

Lakes Region Chamber to Host Spring Job Fair

May 1 at Belknap Mall in Belmont

Press release

For individuals who want to work, many Lakes Region businesses are hiring! The Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a Spring Job Fair on Tuesday, May 1 from 11 AM to 2 PM at the Belknap Mall, 96 Daniel Webster Highway in Belmont.

“Finding qualified workers to fill positions is a challenge in a variety of industries. In our continuing commitment to support our local business community, the Chamber will be hosting our annual Spring Job Fair. Each year we feature 30 plus employers looking to fill hundreds of jobs,” announced Karmen Gifford, President of the Lakes Region Chamber. Whether you are recruiting for full-time, part-time, seasonal jobs or offering paid/unpaid internship openings, participation is your opportunity to engage.”

If you are an employer, register today to reserve your table. The cost to exhibit is \$100. Promoting your business, showcasing the type of work you

offer, and developing relationships within the community is an important part of recruitment today. Registering early maximizes your opportunity to feature your business and hiring needs in all the pre-event marketing. Promotion will include print, digital marketing and radio ads are currently being produced to run on Mix 94.1 FM, WSCY 106.9 fm, Planet 100.1 fm and Oldies 92.9.

The Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce is a private, non-profit organization made up of member businesses making a financial commitment to the Chamber and to the business community supporting 24 towns/cities. The Chamber strives to create and promote a more engaged community and thriving economy for the businesses in the Lakes Region.

For more information about the Lakes Region Chamber of Commerce and other resources that they provide, contact Joanne Haight, Membership Manager at 603.524.5531. For a directory of local businesses or a list of community events, visit LakesRegionChamber.org.

Letters

Purpose of Town Meeting

About the recent town meeting...it's worth a reminder that the purpose of a town meeting is to conduct the town's business for the coming year by addressing warrant articles put forth by the Board of Selectmen and the townspeople. All of the information contained in the town report is made available to the public through detailed budget hearings, general public hearings, all well advertised and open to the public, and through open hours of the Select Board, which also holds twice monthly meetings, and the Town Administrator.

Efforts to derail the smooth running of the meeting with personal and private concerns serve no purpose. We come as neighbors, to discuss and vote and move forward the town's agenda. Perhaps those who wish to simply grandstand in front of their friends and whine about and mock the town's officers should do that someplace else, long before the second Tuesday in March, or else get involved in the decision making themselves.

Janet Moore

Representative Ann Copp

Representative Anne Copp sent me the following email after she had berated me at the State House for wearing a pink hat from the National Women's March. I was standing with a sign that read "Trust Women."

When I found out who she was, I emailed her to ask her what was going on, because she wouldn't talk to me, but instead yelled that I was a "disgrace!" Her email reply in its entirety (shared with her permission):

"Ms. Brennan,

Let's just say that you have disgraced yourself in the New Hampshire State House. Furthermore you were also not aware you Happened to be standing in the Hall of Flags were men and women died for our freedoms. Mine where I choose to show respect for them and Our House! You madam had none even for yourself.

Seriously, you and your wayward pals wearing your genitals on your head have sent the Women's movement back to the stone-age, which is where perhaps you are most happy to dwell. An

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utter and total disgrace!

Our passions allow both sides debate on any issue, you chose to offend and shutdown debate. The nerve you have to even remotely think you represent Women today is laughable. Accomplished, Intelligent, Determined, not Victims!

When you show respect for yourself and your State you should try to be part of the solution and run to represent your district.

See if you can solve the issues of the day with honor, respect and maybe a little decorum for the institution.

I assure you your constituents would not ask someone with your views to represent the majority of NH Women. Ms Brennan we have nothing in common.

Good day"

I am not a constituent of Ms. Copp's, but I would like to address her letter here, where her constituents can see it.

Representative Copp, first of all, I am well aware of the significance of the Hall of Flags in the State House. I have lived in New Hampshire for 50 years and know our history. I am also aware that I have a First Amendment right to free speech, and that many veterans, including my husband, would tell you that protecting this freedom is one reason they served. There is a movement in this country to criminalize free speech. I hope you are not in that camp.

Second, the women who designed the pink hats did so to call out our misogynistic president for his vulgar remarks and actions, as well as to take back the original meaning of pussy, thus the kitty-cat ears. Though if I'd wanted to wear genitals on my head, I submit that is also protected speech. (See my first point.)

Third, I don't understand how standing on one side of an issue, or proudly standing with women who are standing up for their rights and refusing to be victims any longer, constitutes "shutting down debate."

And finally, some choose to run for office at the local, state or federal level. Others choose the power of speech, the power of the pen, the power of the vote, and the power of peaceful protest.

Sincerely,

Nancy Brennan, Weare

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