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GOLF TOURNAMENT 2013

GOLFERS - mark your calendars and sign up NOW! The Chamber golf tournament is Friday, May 3 at Big Creek Golf Course. Enjoy an afternoon of golf, drinks, prizes and FUN! The two-person scramble starts with lunch at 11:30 am, tee-off at 1 pm. Cost is \$100/person, \$200/team.

Support the Chamber golf tournament and support your area. It's our largest annual fundraiser. Prizes on every hole, a hole-in-one shootout, and cash prizes!

TWIN LAKES TREASURE HUNT

The Chamber's second annual Twin Lakes Treasure Hunt at the Fairgrounds is Saturday, May 11 from 7 am - 3 pm. Save that STUFF for a booth at the TL Treasure Hunt...a community-wide ONE STOP garage sale! Organizations - it's a great fundraiser too!!

To reserve a booth, call Susannah at 425-5111. Booth cost is \$25 for chamber members, \$35 for non-members. Booths are approximately 12x12 in size. Tables available from the fairgrounds on a first-come first serve basis. Admission to the TLTH will be \$2/person. Let's make this a successful annual event for our area - sign up today!

AEDC VISIT IN JUNE

The Arkansas Economic Development Commissioners are coming to Mountain Home June 12-13! Twenty-five commissioners (and their spouses) from around the state will be here and it's our time to shine! We hope to show them all the things that makes our Mountain Home so unique. We are working on all the details of their visit and will be asking a few of you to help with various activities. How can you help? We will provide a welcome bag to each commissioner packed full of nice items from our area. If your business produces something, or has promotional items that would be a great addition to the bags, please let Susannah know! We are asking for NICE items (we'll need twenty-five) that are a representation of our area. Thanks in advance to all who are helping make this visit a success.

THE ART ODYSSEY STUDIO TOUR

The Art Odyssey Studio Tour will be May 17-18-19, 2013. Visit with over thirty artists inside their studios as they open their doors and showcase their works. Painters, sculptors, carvers, fiber artists, beadars, wood turners, photographers, basket artists, potters, mixed media and mosiac artists - TAO brings artists and art enthusiasts together. Visit the website for details, artist bios, etc. www.TheArtOdyssey.com.

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FOCUS MOUNTAIN HOME - ACTIVITY UPDATE

Bo Gregory, Director of Economic Development:

- Met with Katherine Holmstrom, AEDC Regional Manager
- Completed AEDC Arkansas Site Selection Center Letter of Commitment
- Met with Mayor Osmon and Amon Tilley, Street Superintendent. Amon advised of availability of fly over photos of Mountain Home, 5-mile radius, and traffic counts, plus he offered new counts whenever needed
- Attended first Arkansas Economic Developers and Arkansas Chamber of Commerce Executives joint winter meeting, Little Rock
- Met with Francene Miller, Governor's Dislocated Worker Task Force
- Met with Mark Young, Jonesboro Chamber Economic Development Director
- With help of Quorum Court, assisted Legend Boats in the successful attainment of an AEDC tax grant back to support their \$1.26 expansion, the addition of 30 new jobs, and the retention of the 44 current positions
- A prospect is coming to town from North Carolina to discuss possible partnership with Legend. They currently work for Bass Cat
- Targeted Business Recruitment Committee, Chaired by Barney Larry and Business Retention and Expansion Committee, Chaired by Robin Myers have both met twice
- Completed inventory of occupied and vacant buildings within MH City limits. Fire Department had this information. Working with 911 service to get data for County addresses
- Dividing businesses listed in the inventory by businesses sectors and sub-sectors
- Converting the street addresses from our building inventory to GPS coordinates so we may more easily create custom maps of business sectors
- Completed AEDC site selection website training. During same visit met with AEDC cohorts, including Grant Tennille, Executive Director of AEDC
- Key speaker at Job EXPO at ASUMH and at Twin Lakes HR group meeting
- Working with State Work Force Development in an attempt to beef up local employees and job seekers' "soft employment skills"
- Listed first site on State's Site Selection Website. Currently working with local realtors and land/building on more listings
- Fielded several calls for demographic data, one from Jonesboro that has two clients interested in opening new retail in MH
- Attending Basic Arkansas Economic Development course April 1-4. Completed the North Carolina course, but this was a great chance to learn more AR specific info
- Bo and Dana met with the majority of the FMH investors; personal visits will continue throughout the program

