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WOODSTOCK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and INDUSTRY

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INTERIORS ANEW CELEBRATES 17 YEARS OF BUSINESS



Congratulations to Interiors Anew, as they commemorate their 17th year of business on the Historic Woodstock Square. For all but the initial few months they have been in the same location at 134 Cass Street.

“We are so proud to celebrate our 17th year in business,” says Addie Burns, one of the founding owners.

“We all look forward to celebrating many many more,” adds Judie Kunzie, Burns’ business partner of 17 years.

The business was founded in 1994 by Kunzie and Burns. Both women were busy raising growing families. They saw a need for a store where shoppers could find furniture and home decorating items that were pretty, in great condition, yet still reasonably priced and affordable. Six other associates rent space and have joined them in their venture. Judy Schmidt has been there since the beginning; Diana Bruhn has been with the venture 16 years and Arlene Polster has been with the venture 10 years. Other associates include Karen Dvorak, 8 years; Linda Hee, 6 years; and their newest member, Desiree Hendle, 2 years.

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FOR LeTip, IT'S ALL IN WHO YOU KNOW

LeTip International, the nation’s premier professional leads organization, continues to thrive in Woodstock, IL.

With 15 members from a variety of business industries, the Woodstock Chapter of LeTip helps build business through personal referrals.

Meeting every Wednesday morning at 7:01 AM at Vaughn’s Restaurant on Route 47 (790 S. Eastwood Drive),



members exchange qualified leads, build solid business relationships, develop strong presentation skills and become proficient networkers.

The key is only one representative of any given profession is accepted into the chapter and members are chosen for their occupational expertise.

Currently, the Woodstock Chapter is searching to fill a number of categories including, but not limited to, Electrician, Plumber, Office Equipment, Travel Agent and more. You are invited to attend and experience why LeTip can help you build business success through personal referrals.

The current 15 membership consists of Tim Oman, Wells Fargo Advisors; Lynn Fiala, Golden Eagle Community Bank, Mark Peloquin, Leading IT Solutions; Dr. David Min, Min Dentistry; Phil Cooper Jr., Rose Farm Paving; Ron Magrini, Aeroforze Heating and Cooling; Rich Toepper, Coldwell Banker Primus Realty; Jerry DuPaw, Home State Mortgage

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UPCOMING EVENTS

MAY '11

- 5/15 Fair Diddley on the Square
10:00 am - 5 pm
- 5/24 Gary Lang Multi Chamber Mixer
5:00 pm
- 5/30 Memorial Day Parade
11:00 am



JUNE '11

- 6/1 Miss Woodstock Pageant Woodstock North High School
7:00 pm
- 6/4 Hearthstone 125th Anniversary Gala Event
6:00 pm
- 6/16 Woodstock Garden Walk
1:00 pm
- 6/23 State of the City Luncheon
Bull Valley Golf Club
11:30 am, \$25 per person

SEIZING MEMBERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

by Shari Gray, Interim Executive Director

Are you a model Chamber member? Do you take pride in your membership and consider yourself a good ambassador for the Woodstock Chamber? Often times we (Chamber staff and board members) get asked what the Chamber has done lately for a member's business. Without sounding like a cliché JFK quote "ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country" I would like to ask what it is that you have done for your Chamber. Are you an active participant in mixers, all member meetings, and committees? Do you embrace the positive and encourage non-members to support your Chamber by becoming a member? If you find yourself answering yes to the majority of these questions, then you are the ultimate Chamber member. There are many of you that I'm proud to say are role models for what you bring to the Woodstock Chamber.

This has been evident over the last few months as I have seen an increase in participation from our committee volunteers to our monthly all member meetings. An active interest in what the Chamber is doing shows me that you are committed to your membership other than writing your annual check for dues. Participation is an indication that you get what it takes to maximize your membership. The Woodstock Chamber takes pride in the diversity of its membership, but it also wants you to take pride in the organization that you belong to.

We encourage you to become involved with the process of strengthening the Chamber and assist us as we continue to move forward. There are many of you who have a lot to offer to our membership, communications or events committees. Additionally, you may not have the time to sit on an individual committee but you may be the perfect ambassador to represent us at different events. As an ambassador, your role would be to promote/support the Woodstock Chamber at various networking opportunities. Some of those opportunities would include multi-Chamber mixers where you would be the designated representative of the Woodstock Chamber at the registration table. Your attendance at these events would be two-fold. Not only would you be there to network for your own business but your presence would be indicative of your role with the Chamber.

