

Calendar of Events

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JANUARY ★ 2006



Mid-Day Meet Networking

Connect and Network
at the Mid-Day Meet

11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 20

TWO INTERNATIONAL GROUP
[1 NEW HAMPSHIRE AVE., 3RD FLOOR
PEASE INT'L TRADEPORT]

Mark your calendar to attend the first Mid-day Meet of the new year. The conversation is facilitated by volunteers to make it easy and fun to learn about other participants and those with whom they do business. Attendees will also get a chance to share their business stories and who they'd like to do business with. There's also a "lightning round" where almost anything goes. The networking forum usually draws more than 30 people, so come early to get a seat. Those interested should contact Kendra Frangos to RSVP at (603) 610-5514 or kfrangos@portsmouthchamber.org. ★



Business After Hours at Flatbread Pizza

Join Us for a Warm, Cozy
Winter's Evening at a Homey
All Natural Downtown Favorite

5:30-7:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 26

FLATBREAD PIZZA
[138 CONGRESS ST., PORTSMOUTH, NH]

Join us Jan. 26 for a laid back night out at Flatbread Pizza in downtown Portsmouth. What better way to shake off a little winter chill than to cozy up to their wood-fired clay oven and enjoy some fare from their au naturel menu.

Established in 1998 in Amesbury, Massachusetts, the company prides itself in providing unmatched hospitality and the purist pizza experience anywhere—using only spring water, organic flour,

kosher salt and real cake yeast to make pizza dough. They also refuse to use canned tomatoes choosing instead to make their own sauce from organic tomatoes in a wooden cauldron right in the dining room.

And their "purist" philosophy doesn't end there. Here are just a few of their goals as a company: use only the highest quality ingredients free of pesticides or chemicals, use only local foods and support community farms, create a company where advancement is based on performance not politics, give back to the community with benefit nights and sponsorships and create a restaurant where children, adults and employees can renew their spirit.

Cost is \$5 and a business card for members and \$15 and a business card for nonmembers. ★



Legislative Reception

5-7 p.m., Monday, Jan. 30

**SHERATON HARBORSIDE
PORTSMOUTH HOTEL**
[250 MARKET ST., PORTSMOUTH]

The Chamber's Government Affairs Committee invites members to this year's legislative reception set for 5-7 p.m., Jan. 30 at the Sheraton Harborside Portsmouth Hotel. The free event is underwritten by Public Service of New Hampshire and Comcast.

During the reception attendees will have a chance to meet with local, state and federal representatives, government officials and Chamber executives from across the region. "This is a great opportunity for our members to meet face to face with those people who

work on issues that sometimes have a great impact on their businesses," said Dick Ingram, Chamber president.

The GAC is currently focussing on 13 pieces of legislation that involve issues of concern to the membership," said Ingram. Some of those bills address workforce housing needs, business tax incentives that encourage carpooling, appropriating funds to support the Seacoast Shipyard Association and creating healthcare purchasing alliances that would allow organizations like the Chamber to offer group healthcare for members.

Those interested in attending may RSVP by contacting the Chamber at (603) 610-5513 or info@portsmouthchamber.org. ★



technology roundtable

eBrew

Join the Crew Driving the Seacoast
High-Tech Revolution at this
Monthly Networking Event

5-7 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 2

THE PRESS ROOM
[77 DANIEL ST., PORTSMOUTH, NH]

Join us for the monthly eBrew at The Press Room on Daniel St. in Portsmouth. The event is open to the employees and guests of all local high-tech businesses and the local business community. There are always opportunities for eBrew sponsorships and special programs during the evening. To find out more, please contact Ginny Griffith, the Chamber's business development manager, at (603) 610-5514 or ggriffith@portsmouthchamber.org. For more on the monthly eBrew and Roundtable activities, surf over to the official web site at www.ecoast.org. ★

Bank of America

Small Business Challenges Breakfast Forum

Join Us to Talk with Local Small Business
Owners and the Director of NH SBDC

7:30 -9 a.m., Wednesday, Feb. 15

FRANK JONES CENTER
[ROUTE 1 BYPASS, PORTSMOUTH, NH]

Join us to learn how local small business owners have overcome the challenges of starting and expanding their businesses at February's Bank of America Speaker Series Breakfast Forum.

Guests for the special panel discussion include Moderator Mary Collins, director of the New Hampshire Small Business Development Center; Jeanine Sylvester, owner of Runner's Alley in downtown Portsmouth; Bill Hurley, owner of Infinite Imaging (formerly Portsmouth Copy & Blueprint, LifeSize Graphics and York Copy & Blueprint); Zac Gregg, owner of International Office Suites; and Ed Hayes, owner of Ricci Lumber.

Cost of the breakfast is \$12 for Chamber members and \$15 for nonmembers. Those interested in attending may RSVP by contacting the Chamber at (603) 610-5513 or info@portsmouthchamber.org. ★

Bank of America

Breakfast Forum with NH Public Radio President

5:30-7:30 p.m., Wednesday, March 15

FRANK JONES CENTER
[ROUTE 1 BYPASS, PORTSMOUTH, NH]

Make plans to attend the March breakfast forum featuring New Hampshire Public Radio President and General Manager Betsy Gardella. She is expected to talk about the organization's role in today's media, its recent \$300,000 broadcast signal enhancement program for Portsmouth and Nashua and . The forum is a part of the Bank of America Speaker Series. For more on coming events, visit www.portsmouthchamber.org.

Cost of the breakfast is \$12 for Chamber members and \$15 for nonmembers. ★

WHAT'S AHEAD

[JANUARY]

20th

Mid Day Meet
Two International Drive
Pease Int'l Tradeport

26th

Business After Hours at
Flatbread Pizza

30th

Legislative Reception
Sheraton Harborside
Portsmouth Hotel

[FEBRUARY]

2nd

eBrew
The Press Room

15th

Small Business Challenges
Breakfast Forum
Frank Jones Center

17th

Mid Day Meet
Two International Drive
Pease Int'l Tradeport

22nd

Member Orientation
Portsmouth Chamber
Conference Room

[MARCH]

2nd

eBrew
The Press Room

15th

Breakfast Forum with
NHPR President

REGISTRATION FORM

Breakfast Forum

Members
[\$12]
Non-members
[\$15]
Reservations Required

Business After Hours

Members
[\$5 AND A BUSINESS CARD]
Non-members
[\$15]

Name _____

Business _____

Phone _____

Attendees _____

Event _____

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