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Connecting business and community

Keene Young Professionals Network Trendsetters Event

March 15, 5:30 - 7:30 PM

Keene Country Club Keynote speaker: Carl Sonderberg, Co-founder of Abel Ebenezer Brewery, Merrimack, NH

Staged by The Keene Sentinel's Business Journal of Greater Keene, Brattleboro and Peterborough and KYPN (a Greater Keene Chamber of Commerce program), the 5th annual Trendsetters event honors the achievements of young professionals, under age 40, who are making significant contributions to their places of work and communities.

Winners and attendees will be greeted by fire and ice, according to local event planning company Machina Arts. Abel Ebenezer Brewery beers will be featured along with other refreshments. Attendees will have the opportunity to bid on silent auction items.

"We have an exciting evening planned to honor the Trendsetters," says Rebecca Hamilton, one of the owners of Machina. "Expect a lively evening with plenty of cool and plenty of sparks."

Visit www.sentinelsource.com/trendsetter/ to purchase tickets. Cost is \$30 in advance and \$35 at the door. A portion of proceeds will go to KYPN.

Don't miss the Annual Monadnock International Film Festival!



April 19-21, 2018 Colonial Theatre, Downtown Keene Putnam Theatre, Keene State College Peterborough Community Theatre

Screen some of the best independent films representing documentary and narrative features and shorts, produced by regional, national and international filmmakers. In addition to film screenings, there will be Q&A discussions and panels with filmmakers and cast members plus networking parties with entertainment. For sneak peeks of the film program and the opportunity to buy discounted passes, be sure to attend a public launch party at Keene's Courtyard Marriott Hotel on March 29th from 5:30-7pm, or at Peterborough Community Theatre on April 3rd from 5:30-7pm. See page 8 for more information.

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Member Spotlight



Menadena was founded in 2006 by Ben Robertson in Keene, NH and is dedicated to empowering business owners through website design, search engine optimization, and marketing strategy. Robertson began designing websites for himself in 2014 and soon got hired by local companies who liked his work. Now Menadena serves clients from Cape Cod to Hawaii with 5-star ratings on Facebook, Google My Business, LinkedIn, Yelp, and the Better Business Bureau of New Hampshire. Their passion for business strategy and storytelling helps business owners share their stories and grow their companies.

The company's motivation comes from their love of good storytelling. Good stories improve decisions and build trust. The world needs good stories and Menadena provides clients the opportunity to tell their story and create a unique online presence that helps them get found on the web.

Menadena services include:

Website design

Menadena is a Shopify Partner and Squarespace Developer, and builds websites on the Shopify and Squarespace platforms. Working with these great companies allows then to provide beautiful, easy-to-manage websites with 24/7/365 customer support at a reasonable cost.

Marketing Consulting

They are a trusted partner for companies that want to take control of their marketing and will help you identify your best customers, communicate what you do, and develop a strategy for success.

Search Engine Optimization

Menadena's search engine optimization services help your business get found on the web. They will help you identify the best keywords for your business and develop a strategy. Monthly reports show you what is working so you can achieve the results you want over time.

Menadena, located in The Hannah Grimes Center, is open Monday through Friday, 9am-4pm.

Menadena LLC 25 Roxbury Street, Suite 208 Keene, NH 03431 603-499-4590 www.menadena.com

March Business BEFORE Hours

Cheshire Medical Center Occupational & Environmental Medicine Offices

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 7:30-9:00 AM

448 West Street, Keene (in the Kohl's Plaza, next to Walgreens)

Start your day by enjoying a light breakfast and networking with Chamber members at this morning event!

Call 603-352-1303 or email nbishop@keenechamber.com to register.

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Thank You Renewing Members!

The following members renewed their GKCC membership in December 2017 and January 2018:

1911 Office, LLC Brady Sullivan Keene Properties, LLC CASA of NH Cheshire Children's Museum Cheshire Wellness Center Costello, Valente & Gentry, PC Craig F. McBeth, DMD Cynthia A. Knipe, RDN, LD Dublin School Greater Monadnock SHRM Hannah Grimes Marketplace & Center Hinsdale High School Katie Sutherland Architect Law Offices of Wyatt & Associates Machina Arts Mint Premium Car Wash Monadnock Buy Local Monadnock Sustainability Network Northeast Delta Dental Park Theatre, The Sodexo Dining Services at KSC Sullivan Tire and Automotive Service Wells Fargo Advisors, Brattleboro Yankee Publishing Inc.