The Woodstock Chamber is full of sincere and dedicated members, but our organization still has room for growth. I encourage you to take a look at your membership and evaluate how your involvement can assist the Chamber in maximizing its position within the business community. Please let me or a board member know if you're interested in offering your time and talents to any of the committees within the Chamber. Volunteerism is the backbone of many non-profits and thank you to all of you who have already given unselfishly to the Woodstock Chamber. You are a true testament to all the positive growth that the Chamber has been able to achieve.



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LeTip: It's All in Who You Know - continued from page 1

Group; Rich Haynes, Ron Jarvis and Associates; Phil Nicolosi, Nicolosi Law; John Redmond, Redmond Remodeling; Jim O'Leary, Copy Express; Tim Ring, Landscape Contractor; and David Urbina, Country Financial.

One recent success story involved a client that was moving to the Woodstock area. LeTip was able to refer a Realtor, an attorney, and a home repair contractor. The client was very happy with everyone's service and continues to use many of LeTip's members.

"Our chapter of professionals really becomes like family," explains LeTip chapter president Tim Oman. "We work only

with top professionals that we know we can trust and refer with confidence."

LeTip has operated in Woodstock for almost three years, and has been a member of the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce for two years.

"We enjoy the networking events with an opportunity to meet new businesses in the community," reflects Oman of LeTip's involvement with the Chamber.

For more information, visit www.LeTip.com, call the Woodstock LeTip chapter president, Tim Oman at 847-217-7034, or email to toman@ripco.com. See you at LeTip!

THE BENEFITS OF MENTORING

By Todd Kinker, Board President



Is it just me or has anyone else noticed that with all the recent advancements in technology, along with 24 hour access to resources, information and accessibility, that some of the proven old school business models are falling by the wayside?

Don't misinterpret what I'm saying, I'm all for convenience and time savings, but in today's business climate, we often find ourselves multitasking, focused on meeting deadlines, while simultaneously juggling phone calls, emails and digesting as much information as possible. I'm sure we've all had days where we look back and ask, "What did I actually accomplish today"?

It's no wonder that one of the most valuable business techniques, the art of mentoring has lost its place in today's workplace. I bring this up because at our Strategic planning session, recently completed by the Chamber board, the subject of mentoring was discussed in great length.

The word mentor is defined by dictionary.com as, "a wise and trusted counselor or teacher". This person is someone with extensive experience and unique talents who is also willing to share their expertise with you on a consistent basis. It is similar to a teacher-student relationship where you have the benefit of one on one tutoring.

Looking back on my professional career there were 3 mentors that taught me various skills that I continue to use on a daily basis. Most importantly, how to talk to someone I have never met before and being able to communicate a benefit statement about my company or business.

The rewards of a mentorship program as it relates to the Chamber of Commerce is as follows, it is an opportunity for you to introduce a member of your business to the essential skill of networking. Let's not assume that everybody knows how to or is comfortable doing this. Next, by having more representatives at a function, it allows you to talk to more people, make additional contacts, and start building relationships. It could also lead to joining a committee where the unique talents of the individual can be further utilized. All this leads to a win for the employee, a win for the employer and a stronger Chamber of Commerce.

You can start a program with these 3 simple steps:

1. Identify a target-Select one specific area you want to improve.
2. Select your mentor candidate or candidates-Someone within your business that has leadership skills or a special talent.
3. Create your plan.

In conclusion, as an employer or mentor you are developing the most important resource you have, people.

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Interiors Anew Celebrates 17 years - continued from page 1

Interiors Anew, known as an upscale resale shop, sells antiques, collectibles, furniture, gifts, jewelry, and decorating items. Many have been recycled, repurposed, or redesigned. One may find anything from a shelf crafted out of barn wood, a lovely marble topped Victorian dresser, or a vintage chest of drawers painted shabby chic style.

Many customers return often, and there are some who visit daily. With eight associates bringing in merchandise, new items arrive every day. Customers are full of compliments "We love this store, it's one of our favorites", "Most of my home is decorated with items from Interiors Anew," and "You never know what treasures you'll find in here!"

The ladies at Interiors Anew love their location on the Woodstock Square. They enjoy being a part of the many events and activities for which people visit the square, including the Farmer's Market, Fair Diddley, Victorian Christmas, and countless others.

The shop is open seven days a week, except for major holidays. The proprietors consider this to be a factor in their continued success. Another factor is their ever-changing inventory that includes furniture, lamps, prints, art, glassware, ceramics, dishes, flower arrangements, mirrors, rugs, linens, jewelry, and new gift items.

