

Mount Carroll

Chamber of Commerce



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September 2009

Membership: 56

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From the Prez — Laura Miller-DeSpain

I'd like to take this opportunity to personally invite YOU to our membership meeting on Thursday, September 3rd, at the Naaman Diehl Auditorium. This will be the kick-off for our new Chamber year, and we want to see you there. No charge for dinner this month, but we do need you to RSVP. You can call our new 800 number at: 800-244-9594. This is a great time to mingle with old and new friends, learn what the Marketing & Events people have in store for the new year, as well as share your own promotional materials. (We'll have tables set up – bring your goodies!) IF you haven't paid your dues yet, you can do so at the meeting. Know someone who might be interested in learning more about our Chamber? Bring them!!! (But call first.)

Brick Street Saturday (September 5th) is right around the corner, quickly followed by Oktoberfest (October 24th). In between, we'll be enjoying one more Car Cruise (September 19th). The Farmer's Market is going strong and will continue through October. How many shopping days until the Christmas Walk? Remember to check the website at www.mtcarrollil.org regularly for updated information on all Chamber activities, as well as city-wide information. The website, and this newsletter, are opportunities for you to share information. If you have something to add, email Christiene at

admin@mtcarrollil.org or give her a call at 800-244-9594.

Thank you again for being a part of the Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce. I look forward to seeing you on the 3rd.

Need to visit with me? Here's the scoop:

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E-mail: shop@dabluz.com

Board of Directors

Laura Miller-DeSpain—President
dabluz boutique

Mike Lenz—Vice-President
Kallemezoo's

Terrie Miller—Treasurer
H.B. Wilkinson Title Company

Christiene Gable—Secretary
Savanna-Thomson State Bank

Three year Board Members:
Barb Lange: THE National Bank
Bob Hatheway: Shaw's Food Pride

Two year Board Members:
Jeff Davis: Davis Custom Decorators
Tom Cravatta: Area Small Engine

One year Board Members:
Ann Crouse: State Bank of Pearl City
Nancy Tobin: Retired

Karen Davis—Events Coordinator

Christina Rios—Marketing Coordinator
Riverview Center

Sibyl Doty—Past President
THE National Bank

Chamber Member Drive

September 3rd — 6:30 PM

Naaman Diehl Auditorium

Come see what Chamber is all about.

Bring information and/or logo items for your business or organization to display.

Italian Beef Sandwiches

No cost, but please RSVP by

Tuesday, September 1st at 1 PM.

Call 800-244-9594 (Option 1)

or Email: admin@mtcarrollil.org

Mission Statement: The Mt. Carroll Chamber of Commerce is a community organization in partnership with business, tourism and government to further promote economic growth and quality of life in Mt. Carroll.

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 7/28/09 \$7,868.57

	<u>REVENUE</u>
7/31/2009 Dues	\$1,087.50
7/31/2009 Interest	\$0.72
8/4/2009 Dues	\$300.00
8/17/2009 FM Vendor Fee	\$4.00
8/17/2009 Mayfest Wine Glass Refund	\$100.00
8/18/2009 RB Float Cash	\$150.00
8/18/2009 RB Float Sales	\$245.00
8/19/2009 Dues	\$225.00
Subtotal	\$2,112.22

	<u>EXPENSES</u>
7/29/2009 Village Voices	\$357.10
7/29/2009 Sievert's	\$30.00
7/30/2009 Purchase Checks	\$66.86
7/30/2009 Purchase Deposit Slips	\$42.38
8/1/2009 David Alan Badger	\$125.00
8/10/2009 Century Tel	\$35.52
8/10/2009 Shaw's	\$17.96
8/10/2009 Blackhawk Waterways	\$43.35
8/10/2009 Mirror Democrat	\$370.40
8/10/2009 Prairie Advocate	\$144.00
8/10/2009 US Postal Service	\$270.60
8/14/2009 RB Float Cash	\$150.00
8/18/2009 Terrie Miller (reimbursement)	\$29.00
8/18/2009 Christiene Gable (website)	\$150.00
8/20/2009 Prairie Advocate	\$19.50
8/20/2009 Carroll County Review	\$105.00
Subtotal	\$1,956.67

Balance as of 8/20/09 \$8,024.12

Balance in Credit Card Acct \$86.68

Balance in Projects Acct \$1,940.94

Total \$9,965.06

Events Committee

Don't miss this year's **Brick Street Saturday, September 5**. The posters are all around town announcing the exciting activities of this year's event. Randy and Lou are doing a terrific job of pulling all the details together but they need a couple adult volunteers to supervise the high schoolers who are running the kids games. Wouldn't you like to join this energetic and fun loving group? Call Randy 244-5606 at Brick Street Variety to let him know when you can help out. The first one to volunteer gets their choice of times.

Look for another first this year as Tom Cravatta creates our premier **Oktoberfest, Friday and Saturday, October 23 & 24**. Details are still being confirmed. Watch for more information in the coming weeks.

