



Chamber Highlights

NEW BUSINESS IN CARLISLE

Jen Worthington of Pleasantville opened Flowers Island—a floral and gift shop—last month. She carries fresh arrangements, blooming plants and green plants. Fresh flowers are also available for occasions such as weddings and funerals.

The shop has a display case of fresh flower arrangements and a side room featuring potted plants. A variety of orchids are available, but the best sellers so far have been traditional choices such as roses and mums.

THE CARLISLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE held a Ribbon Cutting ceremony recently for Flowers Island that is located at 260 South 1st Street in Carlisle.

Hours are: Monday-Friday, 9 am - 5 pm and Saturday, 9 am -12 pm.

Everyone is welcome to come see her beautiful display case or you may call ahead for an arrangement at 515.989.3000 or e-mail,

jen@flowersislandfloral.com. Her website is: www.flowersislandfloral.com.

The Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce welcomes Flowers Island to the business community of Carlisle.



New Location for Massage Therapy

Stephanie Brandow, owner and operator of Body Works Massage has recently moved to a new location at 80 Hwy 5. Stephanie specializes in restorative massage that therapeutically balances body mechanics. She does Deep-Sports Massage, Reflexology,

Prenatal Massage, Shiatsu and On-site Chair Massage. Her hours are 8:30 am—8:00 pm, Mon-Fri. Sat is appointment only. Give her a call at 515.710.1004.

Joining Stephanie is Abby Bliss, of Bliss Yoga. Abby provides Wellness Packages that include 10

classes per mo. These are not typical yoga classes, but are Stretch-Fit exercises that are helpful for your body. Mommy & Me Yoga is also available.



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Special points of interest:

- Tuesday, Nov 3rd—ELECTION DAY
- Tuesday, Nov 10th—Regular Chamber meeting—Family Life Center, 405 School St., Carlisle, 12:00 noon
- Tuesday, Nov 17th—Regional Legislative Reception—Wakonda Club, 3915 Fleur Dr, DM, 11:30 am—1:00 pm
- Saturday, Dec 5th—LIGHT UP CARLISLE
- Monday, Dec 7th—Regular Chamber meeting—245 Penn Street, Carlisle, 6:00 p.m.

Recent Addition to Downtown Carlisle

THE CARLISLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE held a Ribbon Cutting ceremony recently following an Open House to celebrate the expansion of a new building for James Oil. This business is currently owned and operated by Virginia and Scott James. But, the James Oil Company had originally been started by Scott's dad, Bob, 62 years ago in 1947. Scott joined his dad in 1978. The new building is located on 110 Garfield in Carlisle and will house the company's vehicles in addition to new business offices.

The Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce and the entire community, congratulates the James' on the construction of this beautiful building in downtown Carlisle.



Pictured are many people who enjoyed the Open House that was presented by Scott, his wife Bev and mother, Ginny.



From left to right are: Joe Butler, Downing Construction Representative, Mayor Ruth Randleman, Kevin Mortimer, Ryan Meierotto, Scott James, David Wright, Scott's mother – Ginny James, Lynda Richards, Larry Watkins and Ethel Lee

Veterans Day

The Carlisle Elementary would like to honor all veterans and active military members in the community. They are hosting an elementary assembly on Tuesday, November 11th, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the Carlisle Elementary Recreational Center



(new gym). They ask that visitors check in at the office and then proceed to the new gym. The students will attend with their class and teacher.

Students can join their guests for the social following the assembly. Refreshments will be provided. Please contact one of

the following before Nov 6th to let them know if you plan to attend. Join them in sharing our American pride!

Rhonda Ray
989-5333
rhonda.ray@carlisle.k12.ia.us

Julie Long
989-5327
julie.long@carlisle.k12.ia.us

Rail Grinding Train



Did you see this train while it was going through Carlisle on October 6th? It was a Pandrol Jackson Rail Grinding train. Rail grinding is used to make the tracks smoother and enable trains to travel faster

along the tracks. If you would like to see the train on video, go to [HTT- Pandrol Jackson rail grinding train on the spine line at Carlisle, IA](http://Pandrol Jackson rail grinding train on the spine line at Carlisle, IA)



Pumpkinfest - recap



Group getting ready for the 1st Annual Fall Harvest Bike Ride to Pickard Park in Indianola. This ride was co-sponsored with the Carlisle Chamber of Commerce, Indianola Parks and Recreation, Indianola Chamber Tourism Committee and the Warren County Economic Development Corporation.