GKCC Business After Hours

March Business AFTER Hours

Stonewall Farm

242 Chesterfield Road, Keene NH Wednesday, March 21, 2018 5:30 – 7:00 PM (\$5 Donation at the Door) land here . grow roots . cultivate community

STONEWALL Gefarme

Stonewall Farm is looking forward to hosting Business After Hours on March 21st! Come and learn about exciting new developments at the farm, including plans that will significantly impact future events and the organization's educational mission. Enjoy light bites by CC&D's Kitchen and enter a raffle to win a one-hour hayride.

On the day of the event, please come to the Learning Center, which is located on the opposite side of the road from the barns and farmhouse. (If the lot there fills up, please note that there is additional parking at the dairy barn.) There is a coat rack just inside the main doors. Shed your layers and then head up to the second floor where we look forward to greeting you!

Be sure to bring your business card to be entered into the raffle!

April Business AFTER Hours

Edward Jones Walpole

Held at Bellows Walpole Inn 297 Main Street, Walpole, NH Wednesday, April18, 2018 5:30 – 7:00 PM (\$5 Donation at the Door)

Edward Jones[®] Making sense of investing

The Greater Keene Chamber of Commerce invites you to join us for our April Business After Hours, hosted by the Edward Jones Walpole office, and held at the historic Bellows Walpole Inn. Join us for networking, meet the staff of Edward Jones Walpole, and enjoy great refreshments.

Be sure to bring your business card to be entered into a raffle!

Please RSVP to the GKCC:

- Online at keenechamber.com
- Call (603) 352-1303
- Email info@keenechamber.com



networking • door prizes • great refreshments • meet new people •
build business connections • catch up with old friends • hosted by a member business

Member News

The regional

accounting firm of **Nathan Wechsler**

& Company, PA

announced that

Oreste "Rusty"

Treasurer of

Mosca, CPA, was

recently re-elected

Associated Build-

ers and Contractors

of New Hampshire/

Nathan Wechsler &

and currently serves

as the firm's Manag-

ing Director. Wayne

B. Geher, CPA, CFE,

firm principal, has

been elected board

president of the

New Hampshire

Chapter of the

Association of

Certified Fraud

Examiners (ACFE).

The firm also an-

Company in 1987

Vermont (ABC).

Mosca joined



Oreste "Rusty" Mosca, CPA



Wayne Geher, CPA, CFE



Ashley Guion, CPA

nounced the addition of Ashley L. Guion, CPA to their professional team. Guion joins the firm as a senior and will provide accounting, compliance, financial statement preparation, and income tax return preparation for a variety of clients. www.nathanwechsler.com

In addition to the Community Supported Solar array on their roof, a recent LED lighting retrofit, and use of "Polar Power" to pump cold outside air into their coolers, **Monadnock Food Co-op** has also signed a contract with Constellation New Energy to source their additional electricity from renewable sources for the 2018 calendar year, and beyond. The Co-op's agreement with Constellation New Energy allows the Co-op to buy Renewable Energy Credits (RECs) from wind power for 100% of their estimated electricity usage beyond that produced by the rooftop solar array. For every unit of renewable electricity generated through wind energy technology, an equivalent number of RECs is produced. The purchase of RECs supports renewable wind electricity generation and reduces conventional electricity generation in the region.

Last month, shoppers at the Monadnock Food Co-op collectively donated \$7,249.91 to the Community Kitchen of Keene. The Monadnock Food Co-op collected these donations during their month-long "Round It Up" donation drive in December. Customers rounded up their purchases to donate their change to the Community Kitchen, some giving an extra \$5 or \$10 to help their neighbors in need. www.monadnockfood.coop

Electronic Imaging Materials has added a UV digital inkjet hybrid press to their production process. EIM has previously operated two UV inkjet presses, however this will be the first hybrid press incorporating inline die-cutting. The incorporation of the mPrint- mLabel press into their production process will be a major driver in achieving sustained growth in the industrial/manufacturing and laboratory barcode label markets. The German-made press, the mLabel, is manufactured by one of EIM's long standing suppliers, mprint.

Investing in the mPrint's cutting edge technology will play a vital role in helping EIM evolve to meet growing customer demands. The mPrint's use of CMYK digital ink will expand current color capabilities, allowing EIM to offer a wider range of color printing options. Incremental LED curing will also result in higher resolution images. www.barcode-labels.com

This spring, **Monadnock Buy Local** will officially launch Placemaker, an online local rewards platform that empowers independent businesses to band together to build customer loyalty. Placemaker tracks purchases made at locally owned businesses and offers gifts and discounts to users who spend their dollars at participating locally owned businesses.

