaned, cable and housing Replacement and full tune-up) \$130. Mention this ad and get an extra \$5 off! 2013 BMX Bikes are now 5% to 10% discounted. Follow us on Facebook and Twitter! (570) 668-5140 www.dnabikeshop.com

REVOLUTION FITNESS STUDIO WANTS YOU TO MAKE THE CHANGE – Try Piloxing, Rev Flex or Butts & Gutts. **Revolution Fitness Studio**, East Broad Street, 125 East Broad Street, Tamaqua, is committed to empowering individuals by providing high-quality fitness instruction which revolutionizes their body, mind, and soul and equips them to make positive lifestyle changes." Visit www.revfitatamaqua.com for a full list of class schedules. (570) 668-6700

CANCER TREATMENT CENTER AT HAZLETON – Cancer Treatment Center at Hazleton offers patients throughout the region the most technologically advanced radiation therapies from their newly updated location. This facility provides treatment using an advanced technology that enables physicians to treat tumors with greater accuracy in a painless, noninvasive outpatient procedure. Explore the website to learn more about expert cancer care www.cancertreatmentcenterhazleton.com

CLUB NEWS

TAMAQUA ROTARY CLUB Tamaqua Rotary Club meets weekly on Wednesday's at 8 a.m. at The Tamaqua Salvation Army, 105 West Broad Street, Tamaqua (570) 668-2775. New members are always welcome!

Business Meetings – May 14, June 4

Programs – April 23, 30, May 21, 28

Sticky Bun & Shoofly Pie Delivery – May 7

VONZ RESTAURANT
18 North Railroad Street, Tamaqua, PA 18252 (570) 668-6439
www.vonzrestaurant.com

Happy Hour Specials – Every Tuesday – Friday 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. \$1 off Appetizers, \$1 off all pint size draft beers (16 oz.), Pinot Noir \$5/glass, Chardonnay \$5/glass

LENTEN SPECIALS – Daily Lenten fish specials will be available now through April 19

ATTENTION 2014 Chamber Members

If you have information you want us to distribute here, it must be received by the office no later than Thursday, at 5 pm to be included in our weekly email newsletter.

Only current Chamber member's information will be distributed here and on our website and Social Media outlets.

Want more information on those opportunities? Membership forms and information always available online at www.tamaqua.net or call us at (570)668-1880

Tamaqua Community Arts Center

125 Pine Street
Tamaqua PA 18252
(570) 668-1192

www.tamaquaarts.org

www.facebook.com/TamaquaCAC

Ongoing events & classes

To Register for all classes @ (570)668-1192

Paint ~N~ Sip: A hands on painting class with a twist. No painting experience necessary, fully instructed by Phillip Krivenko of Art & Vino. Bring a bottle of your favorite wine & a friend or 2. Just relax & have a great night out.

Paint ~N~ Laughs: Similar to Paint ~N~ Sip but geared for kids

Pottery, Clay & Ceramics Classes: \$10/person/session. Instructor Craig Bulgar-(570)-926-6370 or email cb3947@yahoo.com. Class times & private instruction are available by appointment. Birthday and Private Parties are also available.

Kids Varied Arts & Crafts: Preschool to 5th grade. 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month from 6:00-7:00PM \$2.00 donation. Instructor Kathleen Quinn Farber. No registration needed.

YOGA: Essentials for the beginner. Mondays 6:00-7:30 PM & Thursdays 8:30-10:00AM. \$10/session-walk in or \$45/5classes. Instructor Amy O'Brien (267) 772-1184 or email amy.obee@gmail.com

FREE Fit Club: "Beachbody" Workouts with Krista Kemmerer Pratt (570) 778-8514 & Stacy Smulligan (570) 640-0843. Saturdays 8:00-9:00AM No registration needed.

League of Literaries "L.O.L."-Youth Writers group meet to discuss and inspire each other in writing their own stories. Tuesdays 6:00-7:30PM FREE to any grades 6-12 looking for inspiration with writing. No registration needed.

Music Lessons: Lessons - ALL By appointment only.

Guitar- Instructor LeRoy Musselman (570) 818-4024. All ages-all levels. \$20/40 min lesson.

Harmonica ("Blues Harp" or "Cross Harp" style) ages 8 & up and

Stage Performance & Voice Lessons- Instructor Jack Kulp (570) 778-0624 or e-mail kulpable@ptd.net. \$20/40 min lesson

Open Mic: Every 4th Thursday of the month 6:30-9:00PM. Open to all ages & all talents.. \$3.00 donation at the door. REFORMATTING for next month now available. For a copy of this form with all information go to www.tamaquaarts.org (click on event on calendar)

Jam Sessions: Every 2nd Thursday of the month 6:30-9:00PM. Designed for the experienced performer looking to meet new musicians or just have fun on the grand stage with new friends. \$3:00 donation at the door. No registration needed.

