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CHAMBER NEWS



Taunton Area Chamber of Commerce members enjoy last year's holiday gathering.

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Chamber to host holiday gathering

Join us at the Chamber's Annual Holiday Gathering on Thursday, December 4, from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. This event is hosted by Benjamin's Restaurant, located at 698 Bay Street in Taunton. A minimum donation of \$10 per person will help support local children's organizations. Network with the business community while donating to a worthy cause. As always, there will be complimentary appetizers and a cash bar. This event is always well attended, with over 100 guests. Please register by calling the Chamber office at 508-824-4068 or emailing info@tauntonareachamber.org.

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Support Taunton's Lights On Festival

The City of Taunton's 101st Lighting of the Green & Lights on Festival is Saturday, December 6 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. in downtown Taunton. Your support of this local holiday tradition is greatly appreciated! Sponsorship and advertising opportunities are available. Donations are also being accepted and are tax-deductible. For more information or

for a Sponsorship/Advertising Form, contact the Chamber office at 508-824-4068 or email info@tauntonareachamber.org. A special thank you to this year's confirmed sponsors: B&D Construction Co., Inc. The Lopes Companies Bristol County Savings Bank Santander BankFive Taunton Federal Credit Union



SAVE THE DATE

Annual Roast
WHEN: Wednesday, November 5, 2014 (new date)
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
COST: \$50/person
WHERE: Benjamin's Restaurant (Membership Drive has been postponed.)

COMMUNITY NEWS

Master chef to offer entertaining tips

NEW BEDFORD — With the holiday season fast approaching, don't miss the opportunity to learn stress-free entertaining tips at the Rotch Jones Duff House & Garden Museum with a special hors d'oeuvres demonstration and sampling on Wednesday, Nov. 5 at 6 p.m. Master Chef George Karousos will share recipes and demonstrate techniques guaranteed to please your guests. Sample his delicious offerings and take home recipes.

Seating is limited and reservations are required at 508-997-1401 or www.rjdmuseum.org; Members admission is \$30; \$35 for non-members.

Astronomy open house set for Oct. 11

REHOBOTH — A field full of astronomical telescopes of many sizes awaits the public along with speakers, activities for kids, and an evening of lovely "Rehoboth Skies" at the Astronomical Society of Southern New England's Annual Open House at the Carpenter Museum in Rehoboth, off of Route 118, at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 11.

This yearly free family event will be held rain or shine (for the indoor events; astronomy viewing will not be held under cloudy or rainy skies) and will feature indoor talks, beginning at 6 p.m. with special guest speaker, professor Alan Hirschfeld, who will introduce his latest book: "Starlight Detectives: How Astronomers, Inventors, and Eccentrics Discovered the Modern Universe."

Middleboro church to host fall festival

MIDDLEBORO — First Baptist Church, 111 Plymouth Street, Route 18, will be hosting its eighth annual Fall Festival on the church grounds this Saturday, Oct. 11, from 11 a.m. to

2 p.m. The event features several games, pumpkin painting, craft stations for kids, loads of free food, music and much more. This year the Massachusetts State Police Middleboro Barracks will bring along their antique police car to add to the festivities. In the event of rain, the festival will be moved to the following week, Oct. 18. For more information, contact 508-947-5382 or visit www.fbcnm.org.

Free computer literacy course starts Oct. 16

BROCKTON — Brockton Day Nursery and Catholic Charities South have partnered to offer a free Computer Literacy Program at Catholic Charities South located at 169 Court St. The five week program will begin on Thursday, Oct. 16, from 6 to 9 p.m. and will cover basic computer functions including Microsoft word, excel, and use of the internet for research.

Interested parties should call 508-588-2700. Applications are still being accepted. There are 12 spots available for the course. Applicants must be willing to make the full five-week commitment to complete the program.

For more information contact Brittanie Hansbury at Brockton Day Nursery by emailing bhansbury@brocktondaynursery.org or by calling 508-588-2700 Ext. 29.

BCC to host Astronomy Day on Oct. 22

FALL RIVER — The Bristol Community College Astronomy Club is hosting its second annual Astronomy Day on Wednesday, Oct. 22, from 2 to 6 p.m., in the Commonwealth College Center Cafeteria (G-Building) at the BCC Fall River Campus, 777 Elsbree St. Admission is free and open to public.

The engaging event features actor Mike Francis from the Star Science Theatre portraying Galileo in two Starry

Messenger presentations from 2:10 to 3:10 p.m., and from 4:45 to 5:45 p.m.

Kelly Beatty, of Sky & Telescope Magazine, will provide a special presentation at the event from 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. Beatty is an astronomy faculty member at the Clay Center Observatory in Brookline, Massachusetts.

Guests can also visit a variety of astronomy exhibits and fun games with great prizes.

For more information, email bccastroclub@gmail.com.

Raynham Lions Club plans dinner, concert

RAYNHAM — The Raynham Lions Club will be holding a dinner/dance/concert on Saturday, Nov. 1. A family style roast beef dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. followed by an evening of music provided by Ron Lewis and the Expedition. The event's proceeds will benefit the Raynham Public Library. Tickets can be secured at the Raynham Public Library and at the Raynham Lions Club, 2234 King Philip St. Tickets are \$20. There will also be a cash bar and a 50/50 raffle. Any questions should be directed to Frank Gendreau or Dick Almeda at 508-823-0559.

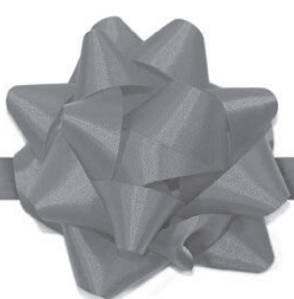
Learn about ballot question Oct. 20

BERKLEY — The Berkley CPA Ballot Question Committee will host a public informational meeting on the Town of Berkley's local ballot Question 5 at 7 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 20, at the Berkley Middle School Cafeteria, 21 North Main Street.

Question 5 is on the Nov. 4, ballot and asks the Town of Berkley to accept the Community Preservation Act, a law that establishes dedicated funding sources for open space and recreation, historic resources and community housing.

Light refreshments will be available.


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