All locally owned businesses are encouraged to check out this short introductory video "What's Placemaker?" at https://monadnock.placemaker.co/ getonboard/

Monadnock Buy Local is a regional network of citizens, businesses and organizations that promotes the positive economic and community benefits of spending dollars locally, while supporting programs and policies that forward a local, green and fair economy. <u>monadnocklocal.org</u>

Douglas Cuddle Toys and the Monachock Racio Group/KNE-FM along with Savings Bank of Walpole (SBW) helped raise \$25,672.40 during the Good Friends campaign that benefitted the Salvation Army of Keene. The annual campaign is held each year and takes place during the holidays.



SBW is pleased to recognize employees for their ongoing commitment to their community, careers and for their dedication to pursuing ongoing educational opportunities outside of work. Michelle Howard, Branch Manager and Officer, Stephanie Huestis, VP/ Commercial Loan Officer and Dawn Martin, AVP/Loan Compliance and Operations Officer attended the NH Banker's Women in Banking conference held in October in Portsmouth. The purpose of the annual conference is to recognize and celebrate the success of women in business and support career enhancement and growth.

Member News

Steve Bianco, VP, Senior Lender for the Bank, recently joined the Cedarcrest Advisory Council which links Cedarcrest Center with professional and social communities across New Hampshire and beyond. As a council member Bianco will help provide external perspective as well as advocacy and support for the organization's mission, strategic direction and programs.

Three of the Bank's employees; **Kevin Beauregard** of SBW Wealth Management, **Kayla Dooley**, Loan Operations and **Nathan Rounds**, Finance all participated in this year's Monadnock United Way's Day of Caring, donating their time by picking up shovels and rakes to volunteer at Keene Housing Authority.

SBW employee Laura Mayer, IT, Operations Director, recently used some of her "volunteer time off" to augment her existing knowledge as an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT). Mayer, who currently volunteers with Grafton Rescue in Grafton, VT attended Wilderness Medicine training, a hands-on class that teaches EMTs how to identify and treat hypothermia and hypothermia resuscitation. www.walpolebank.com

Great Eastern Radio has announced that another great season of Red Sox Nation will kick off in April on 93.5FM WEEI, the sports station for the Monadnock region. Business partnerships are available for as little as \$125 per week, with complimentary game tickets, promotional opportunities and more! Call **Scott Antonivich** at (603) 995-1948 or email santonivich@ greateasternradio.com for details.

People's United Community Foundation, the philanthropic arms of **People's United Bank** awarded \$172,965 to 23 New Hampshire non-profit organizations in 2017. Funding was distributed statewide in alignment with the Foundations' focus areas including: youth development, community and economic development, and affordable housing. For a detailed list of all New Hampshire, and footprint-wide recipients, visit <u>www.pucf.org</u>.



Denise Poulin, MD



Amy Neal, PA-C



Health Department, Amy Neal, PA-C to the Emergency Department and Linda Groiss, PA-C to the Podiatry Department. Dr. Poulin holds a Doctor of Medicine from the University of Vermont in Burlington, Vermont and completed her residency at Albany Medical Center in Albany, New York. Prior to joining **Cheshire Medical** Center, she was an Attending Physician in Obstetrics and Gynecology at St. Joseph Hospital in Nashua, New

Cheshire Medical

Center announced

additions to staff:

to the Women's

Denise Poulin, MD

the following

Linda Groiss, PA-C

Hampshire. Neal was a Physician Assistant at Convenient MD in Keene and Groiss worked in Cheshire's Orthopaedic Department for 23 years.

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Cheshire Medical Center recently presented the annual Second Quarter President's Service Excellence and Leadership Awards to five outstanding staff members.

The President's Service Excellence Award was given to Katie Flood, Physical Therapist, Physical Therapy; Liz Lajoie, RN, Case Manager, Case Management; Denise Roentsch, Receptionist, Family Medicine – Walpole; and Timothy Sickles, Environmental Services Tech II, Environmental Services. Hilary Brown, RN, Clinical Leader, Cardiology and Lisa Kopcha, RN, Clinical Leader, Kingsbury Unit are this quarter's recipients of the Leadership Award. Cheshire Medical Center was awarded a \$900,000 grant from the U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Office of Rural Health Policy to address prescription drug abuse by creating a Controlled Substance Management Network. A Controlled Substance Management Network will tie together primary care physicians with other health organizations, such as mental health providers, and addiction treatment centers, with the goal of eliminating a frustrating communications gap among healthcare providers that hampers the response to the opioid crisis. www.cheshire-med.org

On behalf of **EyeWorks**, the independent optical shop located at 474 West Street, Keene, owner **Dr. Barton Higley** recently presented a \$1,400 check to **Michael Davis**, Eyeglasses Program Manager of Keene Lions Foundation, Inc. EyeWorks made a donation for each pair of glasses sold during its December 2017, 12-Daysof-Giving promotion.



