More (Events) To Come...

Summer Mixer

sponsored by Monogram Muse, The Drapery Shop & Kidazzle June 5, 5:30-7:30 p.m. More details to follow!!

Summit Nites

June 19-Sept 1 Summer-long event still in planning Details to follow!! (if you would like to be involved in the planning contact Laura (570 587-9045) for info on the retail committee meetings)

Summerfest/Sidewalk Sales

tentative dates July 24-26

Charge It!!

We are pleased to announce that as of April 1, 2008 the ABPA will begin accepting Visa, Mastercard, & Discover for our members to use towards dues, event participation, etc. We hope that you are as excited about this new payment alternative as we are to offer it. If you any questions regarding this new service, please call the ABPA at (570)587-9045. Thank you.







Welcome, New ABPA Members

- Abington Audiology
- Kids Quality Consignments
- Colarossi Salon
- Monogram Muse
- Colarusso's Café
- Motorworld Skin Care RX
- Penn Pay Payroll

• Formosa Restaurant

Versailles



Under Construction... www.TheAbingtons.org

As some of you may have noticed the ABPA website is currently under construction. We are under going an extensive website redesign & update in hopes of bringing our member businesses more exposure & options. Check back soon for more updates.



In The Board Room



ABPA Board of Directors

Back row (L-R): Mary Beth Pasqualicchio, Dave Gleason, Timothy Frankin, Sonia Wysochnski Middle Row (L-R): Gerrie Carey, President of CS Council, Tara Christian, Lisa Sniegocki, Joann Cummings, Sharon Carfora First row (L-R): Karen Thomas, Kristie Grier Ceruti, Francene Dudziec, Diane Calabro, Barry Kaplan Absent from photo: Elizabeth Bertocki, Rosemary Nye, Elena Bush Matuszewski & Warren Watkins



ABPA Board Officers

Back Row (L-R): Kristie Grier Ceruti, Secretary; MaryBeth Pasqualicchio, Treasurer; Dave Gleason, Vice-President Seated (L-R): Diane Calabro, President; Laura Ancherani, Executive Director



Do you have news to share about your business for our Fall/Winter newsletter? Email Laura at

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Awesome Ice Festival!

4th Annual Weekend of Frozen Fun a Success



We are just coming down from our largest Clarks Summit Festival

of Ice to date. With over 50 sculptures the town is still a buzz. A few attendees even wrote local newspapers to tell Clarks Summit how much fun they had. This year's theme was "Movies on Ice." It seemed like Hollywood had frozen over with Marilyn Monroe, Elvis, Rocky, & even the Leg Lamp in Ice all over town. We also had our first celebrity look-a-like contest at Presenting Sponsor Versailles on Sat. February 16, where we awarded our look-alike Shirley Temple her very own Festival of Ice Oscar! There was live music, popcorn, comedy improv, & star wars games. It was a weekend to remember & we are already planning next year's event! We would welcome input & help with our 5th Annual Clarks Summit Festival of Ice. If you're

interested in getting involved, please call Laura at the ABPA for information on our next meeting.



Attendees enjoying the evening!.

Gold Sponsors Presenting Sponsor A Fusion in Design Versailles **ERA One Source Realty**



CS Council members- President, Gerry Carey, Councilmen Herman Johnson, & Kathy Drake with an icy Marilyn Monroe

Silver Sponsors Everything Natural Gerrity's Motorworld **Community Newspaper Group**

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Shirley Temple look-a-like Grace McCormack

receiving her Oscar!

ABPA President Diane Calabro,

Rosemary Nye, & Steve Brown

A Message from the President

To all members of the ABPA, **ABPA NEEDS YOU!**

This year's "mission" is Membership Involvement!

After completing the most successful Ice Festival Event ever, we want to continue the success with all of this year's

A Members' Breakfast is scheduled for March with mixers to follow in the coming months.

activities!

Please mark your calendars for all of these special events!

With a new Board of Directors and lots of retailer involvement, we are moving forward to another great year!



Diane Calabro, Classic Properties

If you have any concerns or compliments, I would like to hear from you. Please e-mail CALABROD@yahoo.com

Your 2008 President, Diane Calabro

ABPA Officers 2008

President - Diane Calabro, Classic Properties Vice President - Dave Gleason, A Fusion in Design

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Liz Bertocki, Willowbrook Assisted Living Community Rosemary Nye, Happenings Magazine Eleana Bush Matuszewski, Ramada Hotel

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ABINGTON BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION SPRING/SUMMER 2008

A Cool Night of Hot Jazz!

A portrait of Saxophonist Tony Carfora

April 17 at the Inn at Nichols Village

Put a spring in your step and a song on your lips and come out for A Cool Night of Hot Jazz, April 17 at the Inn at Nichols Village.

The Abington **Business** and Professional Association mixer, sponsored by Happenings Magazine and the Inn at Nichols Village, promises fun, food and a whole lot of

Jazz professionals Tony Carfora (saxophone), Bob O'Connell (piano) and Pat Marcinko (percussionist) will provide live entertainment,

featuring original compositions from their soon-to-be released CD "NightVibe." Guests may mingle and enjoy an assortment of hors d'oeuvres and food stations while listening to the music. Donna Vannan, executive chef for the Inn at Nichols Village, will prepare a sampling of the Inn's signature dishes. There will be a cash bar in addition to complimentary soft drinks.

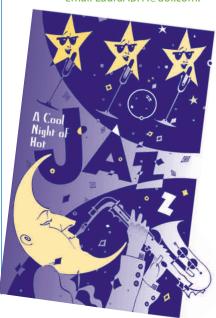
According to Sharon Carfora, special events director for the Inn at Nichols Village, the event is popular every year because "It is a terrific opportunity to meet and greet other professionals who live and work in the Abington community while enjoying superb food and listening to talented



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by ABPA member Marylou Chibirka Association at (570) 587-9045 or email LauraABPA@aol.com.



April 17 The Inn at **Nichols Village** 5:30-7:30 p.m.



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