This year's final **Cruise Night** is **Saturday, September 19**. The following people have helped us out in July and August: John & Mary Boelkens, John Pokropinski, Sibyl Doty, Mary Ann Hutchison, Mary Jo Frederick, and Ann Zink.

Thank you all for helping with this ongoing money maker. All funds raised support the Chamber's mission to promote Mount Carroll. Serving root beer floats is an easy way to support our community. If you would

like to get in on the last cruise night of the year, call Barb Lange, 244-9189; or Ann Crouse, 244-8800 to get on the schedule for Sept. 19.

The **2009 Christmas Walk and Christmas Tour of Homes** is coming on **Saturday, December 5**. Think about what you would be able to enjoy doing for this event as you may asked to help. Laura Miller and Karen Davis will be needing all kinds of "Christmas people" to make these events a pleasure for all who wish to participate. Care to don a costume? Roast chestnuts? Serve hot cocoa? Contact Laura, 244-4058 or Karen, 244-5080 to get involved.

Lastly, if you have not yet completed a Chamber **Volunteer Information Sheet**, please do so at the **Chamber's Business After Hours on Thursday, September 3**, or at Brick Street Variety during business hours. This form helps us know what skills and talents are available in our town. It also helps us to plug people in where they would enjoy helping, thereby maximizing our efforts.

Thanks everyone for all your support of Chamber events in the past. As always, please do not hesitate to give me feedback on any event or concern you may have. I can be reached at kadavis40@hotmail.com.

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Visit the Community Calendar online at www.mtcarrollil.org Educational Seminars/ Webinars are also listed under the Community Calendar Heading</p>		<p>1 8 AM—CDC Executive Committee meeting at Team Products</p>	<p>2 6 PM—Friends of the Library meeting at Library</p>	<p>3 6:30 PM—Chamber Member Drive at Naaman Diehl Auditorium</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5 Farmer's Market Brick Street Saturday</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>7 Labor Day</p>	<p>8 8 AM—CDC Executive Committee meeting at Team Products 7:30 PM—Mt Carroll City Council meeting at City Hall</p>	<p>9 8 AM—Marketing Committee meeting at Savannah-Thomson State Bank in Mt. Carroll</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 Farmer's Market</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p>	<p>16 7 PM—HPAC Historic Preservation Advisory Committee meeting at City Hall</p>	<p>17 9:30 AM—Carroll County Board meeting at Courthouse</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19 Farmer's Market 5 PM—Cruise Night in Downtown Mt. Carroll</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21 6 PM—City Committees meeting at City Hall</p>	<p>22 8 AM—CDC Executive Committee meeting 7:30 PM—Mt Carroll City Council meeting at City Hall</p>	<p>23 7:30 AM—Chamber Board meeting at Land of Oz</p>	<p>24 5:30 PM—Carroll County Health Dept Board meeting at Health Dept building</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26 Farmer's Market</p>
<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>October 1 6 PM—Chamber General Membership meeting</p>	<p>October 2</p>	<p>October 3 7 PM—An Evening with Edgar Allan Poe at Metcalf Hall, Campbell Center</p>

**Be a member of the Mt Carroll Chamber of Commerce (renew your membership).
 Dues are \$75 for businesses and \$37.50 for individuals.
 It is NOT necessary to own a business to be a Chamber member.
 Mail to: Mt. Carroll Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 94, Mt. Carroll, IL 61053**

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"We take the time to care."

Past Chamber Ornaments Still Available



Green
Lettering
on Green Mist



Brown
Lettering on
Golden Mist



Red
Lettering
on White



Gold
Lettering on
Tan

Christmas Ornaments

The 2009 Limited Edition Treasured Scenes Ornaments featuring the Pharmacy Center Building are available. Please contact JoAnn Palmer at 244-2343 or stop by Flower Fan-A-See or dabluz boutique.

Some past ornaments are still available; including Lutheran Church, Methodist Church, Colehour Elevator, & Main Street School.

The Friends of the Mount Carroll Public Library will present
An Evening with Edgar Allan Poe, Chilling Tales and Poems

Saturday, October 3, 2009, 7:00 p.m.

Metcalf Hall on the Campbell Center Campus

203 E. Seminary, in Mount Carroll

Richard Hall as Edgar Allan Poe and Steven Hoffmann, narrator, will provide a memorable performance celebrating the poet's life and selected works. Alyssa Nelson, harpist, will provide musical entertainment. Hors d'oeuvres and desserts will be served. A Silent Auction with items donated by generous community individuals and merchants will also be offered.

Cost is \$25.00 per person. Seating is limited. Tickets are available at the Mt. Carroll Township Public Library, and at Mt. Carroll banks: THE National Bank, Savanna-Thomson State Bank and the Mt. Carroll Banking Center, or by calling 1-800-244-9594.

All proceeds from this event will be used for the renovation of the Mount Carroll Township Public Library.

Contact: Anna Gray -- Event Chairperson
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