In the end, the success of Interiors Anew comes down to a loyal customer base. "We have a great clientele that has followed us for 17 years," says associate Dvorak.

Interiors Anew is open Monday through Saturday, 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM; and Sundays from 11:00 AM – 4:00 PM.

For more information please call (815) 337-9131 or visit the store at 134 Cass Street.

MISS WOODSTOCK IS ON THE HORIZON

by Rikki Lee Travolta, Communications Coordinator

April was an exciting month for the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce & Industry. Along with Centegra Health System, we produced the 2011 McHenry County Business Showcase – which was deemed a resounding success with 48 area businesses on display for over 500 potential customers.

Next up on the event horizon is the 2011 Miss Woodstock scholarship pageant. More than just a pretty face, Miss Woodstock must demonstrate true commitment and grace as she represents the City of Woodstock and the Woodstock Chamber at community and chamber events throughout her year reign.

For this year’s Miss Woodstock event, we have an incredible field of 13 contestants, over double the field from last year’s pageant. After a May filled with rehearsals, the pageant will take place Wednesday, June 1, at 7:00 PM at Woodstock North High School.

As with prior years, each contestant is sponsored by a local member of the Woodstock Business Community through the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce & Industry.

This year’s parade of contestants includes:

- Michelle Aggacid sponsored by Mercy Health System
- Kayla Alegre sponsored by Prudential First Realty
- Kelly Berger sponsored by Offsides Sports Bar & Grill
- Angelina Coronado sponsored by Apple Creek Flowers
- Clare Dhom sponsored by the Woodstock Recreation Center
- Kassie Fortin sponsored by Lionheart Engineering
- Katelyn Frisby sponsored by Nierman Landscape & Design
- Jessica Jandernoa sponsored by the Woodstock Public House
- Olivia Morrissey sponsored by Golden Eagle Community Bank
- Emily Polster sponsored by Interiors Anew
- Jenna Redemski sponsored by Studio 2015 Jewelers
- Bethany Rosner sponsored by Back On Track Chiropractic
- Kylie Tennesen-Porter sponsored by Land Keepers



63rd Annual



Contestants will be judged in five categories – Individual Interviews, On Stage Question, Evening Gown, Sponsor Speech Segment, and Active Wear.

The winner of the Miss Woodstock scholarship pageant will receive a \$2,000 educational scholarship (If Miss Woodstock 2011 chooses not to pursue continuing education, a \$2,000 savings bond will then be awarded).

The First Runner-Up will receive a \$1,000 savings bond; the Second Runner-Up receives a \$500 savings bond. There are also awards for Miss Congeniality, Miss Photogenic, and an optional Talent Scholarship.

We wish each of the well-qualified contestants the best of luck, and a special thanks to all the sponsoring companies.

It should be a great event!

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Woodstock North High School

CHAMBER NEWS

MCHENRY COUNTY BUSINESS SHOWCASE DRAWS 500 VISITORS

The 2011 McHenry County Business Showcase, produced by Centegra Health System and the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce, proved a resounding success.

Over 500 potential customers visited the 48 businesses represented at the Showcase.



“We had a great turnout, both in terms of the number of businesses showcasing their products and services, and the number of visitors that showed up for the event,” says Chamber Interim Executive Director Shari Gray. “This was a definite win-win for both consumers and businesses”.

To help draw attendance to the event, the Chamber produced a family-friendly McHenry County Idol singing competition for kids and also gave away over \$1,000 worth of raffle prizes.

The McHenry County Business Showcase took place April 16 from 10:00 AM until 4:00 PM at McHenry County College.

“We are thrilled with the strong support the community showed for the businesses that displayed at the McHenry County Business Showcase and look forward to building on that success next year,” says Gray.



Centegra was one of the sponsors of the McHenry Business Showcase



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Woodstock Theater

three age groups: 10 and under, 11-14, and 15-18.

The winner in the 10 and under category was 10-year-old Nicole Schramel of Woodstock, who sang an a cappella version of “The Climb”. The runner up in the same age bracket was Kaitlyn Cardona of Huntley who performed a stellar



WOODSTOCK CHAMBER CROWNS THREE MCHENRY COUNTY IDOLS

To help draw attendance to the 2011 McHenry County Business Showcase, the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce & Industry produced its first ever McHenry County Idol singing competition for youths up to age 18.

The event, held at McHenry County College on April 16, was a dynamic success – drawing a family audience to the Business Showcase and shining the spotlight on some really great local talent.

