

Monthly Newsletter

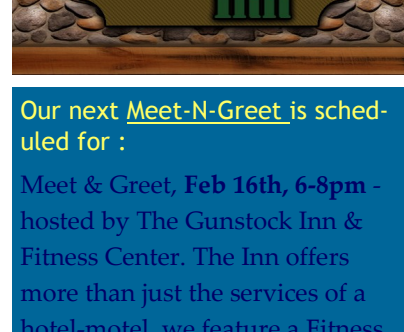
Notes from the Board

Woohh...

Boy are we tired! Your illustrious board has been hard at work for the past month and a half meeting every week to strategize the 2010 year.

We have reviewed the year 2009, what we did right, what we were weak in....and came up with a solid plan for 2010. We have an exciting wish list of things we wish to accomplish this year, that we will be informing our membership about with a mailing later this month. We hope each and everyone of you is able to become involved at some point with the many activities and projects we have planned. The best contribution is input from you!

We thank you for 2009 and look forward to finding new and exciting ways to promote your business within the community!



Our next **Meet-N-Greet** is scheduled for :

Meet & Greet, Feb 16th, 6-8pm - hosted by The Gunstock Inn & Fitness Center. The Inn offers more than just the services of a hotel-motel, we feature a Fitness Center complete with an Olympic-size indoor, heated and chemical free swimming pool, a function room for your Wedding Reception or other social occasion, a hair salon and restaurant on site.

Events Coming UP....

Below we have developed a calendar of events for the 2010 year...if you have interest in hosting, sponsoring, participating, or wish to help....please let us know!

February 16th—Meet-n-Greet Gunstock Inn and Fitness—come see what

March 16th—Business Meeting Guest Speaker is Mayor Mike Seymour on working with local business to establish stronger relations with the city.

June 6th—BIBA MMXpo 1st ever BIBA member only Business-to-Business expo, to be held at Pheasant Ridge Country Club, 10-3. Open to the public for Free. A great way to showcase your business among the membership and the local community. More details to follow!

July 5th—9th—AMIBA's celebrate Independence Week. As we honor national heritage and liberty—we also celebrate our local independent businesses who have given back to the community.

August ?? - Meet-n-Greet

If anyone is interested in hosting—please contact Diane to be added to the calendar.

Sept 21st—Major Speaker We are in the process of looking for a speaker to be hosted at Laconia High School auditorium. If anyone has and interest in hearing someone specific—let us know! We have a few leads via AMIBA but would be more than happy to work with members on this.

October—Petal Pushers Farm 12th Annual Fall Festival—events and vendor booths available—geared to family and children.

November—America Unchained Promotion Our annual (national) campaign highlighting the vital economic impact our local independent business have on the community.

Reminder—Next Board meeting is March 2nd, 2009—Union Diner, 5:45pm. If any member has something for the board—please feel free to let any one of us know!! Members can attend!!!

New survey results demonstrate effectiveness of Buy Indie / Buy Local campaigns

A new survey of over 1800 independent businesses in the US and Canada by the Institute for Local Self-Reliance indicates those in communities with active "buy local" campaigns fared far better than other businesses. [See press release](#)

Always check us out online for members, upcoming events—meeting dates, etc!! www.bibanh.org

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