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News of the Month

The Old Spaghetti Factory Announces a Major Rollback in Prices!



The Old Spaghetti Factory is celebrating 20 years in Concord! This charming family restaurant is saying thank you to its customers by throwing a 20th Anniversary Celebration this month. Come for dinner between 4:00 - 10:00 p.m. on Monday, August 23rd and Tuesday, August 24th to enjoy food at special menu prices that have not been seen since 1990.

For more information about The Old Spaghetti Factory's anniversary celebration, stop by the restaurant at 1955 Mt. Diablo Street in Concord or call: 925-687-5030.

Concord on the Green Event

Calling all Green businesses! All Concord businesses that offer green products or services should consider participating in the "Concord on the Green" Event next month. This yearly showcase event will be held on Thursday, September 16th from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Todos Santos Plaza.



For more information or to register go to www.concordchamber.com or call the Chamber of Commerce at 925-685-1181.

Tips of the Month

SBA Rolls out Improved Loan Program for Small Businesses



Small business owners in Concord may be eligible for up to 90% financing for their business needs. The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has recently enhanced its loan program for small businesses, and Sonoma Bank is one of a few local institutions identified as a Preferred Lender with the SBA and dedicated to serving the East Bay community. The Preferred Lenders Program (PLP) is the highest designation the SBA can award to a bank and this indicates SBA loan

decisions can be quickly and independently made, in order to better serve their clients. Sonoma Bank is located at 1900 Grant Street in downtown Concord. For more information call this branch at: 925-521-9922.

Small Business Seminar

The Federal Technology Center (FTC), in cooperation with the Contra Costa County Small Business Development Center (SBDC), will be holding a

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FREE small business seminar for local businesses:

Tuesday, September 14, 2010. 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

"Responding to RFP's (Request for Proposals)"

Contra Costa Small Business Development Center (SBDC)

300 Ellinwood Way

Pleasant Hill, CA 94523

For more information call: 1-888-382-7822 or register online at: www.TheFTC.org

Deal of the Month

Bravo Bistro Now Open!



Bravo Bistro, Concord's newest fine dining restaurant, opened in July at 1050 Contra Costa Boulevard. This is the second venture for Habib Jacifi, owner of Fiore Restaurant on Clayton Road. To celebrate, Bravo Bistro is offering a free crème brulee to all who come in to dine at the restaurant.

This California Italian restaurant is located at the southeast corner of Contra Costa Boulevard and Willow Pass Road (across from Sunvalley Shopping Center). To make reservations call 925-363-4443.

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