

CHAMBER BULLETIN

COMMUNITY SERVICE BULLETIN BOARD

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This update is brought to you two times a month by the Bitterroot Valley Chamber of Commerce. We want to let you know what is happening in the Valley and give you the opportunity to promote what is happening in your business.

Announcements are limited to 40 words and can have a link to your website. The bulletin board will be emailed on approximately the 1st and the 15th of each month. Announcements must be sent to localinfo@bvchamber.com, three days prior to the bulletin. In the subject line put BULLETIN.

The Bitter Root Brewery is open for lunch and dinner every Monday through Saturday from 11:30am–8pm. Bitter Root Brewing uses Montana grown and malted barley in all of its ales and seasonal beers and provides live music every Thursday and Saturday from 6–8:30pm. www.BitterRootBrewing.com

Bitterroot Motel: Monthly or weekly rentals. Furnished units, laundry room, cable & all utilities included. No smoking. No Pets: Cathy Evans 406–363–1142. www.bitterrootmotel.com

Space for Lease/Sale: Downtown Hamilton – Retail/Restaurant, 2,800 sq. ft. located at 111 North Second Street. Cathy Evans 406–531–6433.

Get Ready, the Bitterroot Tour of Homes is coming this August. Get your company recognized in the Tour of Homes guidebook. A Bronze sponsorship – as low as \$300 – buys you a business card ad in this publication. Log on to www.bbiamontana.org and download the sponsorship agreement. Call Karen at the BBIA for additional information – 375-9411!

Partyware Plus: See our new website at www.partywareplus.com with lots of information about our business. We have decorations for parades, booths, weddings, family reunions, birthdays, and virtually any other gathering. Don't wait, stop in now at 400 West Main, Hamilton.

The chamber is now taking sign-ups for the 2009 Leadership Bitterroot class. The class begins September 17 with Orientation And the first session starts September 24. This will be a year of restructuring and exciting new opportunities for the class. If you are interested, please contact Pat at the chamber 363-2400.

GREAT OPPORTUNITY! The 14th Annual Bitterroot Microbrew Fest is July 26. **KEG SPONSORSHIPS IS ONLY \$75!!** You get a **FREE** pass and on site recognition! This event draws over 1200 people yearly to Hamilton in 8 hours! If you or your business would like to be a sponsor of this great Chamber fundraiser, contact Pat 363-2400.

“In Search of the Golden Bone” – A New Award Winning DVD movie for children and families is now available. It was filmed here in the Valley and stars Jack the Bitterroot Beagle. The scenery is breathtaking! Call Bitterroot Beagle Productions (363-6616) for information on where to purchase. www.BitterrootBeagle.com

THE EXCHANGE is OPENED Monday through Friday at 4:30 ... food and beverages served!

FEDERAL RATE INCREASES – Two federal rate increases take effect this month, that may or may not affect you. The first is the increase in the standard mileage rates. The rate will increase to \$.585/mile for business miles starting July 1, 2008. That's an increase of eight cents from the rate in effect for the first six months of 2008 and is directly related to gas prices. The second is the increase in the federal minimum wage and, since Montana implements the higher of its own or the federal minimum wage, Montana's minimum wage rate. Effective July 24, 2008, our minimum wage will increase to \$6.55/hour.