Keene Lions Club, and other Lions clubs in the region, screened 2,614 children and referred 235 for follow-up with eye doctors during the fall of 2017. Working with eye doctors in the area, Keene Lions provided financial assistance to families that resulted in 47 people (adults and children) obtaining eye glasses last year.

www.eyeworks.com www.keenelions.com

Member **News**

Green Energy Options recently earned B CorpTM certification, making it the seventh Certified B Corporation® in New Hampshire. Using business as a force for goodTM, Certified B Corps create higher quality jobs, improve the quality of life in their communities, address challenging environmental problems, and inspire others to measure what matters most.



Over 200,000 businesses globally use the B Impact Assessment to assess, compare and improve their impact. www.greenenergyoptions.com

Service Credit Union announced the appointment of Wendy Bryant-Beswick to Vice President of Marketing. A



seasoned executive with more than 20 years of marketing management experience, Beswick will oversee the planning and execution of Service Credit

Union's marketing initiatives including positioning, brand oversight, acquisition, communications, public relations, and business development.

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In its continuing efforts to enhance member experience and provide innovative banking tools, Service Credit Union is now providing its members free access to their FICO® Scores. This includes key factors affecting their scores and general information on credit scores.

The scores, which will be updated quarterly, are available through Service Credit Union's secure online banking service and on their monthly statements to members who have \$5 in their primary share account and meet other qualifications.

www.servicecu.org

Cheshire Wellness Center, offering

has hired Kathleen Burke as their new Community Outreach and Practice Manager. This position was created to support the growth of **Cheshire Wellness**



and coordinate wellness outreach programs for the larger community. www.cheshirewellnesscenter.com



Keene Eye Care celebrates its second anniversary under the ownership of Dr. Tracy Roettiger! The Keene Eye Care team is excited to welcome office manager Darcie Caspersen and technician Heather Best. Keene Eye Care has the exceptional service, tremendous understanding and knowledge, and a friendly team of professionals...just what you've come to expect from a team of Keene locals! www.keeneeyecare.com

Save the Date! **43rd Annual GKCC Golf Classic**

June 20, 2018 Keene Country Club

Monadnock Region Energy Forum A Regional Issues Series Event

Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30-6:30 pm

SCORES SPORTS BAR & GRILLE

82 Main Street, Keene (Entrance faces Railroad Street) Monadnock Region Energy Forum: Part of NH Energy Week (March 12-15) Come learn about the Monadnock region's energy inititives from local businesses, municipalities and organizations. Light refreshments will be served.

Sponsored by Filtrine Manufacturing and hosted by the Greater Keene Chamber of Commerce, the Southwest Region Planning Commission, and the NH Clean Tech Council.

Please RSVP by March 7-- e-mail nbishop@keenechamber.com or call (603) 352-1303.

March B2B Brown Bag Lunch





Achieving Work/Life Balance

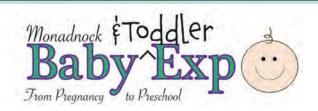
Friday, March 9, 2018

Noon to 1 pm • GKCC Conference Room Cost: \$5 for members, \$15 for not-yet-members

Work-life balance is an important goal worthy of pursuing in today's fast-paced world. Unfortunately few find the balance they seek. In this interactive workshop let Jeff Saari, CEO of Jeff Saari Coaching, show you how to become aware of aspects of balance, make a plan to get more balance and unearth barriers to balance. In this workshop you will:

- Comprehend different aspects of a balanced life
- Identify barriers to a balanced life
- Learn the difference between obligation and freedom
- Find immediate action you can take to achieve more balance

To register call the GKCC at (603) 352-1303 or email Nancy Bishop at nbishop@keenechamber.com. The cost is \$5 for members and \$15 for not-yet-members.

