

Inside the Chamber

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Blueberry Festival Report

by Dianne E. Turner, "Mother Blueberry"

The 2005 Shawangunk Mountain Wild Blueberry and Huckleberry Festival. To be held in the Village of Ellenville on Saturday, August 27th, 2005. Sponsored by the **Ellenville-Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce.**

Churches, Non-Profits, Community Groups... Now is the time to plan your fund-raiser for August 27th, 2005. What better exposure could you expect than the crowd that **Blueberry Festival 2005** will attract at no advertising cost to you?

"Vendor" booths are offered to you at no charge. "Garage sale" tables of good donated items are always fun for the bargain hunters. Even better, if you would like your group to sell blueberry-related items, the **Blueberry Festival Committee** would be more than willing to help you locate a product to sell. The more Blueberry goodies available, the happier the crowd will be. Homemade goodies are sought after – just check with the **Ulster Co. Health Dept.**, 340-3010, for any regulations that may apply.

The Blueberry Festival Committee is also looking for groups that would like to offer kids games as a fundraiser for their group. Old-fashioned games would be ideal. Have an idea? Call us. Leave your name/number with Janet at the **Chamber Office**, 647-4620, or e-mail **motherblueberry12428@yahoo.com**. Don't miss this opportunity to make your group shine!

We would like to thank the following **Friends of the Festival** businesses and individuals that have donated at least \$100 toward the expenses of producing our Blueberry Festival 2005:

- ☺ 209 Sand & Gravel, LLC.
- ☺ James' General Store
- ☺ Ulster Heights Tavern
- ☺ B&H Garage and Lighthouse Deli
- ☺ Craft Chiropractic Associates, P.C.
- ☺ Stewart's Shops
- ☺ Matthew's Pharmacy
- ☺ Joe Tso
- ☺ The Nature Conservancy

If you would like to make a donation and be listed in **Friends of the Festival**, please contact Red at 647-3497 or **grudis@hvc.rr.com**.

Vendor Application: Copy available on **page 33**, or go online at **www.ewcoc.info/blueberryapp.pdf**

The **Blueberry Festival Committee** would like to put together a community recipe book that would be sold as a means of raising funds toward producing the **Festival** (Similar to the selling of the official **Festival** T-shirts). The recipes can be of any type – the more variety the better – and the book would be interspersed with blueberry trivia, history, and blueberry "memories."

If you have a recipe and/or story you would like to share, please send ASAP to **Blueberry Recipes, EWCoC, PO Box 227, Ellenville, NY 12428**. Please enclose your name, address, and the phone number and e-mail address where you may be reached. 🍷

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"It is the purpose of the **Chamber** to promote economic development, tourism, community betterment, legislative action, and an interest in public affairs, with programs designed to make the community a better place in which to live and make a living." (**Chamber** Bylaws, Article II-1)



Former Ellenville-Wawarsing Chamber of Commerce Board members were honored at a special dinner at II Paradiso on April 5th. Shown above (with years served on the Board), left to right, Mary Ellen Rury (2003-2004), Dwight Coombe (2002-2004), and Karen Berger (1999-2004). Missing from the picture is Robin Anderson (2003-2004)



Peter Fairweather of Fairweather Consulting, right, and Tom Shepstone of Shepstone Management, center, presented the results of the community survey and preliminary draft of the Wawarsing Comprehensive Plan to the Wawarsing Town Board and members of the public on April 21st. With review and comment by appropriate boards and the public, a finalized plan should be ready in June for adoption thereafter. **Wawarsing.Net** participated in the process by making a short form of the survey available in September 2004, and presented highlights of the survey results in the April 2004 issue. You can get more info at: **www.fairweatherconsulting.com/Wawarsing**