

Business After Hours at Upright Frameworks

January's Business After Hours for the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce was hosted by Upright Frameworks on January 18. A casual evening of networking and conversation was enjoyed by all who attended.

After introducing themselves, the Upright Frameworks staff talked about weatherization and how to reduce the cost of heating homes. A trivia contest about weatherization was played by those who attended and door prizes of hats, t-shirts and Valentines Dance tickets were given away.

Plan to join us at the next Business After Hours event at Tumbledown Brewery at their location 805 Farmington Falls Rd., Farmington on February 20th from 5-7pm.



Business After Hours Schedule for 2018

- February 20-** Tumbledown Brewery
- March 15-** Comfort Inn
- April 19-** Ski Museum
- May 17-** Central Maine Orthopaedics
- June 21-** Franklin Memorial Hospital
- July 19-** Skowhegan Savings Bank
- August 16-** Tri Chamber BBQ
- September 25-** Franklin Savings Bank
- October 25-** Annual Dinner
- November 15-** Robin's Flower Pot
- December 20-** Key Bank

Trisha Mosher, New Director

I am happy to take this opportunity to introduce myself; I am Trisha Mosher and I am taking on the Executive Director role for the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce.

It has been my pleasure to grow up in the Farmington area. I was born into a local logging family that also had a small farm and learned the value of a hard day's work. After graduating Mt. Blue High School I started my career with local businesses. I have continued to work hard and learn as much as possible from each position I have held. As I have taken on new positions and continued to advance my career it has become more and more important to me to get back to my roots. For the last 12 years I have worked for Non Profit membership organizations. This experience allowed me the opportunity to get back to Farmington when the position here at the FCCC opened. I was quick to apply and I want to thank the Board of Directors for allowing me the opportunity to work in a capacity where I feel I can make a difference in the community that helped raise me.



L to R: Pam Dixon, Treasurer; Trisha Mosher, Executive Director; Mike Blanchet, Board President

Please feel free to reach out to me, as I want to meet all of our members, potential members and the community we serve.

Calendar of Events

Jan 27 2018

MICHAEL COOPER PRESENTS "DOC COOPER" HOMAGE

TIME: 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM
LOCATION: EMERY COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER, UMF, FARMINGTON, ME

Prepare to be inspired and entertained by the true-life story of "Maine's legendary large animal veterinarian," the late "Doc Cooper," which his son Michael will enact with masks and stories. The performance will be held on January 27, 2018, at 7:30 pm in Emery Art Center on the University of Maine at Farmington campus. Michael's stellar 35-year career of mask-making and mime has been inspired by his late father, who moved with his family across the continent from British Columbia to rural Maine to "care for sick and injured animals" -- earning love and reverence in the hearts of countless practitioners of this area's country life.

Jan 28 2018

FAT-TIRE BIKE LOPPET

TIME: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
LOCATION: RANGELEY LAKES TRAILS CENTER, 524 SADDLEBACK MOUNTAIN ROAD

Join us as we host our 3rd Annual Fat-Tire Bike Loppet! The Rangeley Fat-tire Bike Loppet course takes advantage of the beautiful varied terrain we have available here at the Trails Center, from wide straight-a-ways to gradual ascent and descents, to some aggressive hill climb/descent opportunities. Views and possible wildlife sightings are included! The course is a mix of some single track and mostly wide open groomed trails. Course length is 10 or 20 miles but length may be adjusted based on snow conditions. Our stadium (bigger than a football field) provides an

excellent venue for mass starts and great visibility for an exciting finish. There is a sidehill overlooking the stadium that also provides a perfect vantage point for spectators. There are several places along the course that are in the vicinity of our yurt lodge that also provide good places for cheering/spectating. For more information 207-864-4309.

Help celebrate "Make a Blanket Day" by joining us as we make blankets to support Project Linus. We will have sandwiches for lunch, sewing machines, supplies and fabric will be provided or you can bring your own. We will be doing door prizes and raffles. To sign up or FMI: call Becky at 779-7995

Feb 9 2018

1st Annual Cabin Fever Chili and Chowder Cook-off

Time: 2pm-5pm
Location: Life's Perks Coffee Company- 430 Main Street, Wilton
Bring your chili, bring your chowder! Do you have the best in town? Join us on February 9th for the 1st Annual Cabin Fever Chili And Chowder Cook-off! \$20 for each entry with 12 entries total (six chili, six chowder) TASTERS -- \$10 for adults / \$5 for kids -- that price includes a sample of each entry, a bowl for your favorite and a coffee and water. Anyone who is interested in entering -- please message us stop in at the shop! There will be prizes and a 50/50 cash winning for the winner of the best chili and the best chowder! Tasting ends at 4pm to allow for the counting of the votes.

Feb 17 2018

Children's Festival

Time: 11am-3pm
Location: Mt. Blue High School
SAVE THE DATE! New venue this year: Mt Blue High School! The Children's Festival is an opportunity for families to break up the winter blues and get out to enjoy a day of free activities! This year at the festival there will be a low-cost food court, cookie decorating, hands-on activities, music, entertainment, and more! Come on out and watch as your child(s) eyes light up with excitement. We look forward to seeing you there. Remember, February 17th at the Mt. Blue Campus is where all the action will be!

Feb 18 2018

RANGELEY WINTERPALOOZAH!

TIME: 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
LOCATION: HALEY POND AND TOWN PARK, RANGELEY, MAINE
Enjoy a day of playing on the frozen pond and in the snow. Ice Skating, Hockey, Snow Golf, Fat Tire Bike demos, sledding, snow sculpting, campfire, marshmallow roast, hot chocolate and more fun and games for the family. Free. Also pay-for-entry competitions, including Dog Keg Pull, Cardboard Sled Race, Frying Pan Toss, "Paloozah" Carry (a twist on the wife carry event), Fat Tire Bike Race, the Paloozathon (run, snowshoe, fat bike) and a Snow Sculpture Contest. Barbecue lunch available on Haley Pond.

Feb 10 2018

VALENTINE DANCE

TIME: 7:00 PM - 11:00 PM
LOCATION: FARMINGTON ELKS LODGE

Join us for an evening of music and dancing at the Farmington Elks lodge on February 10 from 7pm-11pm. Live music will be by Mark Gentle and tickets are available to purchase at the Chamber office. \$10 per person, FMI call the Chamber at 778-4215.

Feb 17 2018

Project Linus: Make a Blanket Day

Time: 9am-3pm

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Mark Gentle
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Tickets \$10.00!
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