This year’s Idol winners were awarded in



Contestants Line Up to Perform at the McHenry County Idol Competition

rendition of “Firework”.

In the 11-14 age group, the winner was 14-year-old Lena Burke of Crystal Lake who wowed the judges with a sparkling performance of the song “Good Morning Baltimore” from the Broadway musical *Hairspray*. Runner up Hanna Leclair, a 13-year-old from Johnsburg, delighted the audience with a powerful rendition



Centegra was one of the sponsors of the McHenry Business Showcase



Winners of McHenry County Idol Contest



Contestants line up for their chance to sing

of "I Have Nothing".

Eighteen year old Nicole Caley of Wonder Lake won the 15-18 age bracket with a stunning vocal performance of the song "Stay." Finishing on her heels was 16-year-old Tricia Wellov, who sang



A young contestant sings for the judges

"We Belong".

A panel of four judges from McHenry County's oldest community theatre, the TownSquare Players, gave positive reinforcement to each of the contestants – making sure each competitor finished with a smile on their face.

"We are thrilled that we had the opportunity to recognize some of the tremendous talent that resides in McHenry County, and that the McHenry County Idol event helped make the 2011 McHenry County Business Showcase a success," says Interim Executive Director Shari Gray.

In addition to earning the title of McHenry County Idol, winners in each age bracket walked away with \$200 in cash. Runners up in each age group received \$100.

NO PARKING PLEASE

One of the benefits of doing business on the Historic Woodstock Square is the convenience to customers of having all these wonderful shops to patron in one central location.

However, that convenience is lost on customers when there is nowhere to park. Please be conscious that if we as businesses park on the Square, it takes away from our ability to serve our potential customers.

Instead, the Chamber recommends that you park in one of the off-Square lots that are in convenient walking distance. Your customers will appreciate it!

MAIN STAY TO HOST "A NIGHT IN THE MUSEUM"

Main Stay Therapeutic Riding Program will celebrate 24 years of helping people with disabilities reclaim their lives through the healing powers of the horse at its annual Black Tie & Blue Jeans event on Friday, May 6th from 5:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at Donley's Wild West Town in Union, Illinois.

The evening, entitled "A Night in the Museum", will begin with appetizers and cocktails in Donley's Wild West Museum which boasts the rarest collection of Thomas Edison artifacts along with an extensive collection of cowboy and civil war memorabilia. Following the museum, guests will be treated to dinner and an evening of gambling and music provided by Denny Diamond and the Family Jewels. The Honorable Dr. Brian Sager will emcee the evening which will also include raffle prizes and a silent auction. Tickets are \$60.00 per



person and are available by calling 815-653-9374.

Proceeds from the event will benefit Main Stay Therapeutic Riding Program, a non-profit organization, located in Richmond, Illinois. The organization is dedicated to providing equine-related therapeutic activities to children and adults with special needs. With the assistance of more than 125 volunteers, each week Main Stay serves an average of 85 students with physical, developmental, emotional and social disabilities. Main Stay is a Premier accredited center of NARHA (North American Riding for the Handicapped Association).

For event tickets or sponsorship information please call Main Stay at 815-653-9374 or see their website at www.mstrp.org.

A MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND SHE IS SURE TO REMEMBER

Mother's Day weekend, May 6th through the 8th, is the perfect opportunity to spoil the Mom in your life. Why not join Adult & Child Therapy Services in their Mother's Day weekend events?

The Woodstock Dairy Queen, located at 310 Washington St., is donating \$0.50 of any size Blizzard purchased to Adult & Child Therapy Services. Chocolate Chip Cookie Dough and a happy Mom, you'll be her favorite for sure. Drive Mom over to Dairy Queen for a sweet treat to show her you care.

And if ice cream isn't Mom's thing, bring her to The Growing Scene, Inc. Located at 17015 Harmony Rd. in Marengo, The Growing Scene has annuals, perennials, shrubs, trees, and more. They will be donating 10% of your total purchase to Adult & Child Therapy Services when you present the flyer. Plant a tree or blooming perennial in Mom's yard to remind her year after year that she is loved.

It's a weekend of flowers and chocolate for Mom, and a weekend of you looking prepared for Mother's Day. What's not to love?

To pick up your Growing Scene flyer or for more information please call Adult & Child Therapy Services at (815) 338-1707 or visit them online at adulthoodtherapy.org.

