

CHAMBER RIBBON CUTTING

The Altavista Area Chamber of Commerce held ribbon cutting ceremonies for one of Altavista's newest businesses, Reedy Hills Gardens. Located at on Lynch Mill Road across from Altavista Elementary School, Reedy Hills Gardens has lots of plants, flowers and shrubs and also offers landscaping services.



Reedy Hills Gardens



CHAMBER WELCOMES NEWEST MEMBERS

- **Rehab Associates of Central VA - Hurt** located at 527 Pocket Road in Hurt. For additional information, please contact Ms. Brandy Wilson at (434) 324-9750.

ENTREPRENEUR EXPRESS

Attention Small Business Owners and Entrepreneurs: You are invited to attend the Entrepreneur Express Workshop, which is a series of free workshops being offered throughout Virginia. See the enclosed flyer for additional details.



TGIF SET FOR FRIDAY MAY 29th

The Altavista Area Chamber of Commerce will hold the first of four TGIFs on Friday, May 29th at AVOCA Museum beginning at 6:00 p.m. Come and enjoy music by "Papa Groove" which plays a variety of songs, a cold beverage, a hot slice of pizza. Admission is \$3.00 for adults and children under 12 entry for free. Bring a lawn chair and/or blanket and relax and enjoy a spring evening in the shade of AVOCA. **THANKS** to the following for sponsorship of the May 29th TGIF: **Danville Distributors (Budweiser), First National Bank and the One Stop Mart in Altavista.**



Congratulations to English's Inc. who celebrated their 100th year anniversary on May 2nd.

BUSINESS CONSULTATION

A representative from the Region 2000 Small Business Development Center will be available here at the Train Station in Altavista from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on the first Thursday of each month to provide **FREE**, confidential assistance to help you start or expand your business, develop better marketing strategies and inform you of the resources available for small businesses. Contact the Chamber Officer, mornings, at (434) 369-6665 to schedule your appointment.

UNCLE BILLY'S DAY

June 6 - 8

<http://www.unclebillysdayfestival.com/>

CHAMBER HOLDS FIRST QUILT FESTIVAL

The Quilt Festival was an overwhelming success with over 400 people attending coming from 50 locations including 3 states. The residents in the area and beyond enjoyed the beautiful quilts that were exhibited. An additional benefit was the positive public relations and exposure for Altavista. It is our hope that while they were here, they visited our local businesses and did



tions, and volunteers

some shopping also. This event was successful due to the hard work of the committee, various organiza-

TGIFs ARE COMING!

Mark your calendars for this summer's TGIFs - all at AVOCA Museum!

- ☺ Friday, May 29 "Papa Groove"
- ☺ Friday, June 27 "Scratch Gravel Road"
- ☺ Friday, July 25 "Almost Brothers"
- ☺ Friday, August 22 "Key West"

All four TGIFs start at 6:00 p.m. and admission is \$3.00

INFLUENZA A H1N1 OUTBREAK

The Virginia Department of Health has issued a statement regarding the recent outbreak of influenza H1N1 (swine flu). A copy is included in this Newsletter (on the back of the Entrepreneur Express Workshop flyer). Included in the letter are several web sites which will provide you with additional information regarding this outbreak.

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