

NHSA Calendar - at a glance

Wednesday
June 17

NHSA Meeting
ALEXANDER'S
Italian Restaurant
489 Portland Ave.
Rollinsford, NH
7:00pm

WELCOME presenters:
HART Supply
& SloanLED

Wednesday
August 5

NHSA Meeting
Barlo Signs
158 Greeley Street
Hudson, NH
7:00pm

WELCOME presenters:
Graphic Resources Systems
& Gemini Letters

Friday
August 28

“ROCK, ROLL &
REMEMBER” CRUISE
on the Mt. Washington
departing Weirs Beach
Laconia, NH
6:45pm
... Social Event ...

Pre-purchase tickets - \$47/pp
(NO PAYMENTS AT THE GATE)

Contact Rick Szilagyi (603)868-9200 or ricks@signsnh.com
if you will be attending any or all of the dates.

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NEWS DEADLINES:

(Spring - March 21st)
(Summer - May 21st)
(Fall - Aug. 21st)
(Winter - Nov. 21st)

Mack Awards Supplement (Feb. 1st)

MACK Awards Committee:

Denis Maltais, Don Reed,
Mike Leary, Rick Szilagyi,
Pam Bartlett, Jerome Holden,
Dave Hartley, Paul Tripp
& Rick Westergren



Cruise with Us...



“ROCK, ROLL & REMEMBER” CRUISE Lake Winnepesaukee

Join the NHSA as we travel around the beautiful lake aboard the M/S Mt. Washington
for a relaxing social evening.

Event includes a full dinner buffet & live entertainment on 2 Decks! - Cash Bar

Friday, August 28, '09

Departs from Weirs Beach, Laconia at 6:45pm (sharp!)

\$47/pp Reserve your tickets now! ricks@signsnh.com or call: 868-9200



from Jerome Holden

Along with the warm breezes
of the summer, comes another
hazard of the sign business...

... POISON OAK, IVY AND SUMAC - yikes!

I don't know about your area of the state, but every time I have to dig a hole or install a sign in the summer,
there is sure to be Poison Ivy. It happens 80 to 90% of the time. Even if you can't see it, the roots could be
there. It doesn't seem to matter what time of year it is either.

We here at JC Signs try to wear gloves and long sleeve shirts, but sometimes, it is just too hot for that. Trying not
to touch the dirt around these pesky plants can be just as hazardous when trying to remove rocks and such.
Washing with strong soap and water at least three times in the affected area can help, but now we have found a
product that KILLS the OILS if applied within 2-8 hours after exposure... it is called "Tecnu" from Oak-N-Ivy
Brand, Tec Labs. It removes Poison Oak and Ivy Oils that cause the rash and itching, it stops the irritant from
spreading, it decontaminates laundry, pets and tools too. It is packaged in a 4oz white bottle and can be
purchased at Walgreens or other similar pharmacies. There is also a Poison Ivy preventative called "CalaGel"
from the same company. It is a protectant and topical analgesic, packaged in a clear 6oz bottle. Both of these
products work great!

... I don't usually advocate a particular product, but couldn't resist telling you about these.
Now you don't have to deal with 2 weeks of itching, scratching and oozing every time you see Poison Ivy!
HAPPY SUMMER!!!

FROM THE NHSA PRESIDENT

The summer is always a busy time for the sign business. People who hibernated all winter long see grass growing and think, "oh ya, I need a sign for the season". Where were they in February? - here comes the summer RUSH!

Looking ahead to great presentations and events for the NHSA this summer; plan to join us June 17 at Alexander's Restaurant in Rollinsford for an informative demo by HART Supply and SloanLED, then we visit Barlo Signs, Aug. 5 and get a glimpse into large format vinyl printers as presented by Graphic Resources Systems and new finishes to formed letters from Gemini Letters, and of course there's the Cruise on the Mt. Washington, Aug. 28 for a social night of relaxing, beautiful scenery and good food with your fellow sign makers. Purchase your tickets early!

Between all the fun is the business of addressing the **sign codes restrictions** in local towns and informing the public. New on the table, is a discussion of an adjunct association for **sign users** in this state - voting on the new name will be June 17th. Empowering businesses to have a voice with their sign choices as supported by sign makers across the state is vital to the local economy.

Renewal of **NHSA memberships** will be out in your mailbox soon with the new fiscal year beginning July 1st. Consider becoming more active in the association by opening up your sign shop as a meeting location this fall. Educational guest speakers on product and technique are always welcome - give Rick a call if you have a topic of interest you'd like to share with fellow sign makers.