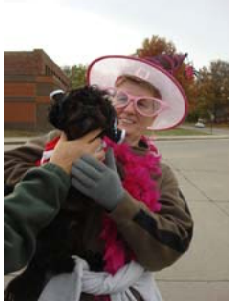
Mary McAdams shared her singing talents with her electrified acoustic folk and traditional Americana music blended with the blues. Peoples Bank sponsored Ms McAdams for this event.



Jason Rosenbaum was the winner with the largest pumpkin weighing in at 149#. The Keeney family came in second with a 120 pounder.



The Trunk or Treat, sponsored by the Great Western Bank, was a hit with the children. Wanda Hunter won first place with her decorated pick-up bed. The Girl Scouts were in second place with their display for the Animal Rescue League.



Everyone had fun at the Costume Parade



Regional Legislative Luncheon

**Carlisle, Indianola, Norwalk,
South Des Moines
Chamber Members**

**Wakonda Club
3915 Fleur Dr.
Des Moines**

**Local legislators
will be available
for any questions
you may have.**

**Tuesday, November 17, 2008
11:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

**RSVP to 515.402.1008
by 11.12.09**

Carlisle Area Chamber Annual Dinner

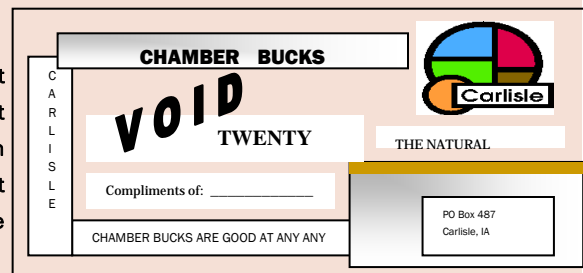
The Annual Dinner for the Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce will be held at the Summerset Winery on Saturday, January 9, 2010. At this time the Citizen of the Year, Business of the Year and Friend of Education will be recognized. Guest Speaker will be a member of the staff from the Iowa Cubs. More information will follow, but put the date on your calendar now!

Chamber Bucks

ATTENTION BUSINESSES

WATCH FOR CHAMBER BUCKS

They are like a gift certificate and can be redeemed at either Great Western or Peoples Bank, so don't turn any away. They are given at various times for various reasons and are valid at any business in Carlisle or Hartford. Several were given as prizes at the recent Pumpkinfest. If you would like to purchase some for employee incentives, call Ethel at 515.402.1008



ELECTION DAY—TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3rd

**DON'T FORGET
TO VOTE TUESDAY**



Light Up Carlisle

Light Up Carlisle will be held on Saturday, Dec 5th. Santa will be arriving on the back of a Fire Truck and will be passing out candy to all the children who stop by to see him between the hours of 6-8 pm. He will be located in the Great Western Bank parking lot at the corner of 1st and School Streets, downtown Carlisle.

The BINGO CARD drawing will also be held again this year. If you would like to have your business printed on the card as participating, please contact Ethel at 515.402.1008. All persons who have their BINGO CARD filled have a chance at a drawing to win Chamber Bucks.



The LUC Committee encourages ALL the downtown businesses to decorate their storefronts for the Christmas Season.

If you have questions or want your business listed on the BINGO CARD, don't forget to call 515.402.1008

November Regular Chamber Meeting

The Regular Chamber meeting for November will be held on Tuesday, November 10th at the Family Life Center, 405 School Street. Jay Byers,

from the Greater Des Moines Partnership, will give an update on the upcoming Legislative issues and concerns for our Region.

This meeting will start at 12:00 noon. Please plan to attend.

December Regular Chamber Meeting

The December Regular Chamber meeting will be held at the Historic Randleman House on MONDAY, December 7th, 6:00 p.m. There will be a charge to attend this meeting to help defray the cost of the meal. More details will be sent to you before that date.

The Historical Society members have come a long way with fixing up this house. If you haven't been inside lately, you will be pleasantly surprised!

This house has great potential to become a Tourist Attraction for anyone who is interested in historic buildings.

We need to show our support to the efforts and dedication of the Society members.

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend an enjoyable meal on MONDAY, Dec 7th at 245 Penn Street.