Retiree Recruitment and Tourism Committee/ Eddie Majeste, CEO Chamber of Commerce:

- Attended the Springfield, MO, Boat and RV Show, Jan. 11-13
Approximately 450 VR Guides were distributed
Tobias Pugsley assisted one day of the event
- Attended the Chicago, IL, Travel and Adventure Show, Jan. 26 & 27
Approximately 750 VR Guides were distributed
Met with numerous travel bloggers for write-ups and advertorials. Al Herter assisted one day of the event.
- Attended the St. Louis, MO, Sport and Boat Show, Feb. 6-10
Approximately 1350 VR Guides were distributed.
T.C. Carter assisted two days of the event.
- Met with Branson Airport Promotional Director. VR Guides are now distributed in the airport
- Attended Governor's Conference/Parks and Tourism
- A new website, EnjoyMountainHome.com will be online soon
- The new display booth was used at the shows
- Approximately 2,500 of the additional 5000 VR Guides purchased were distributed
- Scheduled a quarter-page ad in Southern Travel & Lifestyle magazine for three editions marketing Mountain Home through June

Bits 'N' Pieces is a FREE benefit to members..a chance for you to share about your business or organization! Just email your "Bits" each month. Keep it short and sweet... preferably 25 words or less!

Simple Man's: Open for lunch Tuesday thru Friday 11:00am. Live bands Friday and Saturday offering FREE shuttles. Line dancing. Karaoke. Charity poker run May 4th.

Ozark Opportunities – "Double Duty Tips for the Home" – save time and money! 213 E 6th Street, Suite 101, Thursday, April 11, 5:30 – 6:30 pm.

It is Termite and Pest season! Please call **TERMINIX** for your no obligation pest evaluation. We will do a thorough inspection of your home. Financing available. Call us at 424 2153.

Our inventory is full! We need more quality rentals for our large pool of potential tenants. For more info call **Jo Adams Properties** 580-0583.

Mommy & Me will be having a huge consignment sale on Friday, April 12 from 8-5 an Saturday April 13 from 8-3! Come check it out at 123 east 7th street!

NORTH CENTRAL BOARD OF REALTORS SPECIAL OLYMPICS FISHING DERBY Saturday, April 27th 9am-Noon, Big Spring Park, Cotter, AR (Contact Clyde Packer @ (870) 321-2231 for more information).

Fire or Water Damage could strike at anytime. **SERVPRO** has an App so you can be better prepared! Put help in the palm of your hand with the Ready Plan App. or visit SERVPRO.COM/READY.

Repell Diabetes Learning Center will host the 4th Annual Move It for Diabetes 5K/10K Run or Walk, Saturday May 11 2013 at 7:30 am at Big Creek Golf and Country Club. Registration forms available online at www.baxterregional.org or call 508-1765 for more info!

Conner-Hankins Funeral Home congratulates apprentice funeral director/embalmer Bryan Moore on completing the mortuary science program at ASUMH. CHFH also welcomes apprentice Mark Barclay, student in the ASUMH mortuary science program. So proud of both of you!

The Gardening Season is here. **Hickory Ridge Seeds** recommends you try your hand at heirloom seeds this year. Check out their wide selection of vegetables, herbs, and flowers at www.hickoryridgeseeds.com.

Mother/Daughter makeovers by **Diane Burton, Mary Kay & LC Creative Productions**; April 27, 9 am-5 pm @ LC Creative. By appointment only: 425-7836.

Hill Country Art Gallery welcomes is proudly exhibiting the artwork of 90 year-old Russ Wilhite in April. Patrick McAuliff, watercolorist, has joined the Gallery.

Join **Arvest** for a customer appreciation event at our newest location at 650 South St. just off the square on April 12th from 11-1p.m.

The **Mountain Home Business & Professional Women** invite you to join us at our regular meeting on Thursday, April 11th at 5:30 p.m. in the Kent Room of Integrity First Bank. We will be awarding scholarships to six recipients. For info call 656-6331.

You can now request your favorite country songs using the free Mountain Country app. Get yours today from the app store by searching '**Mountain Country 94**'.