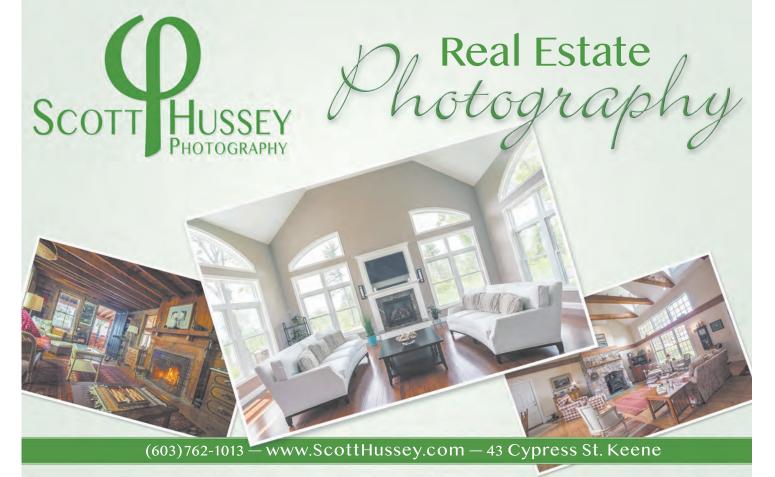


April 15, 2018 · Keene Rec Center

Vendors: Contact Deb at info@cheshirechildrensmuseum.org or call 603-903-1800

Sponsored by Cheshire Children's Museum





Event Spotlight



April 19-21, 2018



Now approaching its 6th festival, the Monadnock International Film Festival (MONIFF) is gearing up for another exciting and expanded slate of films for this year's event.

Showcasing thirty-six documentary and fiction films, both features and shorts, the 2018 festival will take place April 19th through 21st in downtown Keene at the Colonial Theatre and at Keene State College's Putnam Theatre. The "Best of Fest" which screens the Audience Award winning films will return for a second year to Peterborough's Community Theatre on Sunday afternoon, April 22nd.

Once again, the films will represent three different tracks... foreign films, regional films, and social issue films. This year's festival will showcase compelling stories from around the world, including countries such as Spain, France, Libya, Slovakia, Greece, Poland, Guatemala, United Arab Emirates, and Ukraine. A special sidebar will focus on the timely global refugee and migration crisis. Several films dealing with this issue will be screened, followed by Q&A discussions with guest filmmakers and local social activist groups.

The highlight of the film festival is the Jonathan Daniels awards ceremony on Saturday night, sponsored by the Jonathan Daniels Center. In honor of Keene's Civil Rights hero, this annual award is given to a filmmaker whose film combines artistic excellence with awareness of a social justice issue. This year's award will go to the gripping documentary "Sky and Ground", co-produced and co-directed by New York filmmakers **Talya Tibbon** and **Joshua Bennett**. Their film follows the treacherous journey made by three generations of a Syrian-Kurdish family as they escape on foot from a refugee camp through several countries to Germany.



Executive Director **Dianna Costello** states that the festival is a gift to our community and truly a collaborative effort. "It would be impossible to put the festival on without the support of our three major anchors, The Putnam Foundation, C&S Wholesale Grocers, and Keene State College, not to mention all the local banks, businesses, restaurants, and organizations who support us with sponsorships, donations, and ads for our program book." Costello also noted that the majority of money raised for the festival gets pumped right back into the community to pay for theaters, hotels, caterers, advertising, printing and marketing services, among others.

Two Public Launch parties will be held this year to show sneak peeks of the film program and offer the opportunity to buy discounted passes. The first one will take place at Keene's Courtyard Marriott Hotel on March 29th from 5:30-7pm, and the second one at Peterborough Community Theatre on April 3rd from 5:30-7pm.

Individual tickets for a single film can also be purchased at the Colonial box office the day of the film. For films screening at the Putnam Theatre, individual tickets can be purchased at festival headquarters in the Colonial Corner, or on MONIFF's website, moniff.org.

Annual Gala 2018!



Alan Stroshine Citizen of the Year



Keene Sentinel Windsor Brooks Business of the Year



Laura Knoy, NHPR Keynote Speaker



Outlook News March/April 2018

New Members





Dr. Alan Ross has created a unique dental office at Keene Family Dental, where old fashioned one-on-one unrushed personalized care is provided with the most recent technology.

An exceptionally gentle dentist with over 30 years of experience, Dr. Ross will compassionately listen and respond to your needs as a trusted friend. Knowing your options, alternatives and best ways to maintain or fix your teeth or gums is key.

Dr. Ross' mission is to provide the best possible quality at affordable costs, always standing behind his work and earning the confidence and mutual friendship of his patients. You can trust Dr. Ross and Keene Family Dental to handle all aspects of your dental care from simple cleanings to nonsurgical gum treatments, emergencies, TMJ pain, fillings, crowns, bridges, implants extractions, dentures, tooth whitening, veneers, sedation for the anxious or fearful, invisalign, niteguards, 2nd opinions, gag reflex management, sealants and more.