ART ON THE SQUARE

Marian Central Catholic High School is proud to present their 2011 Art Show at the Old Courthouse Art Center on the Woodstock Square. The show runs from Thursday, May 5 – Sunday, May 15 and features the work of Marian students. Gallery hours are Thursday-Saturday from 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM and Sundays from 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM. A student reception will be held on Thursday, May 6 from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM.

The exhibit will showcase an array of exceptional two- and three-dimensional work including paintings, drawings, and water colors as well as pottery, photography and more from Marian's talented students, according to Art teacher Erin Widmayer.

The exhibit is free and open to the public.

For additional information, please contact Erin Widmayer, Art Department Head at Marian Central Catholic High School, at (815) 338-4220, ext 216 or via email at ewidmayer@marian.com or by calling the Old Courthouse Art Center at (815) 338-4525.

GOLDEN EAGLE COMMUNITY BANK COMMUNITY SHRED EVENT

Golden Eagle Community Bank will be hosting its third annual Community Shred Event

The event will be held Saturday May 21st in the Golden Eagle parking lot located at 975 Country Club Rd. (the northeast corner of Rt. 47 and Country Club Rd.) in Woodstock. Shredding hours will be from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and the event open to the public. The public is encouraged to bring boxes of papers to be shredded by **Ameri-Shred** on site document destruction.

There is a limit of four (4) boxes per car and should contain paper only.

Although this event is free, Golden Eagle Community Bank is asking for help to replenish the **Woodstock Food Pantry**. Please bring non-perishable food items or a cash donation.

Shred discarded documents, including preapproved credit card applications, bank statements, store receipts and utility bills. Identity thieves can gain access to your personal information if such

items are thrown in the trash.

For information on the Community Shred Event, call Golden Eagle Community Bank at 815-321-5000.

Gary Lang Imports
Gary Lang invites you to our
GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION AND ANNUAL CHAMBER MIXER
May 24th, 2011 5:00p.m.-7:00p.m.
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CHAMBERS INVITED:

McHenry Algonquin-LITH	Cary Grove Crystal Lake Wonder Lake	Richmond-Spring Grove Woodstock
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Logos for GMAC, Chrysler, and other partners are shown at the bottom.

The Woodstock Chamber of Commerce & Industry will take part in a multi-chamber mixer hosted by Gary Lang Auto Group on Tuesday, May 24, from 5:00-7:00 PM. The mixer also will serve as a Grand Opening celebration of Gary Lang Imports, located next door to Gary Lang's existing facility at 1107 S. Route 31 in McHenry.

MCHEMRY COUNTY MEMORIAL PARK PRESENTS MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY

On Monday, May 30, McHenry County Memorial Park will present a Memorial Day Ceremony at its beautiful Veteran Field of Honor (11301 Lake Avenue - Rt. 14 across from Culver's). Service will begin following Woodstock's Memorial Day Parade.

In conjunction with the Memorial Day Ceremony, McHenry County Memorial Park will be offering complimentary space in select sections with the purchase of one. Offer is limited to Pre-Arrangements only, through June 5, 2011.

Pre-Arrangement is the bet traditions of free choice. It is the answer to lower costs of burial and - equally important - helps lessen the impact of bereavement on the living. Pre-Arrangement saves your life insurance for what it is really meant for, to maintain a comfortable living for your loved ones after your time of passing. It is an investment in the intangible - human values, security, and peace of mind.

For additional details or to speak with a McHenry County Memorial Park Counselor, call (815) 338-1320.

TOWN SQUARE PLAYERS BATTLING FINANCIAL CRISIS

McHenry County's oldest community theater group, TownSquare Players, Inc., is struggling to stay alive.

TownSquare Players (TSP), which has been a mainstay of culture in the county since it was founded 43 years ago, has been hard-hit by the economy, according to TSP President Paul Lockwood. "The costs associated with our productions have stayed the same or increased in recent years, while the number of attendees and amount of donations have fallen," Lockwood says. "That combination of factors finally brought us to this point - with our checking and savings accounts depleted."

TSP produces two shows a season at the Woodstock Opera House and has also produced musicals at Rauh Center for the Arts in Crystal Lake in the past. The Opera House productions are part of a theater season shared with the Woodstock Musical Theatre Company.

TSP board members are embarking on a number of efforts to increase revenue and decrease future expenses without having a significant effect on the quality of its productions. A possible late summer fundraiser; increased grant applications; and reduced, waived, or deferred fees are among the tactics being pursued.