Theater Events by
The Tamaqua Community Theater
Director Zane Bachert- tamaquaareacommunitytheater@gmail.com

Performances: Arsenic & Old Lace (Comedy/Drama-2 Spinster Women, kindness, charity & murder)– **May 2nd** @ 7:00pm **May 3rd** 2:00 & 7:00pm

Tickets \$8 Adults, \$6 Seniors (65 & older) & under 12yrs of age

**Contains adult content & language*

Prince & Princess Cabaret – **May 10th** 7:00pm

You're a Good Man Charlie Brown Musical – **June 27th** 7:00pm & **28th** 2:00, 7:00pm

NEW! Auditions “You’re a Good Man Charlie Brown” April 25th from 6-8PM & April 26th from 2-5PM. Ages 10 & up (boys & girls). Must sing 2 lines of a favorite song & read a 2 minute dialogue (we will provide). More info., questions pertaining to this performance email Zane @ tamaquaareacommunitytheater@gmail.com or call/text 570-590-7621

Future Performance: Murder Mystery Diner Theater: Coming in October!. Performance Dates **October 24th & 25th** 7:00PM with a special Motorcycle Ride Matinee- Saturday October 25th (more info. To follow) Auditions to be announced.

NEW! Future Performance “The Groom Has Cold Feet” An old Western Murder Mystery.

Auditions ages 12-20 (parental accompaniment required if under 16) July 14,15 & 16 @ 6:00PM (need only attend 1 date). **Performances** August 22 & 23 @ 7:30PM, August 24 @ 2:00PM.

Questions pertaining to this production call or text 570-249-4364 or 570-449-5809.

Summer Camp: Youth Theater Camp – **July 21st-25th**

The Tamaqua Community Theater-Zane Bachert- Director, is seeking local **writers** for a short play festival (**deadline for submission April 30th**) & **vocalists** (**deadline end of April for May10th Cabaret**). For more information contact Zane @ tamaquaareacommunitytheater@gmail.com

Special Events

NEW! Concert-“JUSTUS” -The band that played during the evening of the March Chamber Mixer at TCAC. All members are seasoned musicians covering Classic Rock songs of the 60-contemporary. **June 7th 2014** 7:00-9:00 pm. Reservations/Tickets are available in advance for \$10 (\$15 @ door) via TCAC office 570-668-1192

Writing Boot Camp: Sponsored by the Black Diamond Writers Network. Featuring Kathryn W. Craft-author & editor: Presenting “Word Dancing” and “I Wrote It-Now What?” **Saturday April 26th** 8:00AM-3:00PM. (See attached doc for registration form) Early Bird (postmarked 3/31/14) \$45, Students/Seniors \$45, Late Registration \$50 (postmarked after 3/31/14)

Song Writing Workshop: Includes Marketing & Protecting your copyrights. Instructor Mike Stanley (song writer, musician & producer) of Royal Jam Studio in Lehighton PA, with special guest Gloria Domina (Grammy winning producer 2012) This is a 4 Day workshop- **May 6th, 13th, 20th, & 27th** from 7:00-9:00PM. Ages 17 & up unless accompanied by an adult. \$100/participant-seating is limited. Register via TCAC office by calling (570) 668-1192.

Monthly Colored Pencil Classes (June through November 2014): 1 Friday/Month (dates-**6/20, 7/18, 8/8, 9/19, 10/17 & 11/21**) Instructor Amy Mogish (570) 668-6323 Or email amy4keepsake@hotmail.com. \$20/Class plus 1 time supply purchase. Call to register TCAC office @ (570) 668-1192

Learn to Draw: Colored Pencil Class with Sharon Miller Readinger – 6 wks – From **April 30th –June 4th** 6:30pm-8:30pm \$60 Call to register TCAC office @ (570) 668-1192

Kid's Paint ~N~ Laughs: **June 21st, July 19th & Aug. 2nd**. Instructor Jamie Petro. \$25 includes all materials. More info. TBA Call to register TCAC office @ (570) 668-1192

Soap Making Workshop: Learn the essentials of making your own soap & have a blast doing it! Saturday, **May 10, 2014** from 1:00-3:30. Option 1-Hands-on class \$65/person includes a kit with most supplies and full instruction-Option 2- Instruction alone-no supplies, demo & instruction only \$25. Option 3- \$85/ couple includes a kit with most supplies to share with 1 partner and full instruction. Instructor Rose M Beck (570) 778-0917 or email hairdoc68@gmail.com. Deadline to register for the hands-on class is April 28th 2014. Register via TCAC office by calling (570) 668-1192

Announcements

Performing Arts Hall-Now Open! Our newly renovated performing arts hall, complete with air conditioning, is ready for the public to enjoy. With theater seating for 66 and 13 pub style tables it's sure to please. We are NOW booking shows & concerts. Stay tuned!

Hosting an Event/Class: We have rental space available for your events. Call Leona for more info. @ TCAC office (570) 668-1192

Piano & Percussion Instructors wanted: We would love to expand our music lessons to additional instruments. Interested parties contact Leona @ TCAC office (570) 668-1192

Volunteers: The Tamaqua Community Arts Center is always welcoming of new volunteers. We have a very creative, friendly & non-threatening group of people who just love the arts. All ages & personalities welcome. If you'd like to get involved, we have something to fit your appeal. Join us now by calling (570) 668-1192.

**New Events & Announcements Are Posted Daily on Facebook
Direct Marketing Coming Soon!**