Dr. Ross has received many awards and certifications attesting to his skill, enthusiasm and compassion. These include, Fellowship Award of the Academy of General Dentistry, Past-President National Coalition for School Bus Safely, Volunteer EMT, Paul Harris Fellow – Rotary Club, Certified from the Oral Conscious Sedation Institute, Graduate of the Pankey Dental Continuum, Member of the Spear Dental Study Club, The AO award for the highest CPA in Dental School, Mt. Zion Hospital Anesthesiology certification and more.

Keene Family Dental will welcome you and treat you like family.

Keene Family Dental 67 Mechanic Street, Keene NH (603) 357-6767 www.keenefamilydental.com





Cooper's Crossroad is melting the myth of trauma.

The mission of Cooper's Crossroad is to raise awareness of the profound and insidious effects of trauma by offering seminars, workshops, lectures, and retreats to those interested in becoming educated on its impact and available cutting-edge treatment. They are a nonprofit organization set upon 100 pristine acres of farmland, surrounded by nature's beauty, including horses, cows, dogs, and mountain views.

The programs offered by Cooper's Crossroad are intended for professionals in various fields ranging from mental health, childhood development, pastoral care, community leaders, and beyond. Anyone interested in learning about the effects of trauma and available treatments is encouraged to participate. The goal is to educate individuals so they can take what they learn back to their own communities. Cooper's Crossroad cannot melt the myth of trauma alone. Their program is a jumping off place to touch the lives of many.

Founder Christina Major speaks publicly and openly about her past, using humor and honesty to share the difficult themes of her own journey: eating disorders and over exercise, sexual abuse, grief, addiction, and recovery. She is honored to share her story and inspire others.

Cooper's Crossroad 700 West Street, Keene (603) 852-8029 www.cooperscrossroad.com

Bach Mith Verse



Founded in 2004, Bach With Verse (BWV), a nonprofit organization, brings hope, inspiration and laughter through music and stories to war-torn regions and prison populations around the world.

In fulfillment of this mission, BWV presents live concerts and workshops to children and adults. Performances are crafted with a unique blend of the classical music of J.S. Bach and humorous musical stories in order to be easily accessible to diverse audiences. BWV utilizes the unique talents and performance experience of **Richard "Dobbs" Hartshorne**, a renowned double bass virtuoso, composer and storyteller.

BWV programs have reached prisons, drug rehab centers, youth facilities and schools in the states of New Hampshire, New York, Maine, Vermont, Michigan and California as well as schools, orphanages, refugee camps, rehab and community centers in West Bank Palestine, Afghanistan, Iraq, Bolivia, and Uganda.

New Members

The first annual reConnect Bach Festival, held in Keene, NH on May 5, 2018 will feature reading workshops of the orchestral works of J.S. Bach, a presentation of Dobbs latest comedic musical stories and concluding with the World Premiere showing of the award-winning documentary film, *Back to Bolivia: A Lifetime Later*.

Back To Bolivia: A Lifetime Later follows Dobbs as he returns to Bolivia to perform in six remote villages where he had given concerts in 1969 as a Peace Corp Volunteer. In searching for people who still remember those concerts from 44 years ago, he is also seeking to determine if the performances he does now in remote and war-torn places through Bach With Verse might also have resonance 44 years from today. The faces of the people and the spectacular scenery around Lake Titicaca form the backdrop for this intense story about the power of music.

Bach With Verse 476 Apple Hill Road, Nelson (603) 209-4133 www.bachwithverse.org





The Kiwanis Club of Keene is a thriving organization of service-minded men and women who are dedicated to improving the lives of children in our local community. The club is part of Kiwanis International which has nearly 15,000 clubs in 90 countries.

Kiwanis members are from many different backgrounds and all walks of life, from recent college graduates to retirees. Members are unified in their belief that our local children and our community benefit from the efforts of an actively engaged group of caring and involved volunteers.

"We Build Through Involvement" is the club motto and their focus is on activities that make a positive difference in our community.

Kiwanis community service projects include:

- Kool Wheels Family Fun & Safety Day event — bike safety, healthy eating, and dental health
- Annual Tree Lighting event at Central Square
- Holiday bell ringing for Salvation Army

- Holiday gifts for needy families
- Summer camp scholarships for needy youth
- Caroling at Cedarcrest and local nursing homes
- Working at regional Special Olympics events
- Annual Green Up Keene participation with youth clubs
- Adopt a Highway program to clean up local highways
- Kiwanis game room and Project Imagination at Keene Recreation Center

The Kiwanis Club invites those who may be interested in learning more about the club to join them at an upcoming breakfast meeting. Meetings are held Wednesdays at the Pub Restaurant, Winchester Street in Keene at 7:15 am.

