Notes from Warner Retailers meeting

Wednesday, January 18, 2012 at Clovis Moon Café, 8 am - 9:30 am

Present:

Nina Glendinning, Laura French, Nancy Ladd, Rebecca Courser, Angela Tarleton, Cheryl Blais

Main Topic of the meeting was a February 25th event, tentatively titled "Cabin Fever Reliever".

Many ideas were brainstormed, and it was decided to keep it relatively simple and more a community event promoted by Businesses rather than a commercial event.

Summary: Feb 25 is the start of KRSD vacation week, and is the end of Presidents' day week.

- A dance, 7 10 pm put on by Angela (KCPA). Type of dance most favored was a "sock hop", with simple refreshments such as water and cookies. We will wait to check availability of Town Hall after more is known about community/ Church collaboration.
- The Library will do a story time and some small activities to celebrate the Library's 120th.
- The Maples will hold a Tea / Open House from 1 to 3 pm. She may also house one of Angela's Fairy/Leprechaun playhouses. Cheryl also offered a 4' x 4' greenhouse kit as a possible prize or may use it as a door prize for her Open House.
- A gardening program such as seed starting was suggested. Nancy will see if Woman's Club garden group or KAEL would like to arrange or sponsor this; possibly County Extension would do a workshop.
- Ice Skating and / or hockey at riverside possibly a "charity game" between teams such as Fire Dept and Police Depta hilk or snowshoe around the ballfield, or snow sculptures. Ask Parks and Rec. Dept and/or Conservation Commission. ?? grill for marshmallows or hotdogs?
- Winter Skin Care workshop by Carolyn Beverly had been mentioned @ Velvet Moose
- Nina Glendinning is willing to offer chair or foot massages and will ask if other Brookside occupants want ot do w Wellness themed Open House.
- NHTM will offer \$1 off admissions to the museum
- Laura and Nancy planned to attend the Leaders Lunch at noon and ask the Church how all this may coordinate with their plans for a Community Fun Day. Possibly a meal or indoor games at the Church. A Wii tournament was suggested by Laura.
- Simonds School Spirit Week ends Feb 24 with a Winter Carnival at the School grounds.
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Spring into Warner (May 19, 2012)

Laura has been receiving inquiries from artists about 2012 Spring into Warner, via SIW11@kearsargechamber.org. She cannot coordinate it this year and STRONGLY suggests a single person be in charge as coordinator. Planning and publicity needs to start ASAP.

Food Pantry

Laura says there is concern amongst businesses that have been collecting money for the pantry. They and the group present feel that the pantry may not be doing the most it can to reach people with needs, due to lack of hours and effort. She also noted that there has been no thank you or acknowledgement of the \$700 donated by Warner businesses in the last 2 years. She feels that donations or collection efforts may be dropping off due to these factors.

Other news:

- KACC Business after hours meeting is January 31 5:30-7 at NHTM
- Library is hosting a movie, "Gasland" at 7 pm on Friday Jan 20.

Next meeting: Wed., Jan. 25 at 8 am at Clovis Moon to finish planning and PR for Feb 25