Greater Des Moines Partnership Upcoming events

Net2Work – Monday, November 2 from 10:00a.m.- Noon at the Des Moines Botanical Center. Do you have a friend or family member who has lost their job? Net2Work is a new networking event to help displaced professionals navigate their way back to employment. This forum provides opportunities to network/make new connections, learn from each other, learn from the “experts”, gain support in a “safe” environment – ultimately resulting in employment in Greater Des Moines. Net2Work will be held every other Monday. There is no charge to attend. Net2Work –is a collaborative of the Greater Des Moines Partnership, Iowa Workforce Development and Right Management. Contact Kathy at 515-286-4950. ****This event is specifically for displaced workers and those seeking employment in the Greater Des Moines area.****

8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at the Des Moines Embassy Club, 801 Grand Ave., 40th floor. Join us for a half-day examination and instruction of business and dining etiquette. Tero's **Outclass Your Competition** workshop will train your staff to take advantage of your most precious competitive assets - your relationships. Participants in the program learn the skills to interact with others such that healthy relationships take center stage. After all, it's less expensive to get business from existing customers than it is to find new ones. Cost is \$135 per person for members, \$155 per person for non-members. Cost includes a four-course meal. **Online registration** available at www.desmoinesmetro.com/events or contact Meg Fitz at mfitz@desmoinesmetro.com or 515-286-4934.

Legislative Kick-Off Lunch, Wednesday, December 9 from 11:30a.m.-1:00p.m.

The Greater Des Moines Partnership will unveil its 2010 state legislative agenda at a luncheon on Wednesday, December 9 at the Des Moines Marriott, 700 Grand Ave., downtown Des Moines. Iowa Senate and House Leadership will provide a preview of the upcoming session, followed by a question and answer session that includes all the regional legislators in attendance. Tickets for the luncheon are \$35 for Partnership investors and regional members, and \$45 for non-members. Online Registration is available at www.desmoinesmetro.com/events Questions? Contact Jessica Maldonado at jmaldonado@desmoinesmetro.com or 515-286-4924.





Successful Worksite Wellness: Trends, Insights and Best Practices, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 7:30-11:00a.m. at the Sheraton West Des Moines, 1800 50th St.

The cost of healthcare is increasingly burdening companies and their employees. Implementing a wellness program within your workplace can not only help reverse and/or prevent most chronic diseases and health issues, but it can increase employee productivity and your bottom line. Join us as we examine the latest trends in wellness, listen to best practices, and learn from the experiences of other organizations that have implemented wellness programs and are reaping the rewards. Cost is \$10 for members of the Greater Des Moines Partnership and Affiliate Chambers; \$20 for non-members. **Online registration** is available at www.desmoinesmetro.com/events. Questions? Contact Meg Fitz at mfitz@desmoinesmetro.com or 515-286-4934.

Outclassing Your Competition - A seminar in business etiquette. – **Thursday, November 19**

LEARN > COMPETE > BUILD > EXPAND > NETWORK > **SCHMOOZE**

Whatever you do, do more of it in Des Moines.

The South Des Moines Chamber of Commerce
invites you to a
REGIONAL Business After Hours,
presented by **AIB College of Business**

Thursday, November 19, 2009
5:00-7:00 P.M.
2500 Fleur Dr., Des Moines
In the City View Diner located in the
Keith Fenton Administration Building

♦ Hors d'oeuvres & beverages will be provided
No Cost for Members to Attend


REGISTRATION FORM
Business After Hours – November 19 / RSVP encouraged by November 12

NAME: _____

BUSINESS: _____


PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

Confirm your attendance plans by email at megan@southdesmoineschamber.com or by phone to the South Des Moines Chamber at 515-333-9779.



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Discover the Chamber

**Letters will be mailed soon for collection of the 2010 Annual Dues.
Please give some thought to increasing your level of membership.
It takes the efforts of everyone to build a GREAT COMMUNITY!**

PLATINUM LEVEL - \$2,500

GOLD LEVEL - \$1,000

SILVER LEVEL—\$500

BRONZE LEVEL - Basic Level + \$100

BASIC LEVEL - \$200

INDIVIDUAL (NO Business Connections), CHURCHES, AND CIVIC ORG - \$125



Chamber Q&A

Why do we need a Chamber of Commerce?