For the short term, TSP is appealing to the public – both citizens and businesses – to seriously consider making a tax-deductible donation to the not-for-profit before the end of June. The TSPrestige program for charitable giving has existed for several years; donors of \$5 or

more are acknowledged in the printed programs for next season's TSP shows. Checks made out to TownSquare Players can be sent to TSPrestige, c/o TSP, P.O. Box 513, Woodstock, IL 60098.

"Businesses and individuals who value the benefits TSP provides to the quality of life in McHenry County need to step forward now," Lockwood says. "A year from now may well be too late."

For additional information, contact Paul Lockwood at 815-337-0467 or paul@tspinc.org.

A NEW WEBSITE FOR A NEW NAME

Adult & Child Therapy Services has a new website to match their new name.

Adult & Child Therapy Services, formally Adult & Child Rehab Center, officially changed their name in October of this year. The new website features information on the name change and facility history, their staff, their services and events. Including multiple videos, Pay Pal and credit card options for making donations directly online, this website is ready to serve the needs of McHenry County residents.

Whether clients and community members are interested in volunteering for Adult & Child Therapy's upcoming events, would like to make a donation, or would just like to know more about who ACTS is and what they do, log onto www.adultchildtherapy.org.

Cindi Carrigan of Carrigan Design created and designed the center's colorful, new online look. Adult & Child Therapy would like to thank her for her creativity, craftsmanship and design.

For more information or to make a contribution, call Adult & Child Therapy Services at (815) 338-1707 or visit www.adultchildtherapy.org.

HEARTHSTONE AND CENTEGRA TO CO-HOST SENIOR FAIR

Hearthstone Communities is pleased to announce that Hearthstone and Centegra Health System will co-host the Hearthstone Senior Fair. Going forward, the fair will be called the Hearstone-Centegra Senior Fair. The fair, a McHenry County tradition, will be held on Wednesday, August 10 from 10am to 2pm at McHenry County College. The fair is an expo of services, products, information and wellness geared toward those ages 50 and older, as well as a day of fun and entertainment. Centegra Health System, Mercy Health System, Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital and other medical professionals will provide wellness information and no-cost or low-cost screenings. Additional fair activities include music by the Vito Buffalo Orchestra, free lunch (while supplies last), bingo and an expo of more than 70 businesses, government and non-profit organizations with information for seniors and their loved ones. After paying the \$ 1 admission, all fair activities are free. Watch for more information and discount coupons as the date gets closer.

The fair creates an opportunity for exhibitors who provide products and services for the senior population to meet face-to-face with more than 1,500 targeted consumers in one day. Booth space starts at \$275. For more details, contact Deb Rabine at 815-321-4039.

HEALTHCARE COMPLIANCE CERTIFICATION RECEIVED

Kemberly Dailey-Johnson, MS, CHC; the Director of Quality Assurance and Compliance at Pioneer Center for Human Service was recently certified in healthcare compliance by the Health Care Compliance Association. This national association exists to champion ethical practice and compliance standards and to provide the necessary resources for ethics and compliance professionals. A leader in its field, Pioneer Center is one of the few Illinois human service organizations that dedicate resources to a full time quality assurance and compliance staff person. Kemberly began her career with Pioneer Center in 2000 as the Director of Community Services for Individuals with Developmental

Disabilities. In 2006, she was promoted to the Director of Quality Assurance and Compliance. Her position and this certification is integral to the organization as it allows Pioneer Center to maintain a high standard of quality services ensuring continued funding for Medicaid Programs offered across its divisions.



Annually, Pioneer Center delivers direct services to more than 2,500 individuals in McHenry County. The organization also provides education and outreach to schools and community organizations reaching over 10,000 additional individuals. Pioneer Center delivers community-based services in the areas of: McHenry County PADS, Youth Service Bureau, Autism Services, Developmental Disabilities, Mental Illness, Traumatic Brain Injury and VOICE Sexual Assault. To learn more, visit pioneercenter.org or call 815.344.1230.

MCGONIGLE TAKES THE REIGNS AT HAHS

The Hooved Animal Humane Society (HAHS) is proud to announce the appointment of its new executive director, Tracy A. McGonigle, Esq.



A seemingly perfect fit for the organization, McGonigle, a life-long horse owner and rider, has been an attorney for eighteen years, specializing in animal law for over nine years. During her legal career, she has lectured on animal law at top universities and institutions in Illinois, as well as served as an approved humane/equine investigator and legislative liaison for animal welfare legislation.