Join **Schliemann Center for Women's Health Education** for "Nip & Tuck", featuring Dr. Adam Newman, plastic surgeon.. Thursday, April 18th 6-8 p.m. hosted by Integrity First Bank. \$10 p/p Call 508-2345 for reservations.

Upcoming Chamber Events...

Thursday, April 18...

Business After Hours at
North AR Chiropractic
5:15 pm

Wednesday, April 24 ..

Good Morning Mtn Home
8 am at CenturyLink

Friday, May 3..

*First Friday at El Chico
hosted by

First Federal Bank

*Chamber Golf Tourna-
ment

Tee off at 1 pm

Celebrate Your Heritage. Now is the time to engrave your name or business on a Foundation Stone at the **Baxter County Heritage Center**. Call 870-425-2551.

Baxter Regional Medical Center 34th Annual Health Fair-KTLO/KCTT/BOOT 22nd Annual Senior Expo at Baxter County Fairgrounds. April 24 & 25 ... Doors open at 7:30 AM.

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El Chico is counting down the days to Cinco de Mayo!!! Fun! Food! Fun! Games! Fun! Drinks! Don't miss the big celebration on Saturday May 4th!

May is Skin Cancer Awareness Month. **Peitz Cancer Support House** reminds you to stay safe in the sun, wear your sunscreen.

This little piggy ran all the way to **jclare studios**....for photos! Reserve your session with baby pigs...wear Razorback red, overalls or your Sunday best. 425-2005.

Brooks Jeffrey Computer Store now offers iPhone touch screen replacement service - fast and affordable! Call for details: 425-8064.

Kindness, Inc. volunteers are invited to a thank you picnic planned for April 20th. We'll have the hot dogs & buns... you're invited to bring a dish to pass and someone you think would make a good addition to our group! RSVP with Judy at the Kindness office.

Nature's Way, The Health Food Store on the Square features Dr. Derrick Johnson of **Integrated Dentistry** speaking on "The Effects of Mercury on the Body" at our free Third Thursday Forum, April 18, 10am and 2pm. Call 425-7677 to reserve a seat.

Bob Ketchum of **Cedar Crest Studio** celebrates the 10th year of producing the "Last Dance". Students from area schools attended the dramatization held April 5th.

NEW! NEW! DEEP DEEP DISH, 8 corners of large deep dish pizza at **Little Caesars**. Crunchy crust with caramelized cheese edges, topped with your favorite toppings. Pepperoni HNR between 4-8. Call ahead for special orders.

Dawt Mill's new Chef's Kitchen, a small 12 seat exclusive restaurant is nearing completion! The Chef's Kitchen is in addition to our full time Restaurant, Henegar's Grist Mill. In the Chef's Kitchen guests will be able to select their food and Chef will cook for them table side!

Baxter County's most powerful radio group, **Twin Lakes Radio**, is excited to announce KKTZ Hit 93.5 is now upgraded to 50,000 watts - double the previous power!

April 27th at 4 PM, Arts at **St. Andrew's Episcopal Church** will host a Steel Drum concert. And come join us the following Saturday for our Spring Luncheon on May 4th at 12 PM.

Are you an employer looking for the right person to hire? Let **Goodwill** help you find the right person for your job openings. For more information call Career Specialist- Kim Markowski at 508-0042.

Hopper Environmental Services is celebrating 50 years providing Termite and Pest Control to the Twin Lakes Area. Superior Service and Reliable Results since 1963!

The day meeting of the **Hill'NHollow Quilt Guild** will be(9:30 am) Apr. 14, 'Treatment Goals of a Quiltaholic, by Flavin Glover. \$5.00 for guests at Redeemer Lutheran Life center. For information, call 706-0326.

ADSI is proud to announce the addition of Sandy Baxter to our alarm sales and marketing team. Let her show you our new technology for both home control and peace of mind.

Mtn. Home's Sports Station for everything Razorbacks and ESPN is **ESPN ARKANSAS 104.3** and espnarkansas.net.

Real Life Church - Meeting at 3933 Hwy 62 w. Mountain Home. invites you to Worship @9:30 or 11:00 on Sundays. Check us out @ rlclive.com!

Want to know more about Identity Theft prevention? **First Security Trust & Wealth Management** and **Grant CPA** are co-sponsoring an informational seminar, June 20th, The Sheid.