Kiwanis Club of Keene 63 Emerald Street, PMB 451, Keene contact.keenekiwanis@gmail.com www.keenekiwanis.org

New Members



Red Leaf Business Management is an LLC based out of Walpole, NH with ability to work anywhere in the U.S. The firm is led by principals **Shelly Dennis** and **Gary Dennis**, who have blended their skills from various fields to meet the high-level corporate administrative needs of associations, companies and educational organizations locally and from around the country.

Red Leaf was founded in 2012 by Shelly Dennis who used her unique blend of professional management acumen and interpersonal skills to successfully coordinate and implement programs, meetings and conferences. Event planning is Red Leaf's sweet spot, but with the addition of Gary Dennis and his marketing/sales/public relations skills, the firm is growing to include those services along with strategic planning, budget management and vendor negotiation.

Red Leaf is still growing and evolving. The firm is nimble and able to adapt to the changing needs of today's companies. Add the personalized approach Shelly and Gary bring and it's no wonder Red Leaf is successful time and again for its clients.

Red Leaf Business Management 385 March Hill Walpole, NH 03608 (603) 803-1422 gary@redleafbusiness.com shelly@redleafbusiness.com



Copper Cannon Distillery is a newly opened distillery in West Chesterfield, NH that offers three different types of rum that have been perfected over the past two years: a double distilled clear rum, a chip aged rum which is aged with white oak and white ash, and a barrel aged rum. If you enjoy craft spirits, you will certainly enjoy Copper Cannon Distillery.

All of Copper Cannon Distillery's spirits are produced in a rustic barn that was built using repurposed items from a 150-year-old bottling factory that was located on Emerald Street in Keene, NH and the Bardwell farm barn that was located in Swanzey, NH. All products are fermented, distilled and aged in house. Tastings and tours are offered Thursday and Friday from 5 PM to 8 PM and Saturday and Sunday from 11 AM to 7 PM.

Copper Cannon is currently working on more varieties of rum including a spiced rum along with releasing a bourbon and a single malt whiskey in 2018.

If you really enjoy craft spirits or are looking for a unique gift for a friend or family member, Copper Cannon Distillery is a great place to experience the spirit of NH.

Copper Cannon Distillery 2 Lyman Way, West Chesterfield (603) 256-6009 www.coppercannon.com

More New Members!

Ferguson & Alexander, CPA 81 Court Street, Keene (603) 352-6573

Keene Signworx 12 Base Hill Road, Swanzey (603) 358-1003 www.signworx.com

MI-Box of Central NH 405 Laconia Road, Tilton (603) 369-4464 www.getmibox.com/locations/tilton_nh_storage_and_moving Monadnock Capital Group 34 West Street, Keene (603) 338-0515 www.monadnockcapitalgroup.com

T&S Enterprises LLC, dba Tillie's 9 Court Street, Keene (603) 762-0638 www.facebook.com/speakeasy603/ Thanks to True North Networks for hosting our February Business After Hours!





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* Not-Yet-Member Rates are significantly higher. Please call for details.

** Inserts must be 8 ½" x 11", unfolded, and printed on one or both sides. The newsletter is white, so colored paper creates maximum impact. Since the number of inserts is limited each month, we recommend you call or email now and reserve your place.

Email: admin@keenechamber.com or Call: 603-352-1303







Member Events

Visit <u>www.keenechamber.com/events</u> for event details.

Keene Family YMCA

Community Impact Series

Tuesday, March 6, 6:00 pm Keene Family YMCA, 200 Summit Road

Prominent activist and former state senator Molly Kelly will be the keynote speaker at the Keene Family YMCA's advocacy training and awareness event. The event aims to help community members build the skills to advocate for themselves and for issues important to their community. In addition to Kelly, advocacy experts from statewide organizations New Futures Kids Count and the NH Children's Trust will lead a hands-on training session. This will include understanding how to contact legislators, write testimonials, and testify at state House and Senate hearings. The real-life scenarios will be geared toward issues that resonate with people living in the Monadnock Region. Keene State College students will also present at the session. The event is free and open to the public. Registration is required at http://bit.ly/ KeeneAdvocacy.