Additionally, McGonigle has run her own law firm for the past two and a half years, focusing on animal law, commercial litigation and real estate. She is a

past chairperson and current legislative liaison of the Animal Law Committee of the Chicago Bar Association, as well as a member of and lecturer for the Animal Law Committee of the Illinois State Bar Association.

"I am looking forward to the opportunity to help animals on a larger scale, in a hands-on fashion, in addition to a case-by-case basis," says McGonigle. "I am eager to combine my legal, legislative and managerial skills with my passion for horses."

As HAHS marks its 40th anniversary this year, it's a good time to have a new executive director on board who can guide the organization through future legislation using her legal expertise and background in animal rights. To celebrate this milestone, HAHS's 40th Anniversary Dinner and Auction will be held Saturday, May 21 from 5 to 9 pm at Donley's Wild West Town in Union, Illinois. Donations are being requested for auction items and gift cards, and all are invited to attend.

National in scope, HAHS is a 501(c)(3) organization which promotes the humane treatment of hooved animals through education, legislation, investigation and intervention. Headquartered in Woodstock, Illinois with rescue volunteers licensed by the State of Illinois, the organization has saved, rehabilitated and given safe homes to thousands of horses throughout its 40 years. Join volunteers, donors, staff and board members to make a difference in the lives of animals and humans by supporting Hooved Animal Humane Society.

For more information, call 815.337.5563 or visit www.hahs.org.

ILLINOIS ALLIANCE INSURANCE NAMED TOP 10 GROWTH AGENCY

Auto-Owners Insurance is pleased to announce Illinois Alliance Insurance Agency, Inc., of Marengo, Illinois, has been named one of the Top 10 growth agencies for the company in the state of Illinois for 2010.

Illinois Alliance Insurance, a member of the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce & Industry, was recognized at a luncheon meeting in Peoria, and at a reception with all regional associates, where they and other recipients were presented with a plaque commemorat-

ing their accomplishment.

Illinois Alliance Insurance Agency, Inc. has represented Auto-Owners since 2009.

Jeff Tagsold, president of Auto-Owners, thanked the agency for its support and its business, stating, "Their growth and support only help to make the entire community stronger and more secure. We are grateful they choose to do business with us."

IT'S TIME FOR ANOTHER SUMMER OF MORNING MOVIE MAGIC AT WOODSTOCK THEATRE!

Wednesday Morning Movie Series Begins June 15th

School's almost out, and Classic Cinemas is bringing back one of the best parts of summer with its Wednesday Morning Movie Series! Each Wednesday morning, from June 15 through August 10, 2011, the Woodstock Theatre (209 Main Street) will present nine family-friendly films for only \$1 per person. The theatre will begin the show each Wednesday at 10 a.m., with doors open at 9 a.m. Movie-goers are encouraged to come early to meet some of your favorite characters and join in fun and games before the movie begins. It's practically magical!

Classic Cinemas takes reservations for groups of 15 or more for the Wednesday Morning Movie Series. The special group rate is just \$4.50 per person (adults and children) and includes admission, Kiddie Combo (a child sized popcorn, soft drink, and fruit snack) and reserved seating. This special package offers a \$1.00 discount on each Kiddie Combo and allows your group to sit together. For more information on group reservations, please visit <http://www.classiccinemas.com/Content.aspx?page=156>.

The Wednesday Morning Movie Series lineup at the Woodstock Theatre consists of:

- June 15: Gulliver's Travels
- June 22: Despicable Me
- June 29: Nanny McPhee Returns
- July 6: Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore
- July 13: Yogi Bear
- July 20: Megamind

July 27: Alpha & Omega

August 3: Shrek Forever After

August 10: Surprise Movie (TBA)

For more information on Classic Cinemas, please visit www.classiccinemas.com.



**GOLDEN EAGLE
COMMUNITY BANK**

P.O. Box 1930, Woodstock, Illinois 60098

March 14, 2011

Dear Fellow Chamber Member,

As you may have heard, the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce and Industry recently experienced an unexpected expense associated with ownership of the building. This unfortunate situation was the result of a broken water pipe that caused substantial flooding and damage that has since been repaired.

Over the past year and a half, the Woodstock Chamber has made tremendous strides to reduce expenses and reinvest your membership dues back into services and programs that provide additional value to you and your business. As with any not for profit, the additional stress on short term cash flow caused by a situation like this, makes it even more challenging for an organization.

To further support the 2010 progress the Chamber has made, Golden Eagle Community Bank has made a \$500 donation towards the cost of the extraordinary repairs. I encourage other business owners to join us in making a contribution towards this unexpected expense in order to allow the Chamber to continue its progress to use member dues for programs to grow, promote local business within the community, and prosper.

