

Mount Carroll

Chamber of Commerce



Point Rock

Chamber Pot

December 2009

Membership: 72

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From the Prez — Laura Miller-DeSpain

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, and just in time for our Annual Christmas Walk & Tour of Homes. Thank you to the Andersons and their crew for the bandstand, to the Hutchisons and their group for the wreath fluffing, and to Gwen Lowe for donating her time in making much-needed new ribbons. Karen Davis and Cindy Pingatore have garnered 5 homes for the Tour, and the Christmas Walk is shaping up nicely to again include Father Christmas at the Library, Santa at the Senior Center, a vendor/craft fair, bake sales, strolling Dickens characters, a treasure hunt and dray rides. A fun time will be had by all. And I'm helping Santa with his list. If you (or your organization) would like to be included, let me know by November 29th so I can get you on the Santa Stop Here list. I'll need to know how you want your business or organization listed, address & time, and a description of what you're offering during the Christmas walk.

There is no charge to Chamber members. IF you have any questions at all, just let me know -- and here's how:

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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

Laura Miller-DeSpain—Interim
Marketing Coordinator
dabluz boutique

Sibyl Doty—Past President
THE National Bank

Chamber Meeting December 5th — Garden Eatery Come see what Chamber is all about.

Social Time—6 PM

Dinner—6:30 PM

Meeting—7:15 PM

Pork Loin & Potato Dinner

Cost: \$10 per person.

Please RSVP by November 30th at 5 PM.

Call 800-244-9594 (Option 1)

or Email: admin@mtcarrollil.org



Gift Exchange

If you wish to participate,
bring a wrapped gift.

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 10/27/09	\$ 5,943.79	
			REVENUE
10/31/2009	Check Error	\$ 0.06	
10/31/2009	Interest	\$ 0.65	
11/6/2009	Brick Street Saturday Donation	\$ 317.00	
11/6/2009	City Website Maintenance	\$ 900.00	
11/6/2009	Meeting Cash	\$ 75.00	
11/6/2009	Meeting Meals	\$ 150.00	
11/6/2009	Magic Show Ticket Sales	\$ 99.00	
11/6/2009	Lamp Post Signup	\$ 140.00	
11/6/2009	Moring Disposal (Error in Payment)	\$ 32.00	
	Sub-Total	\$ 1,713.71	
			EXPENSE
11/5/2009	Meeting Cash	\$ 75.00	
11/6/2009	Land Of Oz	\$ 160.00	
11/6/2009	City of Mt. Carroll (website)	\$ 184.00	
11/6/2009	Christiene Gable (website)	\$ 450.00	
11/6/2009	Pharmacy Center	\$ 27.87	
11/6/2009	Clinton Herald	\$ 208.88	
11/6/2009	Big John	\$ 386.00	
11/6/2009	WCCI	\$ 100.00	
11/6/2009	CenturyLink	\$ 35.30	
11/6/2009	Sauk Valley News	\$ 128.10	
11/6/2009	Mt. Carroll Home Center	\$ 54.27	
11/15/2009	The Journal Standard	\$ 72.00	
11/15/2009	Mirror Democrat	\$ 222.90	
11/15/2009	Moring Disposal (Refund)	\$ 32.00	
	Sub-Total	\$ 2,136.32	
	Balance as of 11/15/09	\$ 5,521.18	
	Credit Card Account	\$ 96.75	
	Balance in projects account	\$ 1,941.42	
		\$ 7,559.35	

Just a minute... November 2009

Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance:
 President Laura Miller-DeSpain
 Blessing: Bob Hatheway
 Motion to Approve Minutes:
 Mary Ann Hutchison, Anna Gray seconded
 Motion to Approve Treasurer's Report:
 Bob Hatheway, Barb Lange seconded
 Vice-President's Report: Mike Lenz
 Committee Reports:
 *Events: Tour of Homes & Christmas Walk
 *Marketing: Approved for Farmer's Market Grant -
 Thank you Anna Gray & Susan O'Connor
 *CDC
 Old Business: None New Business: None

Stained Glass Shoppe
 Grand Opening
 & Ribbon Cutting

December 5th—10:00 AM
 Downtown Mt. Carroll

December 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 Com- mittee meeting at Team Products 6:30 PM— WCMS Holiday Concert</p>	<p>2 6 PM—Friends of the Library meeting at Library</p>	<p>3 6 PM—Chamber Member Meeting at Land of Oz 6:30 PM—WCPS K & 3rd Holiday Concert</p>	<p>4 6 PM— Pre-School Christmas Early Step Concert</p>	<p>5 Mt. Carroll Christmas Walk & Tour of Homes</p>
6	7	<p>8 8 AM—CDC Executive Com- mittee meeting at Team Products 6:30 PM— WCHS Holiday Concert 7:30 PM— Mt Carroll City Council meeting at City Hall</p>	<p>9 8 AM—Marketing Committee meet- ing at Savanna- Thomson State Bank in Mt. Carroll</p>	<p>10 6:30 PM—WCPS 1st & 2nd Holiday Concert</p>	11	12
13	14	<p>15 6:30 PM—WCIS Holiday Concert</p>	<p>16 7 PM—HPAC Historic Preserva- tion Advisory Committee meeting at City Hall</p>	<p>17 9:30 AM—Carroll County Board meeting at Court- house</p>	18	19
20	<p>21 6 PM—City Committees meeting at City Hall</p>	<p>22 8 AM—CDC Executive Com- mittee meeting 7:30 PM— Mt Carroll City Council meeting at City Hall</p>	23	24	<p>25</p> 	26
27	28	29	<p>30 7:30 AM— Chamber Board meeting at Land of Oz</p>	31	<p>January 1</p> 	<p>January 2</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.
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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.

Events Committee

The year's Tour of Homes is Saturday, December 5, 10am–2pm.

The five homes belong to: Alex & Amy Veith, Ron & Marsha Foltz, Diane Manikowski, Bruce & Penny Lally (the Marlboro house), and Jim & Vivian Eaton. This is a varied tour of new and old homes, and some old homes made new. A special treat will be a performance of Christmas music by Alyssa Nelson on her harp at the Eaton home, 10:30–11:30.

Don't forget, NO photography will be permitted inside the homes

Advance tickets are available at dabluz boutique, local banks and Land of Oz.

Please let Karen Davis (244-5080, kadavis40@hotmail.com) know if you need an invitation to this year's *twilight tour* for retailers, volunteers, and others who are unable to attend, beginning at 6:00pm.

The Christmas Walk is Saturday, December 5. Santa will be at the Senior Center from Noon–3:00pm to visit with children. Complimentary photos with Santa will be available to take home that day. Be sure to take your dray ride and search for the elusive prize in the Treasure Hunt. Merchant specials will abound in the Santa's List found at the Senior Center.

Looking ahead: April brings the *Spring Fling*, *Rummage Through Mount Carroll*, and the *Friends of the Library Quilt Show*.

Be sure to get your event's information to Christiene and to the Marketing Committee as it becomes available. The Calendar of Events and the website need to be current and they can only be that way when we all feed the details to them. Please be sure to be mindful of this very important detail.

Merry
Christmas