Monadnock Family Services

Men Who Cook

Saturday, March 17 at 6:00 PM Zorn Dining Commons at Keene State College

Enjoy a delicious feast prepared by the best cooks in the region to benefit America Reads, a Monadnock RSVP Volunteer Center program. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$7 for children 10 and under. Call 283-1568 or email mdelisle@mfs.org for tickets. Tickets can also be purchased at Prime Roast, The Apothecary and at Monadnock Family Services (64 Main Street, 2nd Floor).

Monadnock Food Co-op

Monadnock Region Earth Festival

Saturday, April 21, Noon - 4:00 pm (rain date Sunday, April 22)

The Co-op is now accepting participants to table or offer activities for this free public event that takes place outdoors, along the bike path leading from the Railroad Square Park to the lot next to Monadnock Food Co-op in Keene. This year's event will include a vendor fair, giveaways, and activities. There will be plenty of tasty food on hand at the Co-op's Local Food BBQ as well as live music sponsored by Keene Music Fest in the amphitheater behind the Coop.

Tabling at the event is free. To reserve a spot for your business, organization or non-profit, visit monadnockfood.coop/ earthfestival/ and complete the Google Form by March 12, 2018.

Kiwanis Club of Keene

Kool Wheels Family Fun & Safety Day

Saturday, May 5, 10 am-noon Keene Recreation Center, 312 Washington Street

The Kiwanis Club of Keene will provide free bike helmets for children ages 4 to 12, which will be properly fitted to each child and

given out free of charge while supplies last. Children may bring their bikes to the event for a safety inspection and tune-up and participate in a bike safety course. Other event highlights include face painting, art projects, healthy snacks, and a free raffle for a boy's and girl's bike.

Bach with Verse

reConnect Bach Festival

Saturday, May 5, 1:00 pm Historical Society of Cheshire County, 246 Main Street, Keene

This event will begin with reading workshops of the orchestral works of J.S. Bach, continue with a presentation of Dobbs latest comedic musical stories and conclude with the World Premiere showing of the award-winning documentary film, Back to Bolivia: A Lifetime Later. Visit www.bachwithverse.org for more information.

AAA Northern New England - Keene

Southern Italy and Sicily Travel Presentation

Monday, May 7, 6:00 pm AAA Office, 429 West Street, Keene

Learn about AAA Northern New England – Keene's exciting vacation package to Southern Italy & Sicily featuring Taormina, Matera, Alberobello and the Amalfi Coast from March 12-23, 2019. For information, contact Joleah MacKenzie at (603) 358-0460 or mackenzie.joleah@nne.aaa.com.

Monadnock Developmental Services

Run - Walk - Smile 5K/1-Mile/10K Race

Saturday, May 19th, Downtown Keene

Join friends of Monadnock Developmental Services (MDS) for the fourth annual Run~Walk~Smile Race to raise funds for dental care for those with developmental disabilities. Participants can choose the race they prefer – 1-Mile, 5K, or the 10K Chapman Challenge for the most avid runners.

The 5K course is fast and flat and runs along the Keene Bike Path and through east Keene neighborhoods. People of all ages, abilities and fitness levels are invited to participate and can run or walk the 5K or one-mile course. The 10K is for runners only, and that course runs along the Keene Bike Path and up Chapman Road in east Keene. Cost for the 5K or 10K is \$25; \$20 for the 1-Mile; and \$15 for those 12 and under. Those who register by April 30th will receive a free all-cotton race T-shirt.

All proceeds from Run~Walk~Smile benefit the MDS Dental Fund to help pay for critical dental work and emergencies for adults with developmental disabilities. Medicaid funding does not cover most preventative or acute dental care for adults; it covers only extractions. The money raised will help provide effective dental solutions for those in most need.

Visit www.mds-nh.org for full details and to register online, or call (603) 352-1304.

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March B2B Brown Bag Lunch: Achieving Work/Life Balance with Jeff Saari, Jeff Saari Coaching Friday, March 9, 2018 Noon- 1 pm GKCC Conference Room

NH Energy Roundtable Discussion

Monday, March 12, 2018 4:30-6:30 pm Scores Bar & Grille Entrance faces Railroad Square

March Business Before Hours

Tuesday, March 13, 2018 7:30-9:00 am Cheshire Medical Center Occupational & Environmental Medicine Offices (in the Kohl's Plaza, next to Walgreens)

March Business After Hours

Wednesday, March 21, 2018 5:30-7:00 pm Stonewall Farm Presorted Standard US Postage Paid Keene, NH Permit No. 391

GKCC April Events...

April Business After Hours

Wednesday, April 18, 2018 5:30-7:00 pm Edward Jones Walpole Office (Held at Bellows Walpole Inn) 297 Main Street, Walpole, NH

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