NHSA needs to fill positions...

Want to take a more active role in this NH Sign Association? We are in need of a **Secretary** to handle taking the minutes at the board meetings (Nope, you don't need to be *female* to fulfill this much needed role).

We are also looking for chairs to head each of the following committees: **Events, Membership and Historian/Librarian** to host a lending library. If you can help out in any way, contact Exec. Director Rick Szilagyi, (603) 868-9200 or email ricks@signsnh.com to be directly involved.

See you June 17th!
regards,

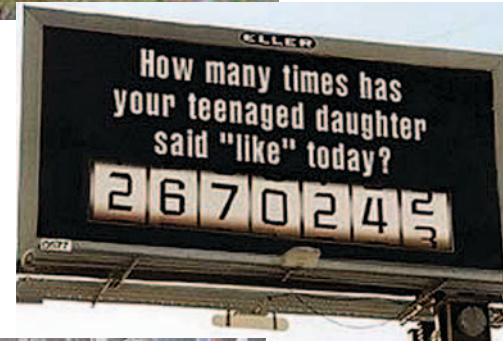
Jerome Holden

RANDOM ACTS OF SIGNAGE ...



Send us
your found
sign pics,

for a grin
and
giggle...



or for
creative
inspiration!

Reflections from the Spring meeting...

from Rick Szilagyi



On the evening of April 8th, Clay Prewitt and the rest of his Custom Banner & Media team, hosted and provided a tour of their new facility located at 184 Milton Road in Rochester, NH. The tour included a demonstration of a heat press showing how dye-sublimation is performed. Some transfers were run, and samples were shared with the group. Both single-sided and double-sided mirror-image flag transfers were done, plus much more.

Dinner was graciously provided by Custom Banner then we moved onto the meeting portion of the

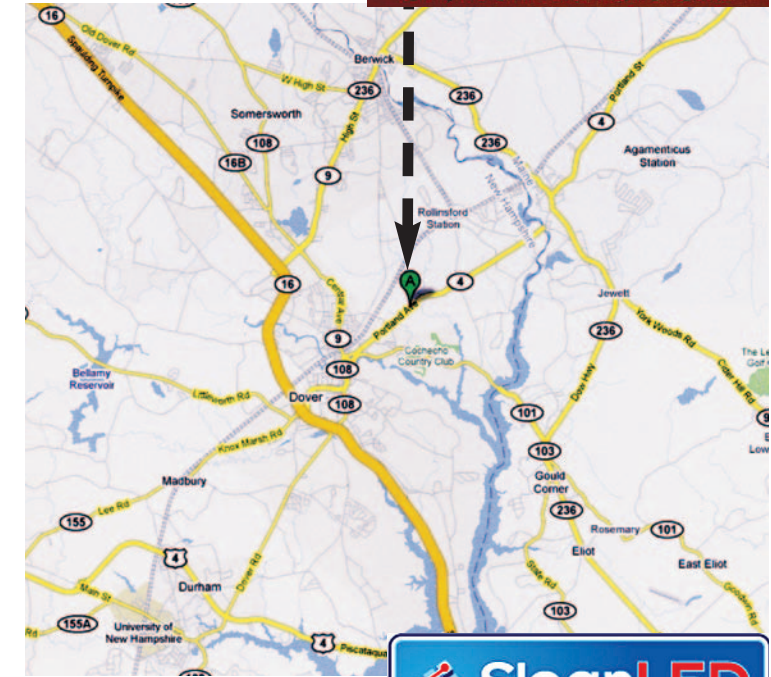
evening. Discussions included the need to fill an open Board seat for Secretary, growing membership, electronic communication to members and the efforts to establish a "Sign Users Group" as an adjunct to our association. Diverse conversation and great topics came to the table.

Thank you to Clay Prewitt for providing a fantastic forum and welcoming us to his location.

Be sure to attend the June meeting (see next article >>>>>) and get involved with YOUR sign association.

June 17th NHSA mtg. - PLAN TO ATTEND

Alexander's
ITALIAN RESTAURANT
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Serving the best in Italian cuisine since 1980



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The next meeting will be held at Alexander's Italian Restaurant 489 Portland Ave. in Rollinsford (see map) at 7:00pm.

... (Mike Leary says it is the best Italian food around!)

Brian Connolly from **HART SUPPLY** and Ken Davis from **SloanLED** will be our guest speakers and we will hear a presentation on the applications of LED products in the sign business.

Please reply by June 15 directly to Exec. Director Rick Szilagyi, (603) 868-9200 or email ricks@signsnh.com if you plan to attend.

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