Strong Chambers increase business to business interaction and promote their region. Carlisle area businesses do not have a resource that is specifically focused developing Carlisle commerce. It is vital for Carlisle to be represented along with the other 21 Affiliate Chambers in the region.

What are the benefits of joining the Carlisle Chamber?

The benefits are unlimited from networking with other businesses to promoting your business. There will be social events and leadership training, along with opportunities to interact with elected officials and promote a stronger business climate in the Carlisle area.

What will I receive from joint membership with the Greater Des Moines Partnership?

When you join the Carlisle Chamber you will also become a member of the Greater Des Moines Partnership. In order to continue to receive the benefits of the GDMP it will be necessary to join a chamber. The benefits of the GDMP are focused on marketing and communication, workforce attraction and retention tools, regional public policy efforts and business resources. The Carlisle Chamber will support Carlisle business by assisting with business-to-business networking, leadership support, social activities, and advocacy.

How can I get involved in the Carlisle Chamber?

Contact Ethel Lee at 515-402-1008.

Check Presentation to the Carlisle Music Department

A check was presented recently to the Carlisle School Music Department. A check is presented each year to the School in payment for office space and equipment rental for the Chamber of Commerce.

Pictured from left to right are: Ryan Meierotto, Chamber Treasurer; Alex Dyer, HS Band Instructor; Dr. Mark Gvist, Chamber Board member; Kris Hill, Elementary Vocal Music; Sam Oppel, Middle School Band Instructor; Dan Crum, Secretary and Dr. Tom Lane, Supt.





The Natural Choice



Carlisle Area Chamber of Commerce

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And partnership with
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MISSION STATEMENT

PROMOTING AND ASSISTING NEW AND EXISTING BUSINESSES BY ENCOURAGING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
AND ENHANCING THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE GREATER CARLISLE AREA

List of Chamber Members

PLATINUM MEMBERS:

**Carlisle Comm School
Great Western Bank**

GOLD MEMBERS:

**Mid-American Energy
Peoples Bank**

BRONZE MEMBERS:

**ANCO Mechanical
Insulation
Community State Bank
General Mills**

21st Century Rehab
AJ's Service
Artistic Waste
Avondale Veterinary Healthcare
Bartholomew Construction Co.
Bubba's Washboard
Carlisle Care Center (2)
Carlisle Chiropractic Clinic
Carlisle Citizen
Carlisle Dental
Carlisle Foods
Carlisle Veterinary Clinic
Carlisle VFW Post 2099
Casey's General Store #14
Casey's General Store #1676
Central Iowa Insurance (2)
City of Carlisle (2)
Coldwell Banker, Paula Mahnke
Custom Structures, Inc.
D. Wright Construction, LLC

Datavision, Inc.
Davitt Photo Alliance
Dental Professionals (2)
Edward Jones, Joe Schettler
etc!graphics, Inc.
Family Practice Clinic (2)
Fiss'
Goodhue-Nolte Insurance
Goodhue Realty
Greenwood's Sewer Service
Heartland Co-Op
Hubbell Realty
IAwebsites.com
IMAGES Photography, Lynda Richards
InnovativEvents
Iowa Elevator Systems and Service
Iowa Realty, Dee Smith
Iowa Water Management Corp
James Oil Company
Johnny & Mike's Pizza
Kearney's Restaurant
Kees Camp
Lovejoy's Cake Shoppe
Marble Works, Inc.
Mary Sue's Salon, Wig Boutique & Doll
Orphanage
Medicap Pharmacy
Metro Waste Authority
Moe's Joe Coffee House
Multi-Craft Exterior Consultants
Murphy Tower Service, LLC
My Sister's Place

Ohnemus Construction
Optometric Assoc of Warren Co. P.C.
P & E Engineering Co.
Peglow Art & Design Publishing
Peterson Funeral Home
Record-Herald and Indianola Tribune
Roberts Htg, Cooling and Plumbing
School Street Scholars
Scotch Ridge Vineyard
Snap Fitness
South Park Apartments
Stadium View
Stuyvesant & Benton (2)
Summerset Winery
The Cutting Edge
TMC Auto Body
Watty's
Webb's RV Park
Welch Products, Inc.
Woodhouse and Lee Construction
Wyckoff Industries

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Wright, David
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Holy Cross Lutheran Church
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