Warner Retailer Meeting

January 6, 2011

Martha Thoits - UCC Warner Deb Moore - Foot Hills Shirley Brown - Country Cobwebs Carolyn Beverly - Mary Kay Cosmetics Rebecca Courser - WHS Cheryl Blais - The Maples Nancy Ladd - PFL Kay Steen - Wingdoodle Betty Desmarais - LizzieStitch Laura French - NHTM <u>Next Meeting</u> Thursday, January 20 8:30 a.m. @ NHTM

Holiday Shopping Tour

Carolyn Beverly presented the HST Gift Basket to the winner, Karin Heffernan of Sutton Mills. She has photos and will send them to us to include with an article for Kearsarge Happenings and to be posted on the KACC website.

Discover the Heart of Warner Valentine's Event - Saturday, February 12, 2011

- The hours for the event will be 10 am to 2 pm
- ♥ We will do the Bingo Cards again
- Participants will need to find an antique Warner Valentine's postcard hidden at each Bingo Stop. It is up to each shop to come up with a clue for folks to locate the hidden postcard.
 <u>Action Items</u>: Rebecca will provide the postcards; Laura will locate last year's Bingo Card and revise for this year.
- The Grand Prize will be a package consisting of Valentine's Day Dinner for Two at Foot Hills; Pampering Stuff from Country Cobwebs; Roses; and something for the kids. Other possibilities: Something from Mary Kay Cosmetics; Massage for 2 (Nina?); and a Carriage ride. <u>Action Items</u>: Laura will talk with Nina about the massages; Cheryl will talk with Brian Erickson about the horse & carriage ride; we need to find someone to provide the roses and kid gift.
- We would like to offer horse & carriage rides the day of the event. <u>Action Item</u>: Cheryl will contact Brian Erickson and at the same time confirm Spring into Warner for 10am to 2pm. Also ask Brian if he wants to bring his Concord Coach on Valentine's Day or for Spring into Warner.
- Advertising We have a short window for advertising this event. Suggestions included Concord Monitor, Kearsarge Shopper, InterTown Record. I also received a call from Granite Quill (deadline is 1/14). It will depend on how many participants we have. <u>Action Items: Laura will ask Carolyn if she can do the advertising; Laura will e-mail the participation forms.</u>
- Hearts, Banners, and Chocolate: Anyone planning to be a Bingo Stop (\$100) should be looking for their Valentine's Banners and the wooden hearts on a stake that were distributed last year. If you don't have a wooden heart, let Laura know as she has a couple extras at the museum. Also - plan on handing out some sort of chocolate if you are a Bingo Stop.
- Skating @ Riverside Park <u>Action Item</u>: Laura will contact Apryl to see if the Preschool wants to sell hot chocolate as a fundraiser. If not, we can ask the PTO.
- Activities so far:

Dinner At Foot Hills Restaurant (tentative) Valentine's Dance @ the Town Hall sponsored by KCPA Country Cobwebs - Chocolate Covered Strawberries, Cookies & 10% Off Foot Hills - Free Cookies while supplies last United Church of Warner - Church Supper Pillsbury Free Library - Valentine's Day Card Craft (tentative) Skating @ Riverside Park Friday, February 11 - Time? Friday, February 11 - 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Saturday, February 12 Saturday, February 12 Saturday, February 12 - Time? Saturday, February 12 - Time?

Idea for 2012: Bring area chefs together to make chocolate goodies and have them set up in the town hall for people to sample and vote on.

Spring Into Warner - Saturday, May 14, 2011

We want to bring this back to its original purpose of educating about the arts with a focus more on demonstrations and less on selling and also kids activities. Each business should be thinking about an artisan that could set up in their shop or on their lawns that could demonstrate their craft. Ideas included: Spinning Demonstrations; Basket Making (at Upton Chandler House), Quilts, Wood Carving. We would love to have artists up and down Main Street again painting, sketching etc. and musical performances. We will brainstorm more at the next meeting.

Other Business

The library is celebrating their 120th year with all sorts of events. The Retailer Group may be able to combine efforts on some events.

The WFFF is undergoing some changes and are interested in working more closely with the Retailers. If anyone is able to attend their monthly meetings, they meet on the first Monday of every month at 6:00 p.m. at the Library.

Foot Hills is revamping their menus and will include a section for advertising. Once Deb has pricing and ad sizes she will send information to Laura who will e-mail the information out to the Retailers.

We talked about having a Cemetery Walk or Ghost Tour in October.

REMINDERS:

KACC Annual Meeting & Business after Hours, Tuesday, January 25 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. at Concord Hospital Rehabilitation Services at 2 East Main Street, Warner. To help with planning, please RSVP to rsvp@kearsargechamber.org ASAP.

KACC Dues Renewal Letters have been mailed. Be sure to renew your membership!!