Thank you for your consideration to help **OUR** Chamber.

Steven L. Finzel

President & CEO
Golden Eagle Community Bank



CHAMBER OFFERS WEEKLY QUEEN OF HEARTS RAFFLE

The Woodstock Chamber of Commerce & Industry is offering a weekly 50-50 cash raffle open to the entire community. Tickets will be available for \$1 each at the Chamber office and at several member businesses.

To participate, players purchase tickets, fill out their name and telephone number or address and select a number between 1 and 52. The Chamber provides a locked board with 52 numbered envelopes, each containing a different playing card. Each Thursday at 4:30 PM, one ticket will be drawn. If the number on that ticket corresponds to the envelope with the Queen of Hearts in it, that ticket holder wins half of the proceeds from the sales. If the queen is not uncovered, the week's tickets are discarded and the pot continues to grow.

When the number of the selected ticket corresponds to the envelope containing the Ace of Spades; either of the red kings, or the Queen of Diamonds, the ticket holder wins \$20.

Tickets are on sale at the chamber office (136 Cass Street), Coleman and Company (823 Lake Ave), Odd Fellows at the Waverly (214 Main Street), The Other Place (140 Cass Street), Washington Station (14801 Washington Street), and the Woodstock Public House (201 Main Street).

21 OVER 30

Gary Lang Auto Group carries 21 new 2011 vehicle models that get over 30 miles per gallon, per fuelconomy.gov.

"We know how important fuel efficiency is to our customers," stated Dixie Gilmore, VP/GM, "and we want to make sure they know the deep selection of vehicles they can choose from that have great gas mileage. Customers can save hundreds of dollars at the pump each month, just by switching into a more fuel-efficient car."

This list shows the models available, miles-per-gallon and the amount customers will save in gasoline each month:

Model	MPG	Monthly Gas Savings*
Buick LaCrosse	30	Save \$173/mo.
Buick Regal	32	Save \$184/mo.
Chevrolet Aveo	35	Save \$198/mo.
Chevrolet Camaro	30	Save \$173/mo.
Chevrolet Cruze	36	Save \$202/mo.
Chevrolet Cruze Eco	42	Save \$226/mo.
Chevrolet Equinox	32	Save \$184/mo.
Chevrolet Malibu	33	Save \$189/mo.
GMC Terrain	32	Save \$184/mo.
Kia Forte	36	Save \$202/mo.
Kia Forte Eco	37	Save \$206/mo.
Kia Forte Koup	34	Save \$193/mo.
Kia Optima	35	Save \$198/mo.
Kia Rio	36	Save \$202/mo.
Kia Soul	31	Save \$178/mo.
Kia Sportage	31	Save \$178/mo.
Mitsubishi Galant	30	Save \$173/mo.
Mitsubishi Lancer	33	Save \$189/mo.
Mitsubishi Lancer Sportback	32	Save \$184/mo.
Mitsubishi Outlander Sport	31	Save \$178/mo.
Subaru Legacy	31	Save \$178/mo.

*Monthly savings based on current vehicle with 15 mpg driven 15k miles/year with \$4.15/gallon gas. Highway mileage estimates; actual mileage may vary.

Gary Lang Auto Group is on Highway 31, between Crystal Lake and McHenry and has been serving McHenry County for over 28 years. The dealership group carries several makes, including Chevrolet, Buick, GMC, Cadillac, Kia, Mitsubishi and Subaru. Website: <http://www.GaryLangAuto.com>.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS!

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6122 Highland Ln.
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MARCH MIXER

This was a joint mixer held by the Chamber and one of our newest members, Healthy, Wealthy, YOU!

There was a lot of networking going on as our current members learned about some of the recent additions to our Chamber



THANKS TO OUR RENEWING MEMBERS

ANIMAL HOSPITAL OF WOODSTOCK
AUTUMNWOOD APARTMENTS
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WALDEN OAKS APARTMENTS
WILLOW BROOK APARTMENTS
WOODSTOCK FARMERS MARKET
WOODSTOCK THEATRE
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Volunteer Opportunities

If you are interested in volunteering for a committee or have time to lend a hand in the Chamber office, please contact us at 815-338-2436 .

WCCI Mission Statement

As the advocate for the business community, the Woodstock Chamber of Commerce and Industry provides programs and services to ensure a favorable business climate and acts as the vehicle to promote the area's economic and social progress.

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