The Second Annual Father Daughter Ball is set for May 11th at the Sheid. Tickets go on sale April 15th and will be available at the Chamber office. Proceeds will benefit **Mountain Home Christian Academy**.

Grab a girlfriend and have some fun at **Marvelous!** Girls' Night Out: 5:30 p.m. April 23 at Big Creek. RSVP to Lucinda at 870-421-2123 or Jennifer at 870-321-6711.

Thompson Insurance is proud to announce our newest employee, Jason Hannaford. Whether you need to insure your auto, home, or business, call Jason at 870-321-0600.

5K Walk/Run by **Twin Lakes Civitan Club!** May 18th at Norfolk High School. Proceeds to Arkansas Special Olympics. Registration forms at First Federal Bank - Mountain Home or online at www.twinlakescivitan.weebly.com.

Come join us at the **Donald W. Reynolds** April 12th from 6-9 pm for a fundraiser for **Gamma House!** Live music by Coyote Union! This fundraiser is presented by the ASU-J RN class of 2013. Jewelry Raffle from **Gregory Jewelers** and delicious food from **Black Bird Cafe**.

Restore by King Dermatology will have their Grand Opening Friday April 12 from 11-1. Ribbon Cutting at 11:30, Giveaways and Refreshments, KTLO Live Remote, Makeovers & more!

Jay Chafin State Farm wants to remind everyone to NEVER text-and-drive! This growing trend is proving to be a deadly habit!!

CenturyLink employees Rick Steiner and Rheanell Pollard of Mountain Home were awarded the CenturyLink Circle Of Excellence award for their sales performance and hard work in 2012. They will be travelling to the St. Regis Monarch Beach resort in California to celebrate!

The **Relay for Life** Survivor Banquet is April 25th at the MH Baptist Christian Life Center at noon. Relay for Life is May 3rd.

CELL PHONE WORKSHOP sponsored by **First Presbyterian Church** (across from Cooper Park) and the MHHS National Honor Society. Saturday, April 20, 10:00 am to 1:30 pm. Free lunch provided following workshop. For information call 870-425-3799.

Twin Lakes Woodworking & Remodeling - Let the spring projects begin! 1210 Commerce Drive. 580-0538.

North AR Chiropractic will host Business After Hours April 18, as well as a Migraine and Headache seminar following BAH. Don't miss it!

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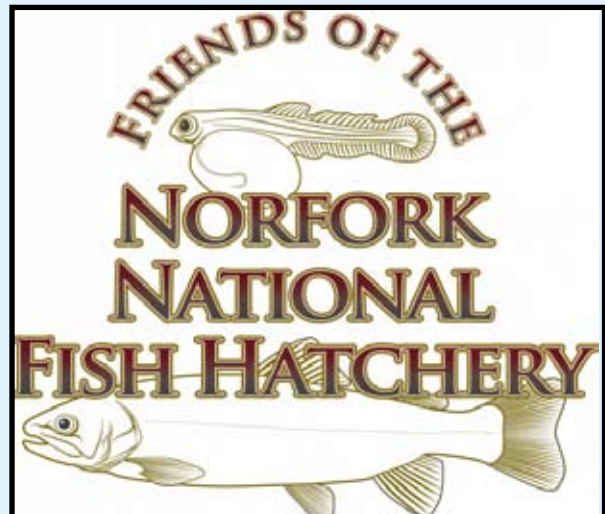
In March, the Chamber Ambassadors welcomed **Long Chiropractic** on Hospital Drive and **Hickory Ridge Seeds**, www.hickoryridgeseeds.com from Viola



Business After Hours was hosted by **Ultimate Auto Group** in March.



First Friday Breakfast was hosted by **Friends of the Norfolk National Fish Hatchery** in March.





LEADERSHIP 2012-13

visited our local manufacturers in March for Industry Day. We packed in tours of Baxter Healthcare, Eaton, two of the American Stitchco plants, Microplastics and Bass Cat Boats!

The **Community Career EXPO** was held March 12 at The Sheid on the ASU Mountain Home campus. Over fifty employers were on hand again this year representing many job opportunities for ASU students and the community. Special thanks to all sponsors and especially to ASUMH for hosting this important event!





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