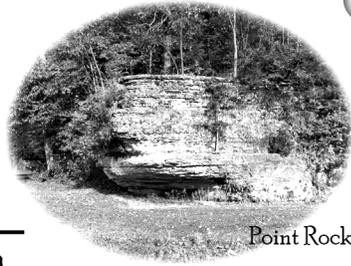


Mount Carroll

Chamber of Commerce



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August 2012

Membership: 56

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Dear Chamber,

July is gone, and hopefully the HOT weather leaves with it. With the summer coming to an end for kids going back to school and all shopping that needs to happen to get your children back in school as well as get your kids back into a routine of getting up early, August will be gone very quickly. I would just like to remind us to shop locally first before we venture out of town. Mt. Carroll has a lot to offer, so please take advantage of what we have first.

September brings Labor Day weekend as well as Brick Street Saturday. Get ready for a fun time that hopefully takes you back to a simpler time. I remember as a kid when Mt. Carroll did the ice cream social and music was played at the court yard band stand. I remember the ping pong drop and the penny hunt. These may seem too simple to some but to a child these are fun activities that last a life time.

October brings Mt. Carroll's Oktoberfest which is always an event that would be missed if the Chamber chose not to host it. We need a chairperson for this event this year. We always have a lot of volunteers for this event to help with the cemetery tours because it is a fun time. YES, you can have fun in the cemetery at night; I just wouldn't suggest doing it by yourself. If you would like to have fun working with a great group of people and be the chairperson for the Oktoberfest event please give me a call. Volunteering does not require prior event references just a heart for Mt. Carroll and its future.

Bob Hatheway
Chamber President

Board of Directors

Bob Hatheway-President: Shaw's
Market

Larry DeSpain-Vice-President:
Hotel Glenview

Sibyl Doty-Treasurer: THE National Bank

Catherine Pokropinski-Secretary

Three year Board Members:

Vacant

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Two year Board Members:

Anna Gray: Good Samaritan Society-
Mount Carroll

Brandt Hutchcraft: Savanna-Thomson
State Bank

Vacant

One year Board Members:

Carol Frey: Land of Oz / Subway

Nancy Tobin

Vacant

Events Coordinator: Laura Miller-DeSpain

Marketing Coordinator: Laura Miller-
DeSpain-dabluz boutique

Laura Miller-DeSpain—Past President
dabluz boutique

Nancy Tobin—Telephones

Chamber General Membership Meeting

September 6, 2012

Oakville Country Club

Social Hour—6:00PM

Dinner—6:30PM

Meeting —7:00PM

Cost: \$10.00

Menu: Ham Loaf, au gratin potatoes, green beans, salad, roll & dessert

Please RSVP by

Monday, September 3rd at 5:00PM

Call 800-244-9594 (Option 1)

Or Email: mcchambersecretary@gmail.com

*The winner of this month's Chamber Bucks Raffle will be drawn
and announced at the meeting.*

Many Thanks!

The Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the Garden Walk committee for this year's fabulous County Garden Walk.

Mission Statement: The Mount 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 Mount Carroll.

July Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 7/1/12 **\$3,341.34**

	REVENUE
07/02/12 Dues	\$ 745.00
07/03/12 Dues	\$ 175.00
07/05/12 Dues	\$ 375.00
07/10/12 Dues	\$ 550.00
07/11/12 Farmer's Market	\$ 100.00
07/12/12 Dues	\$ 250.00
07/13/12 Dues	\$ 150.00
07/17/12 Dues	\$ 75.00
07/17/12 Garden Walk	\$ 5.00
07/18/12 Dues	\$ 250.00
07/01/12 Garden Walk	\$ 600.00
Sub-Total	\$ 3,275.00

	EXPENSES
07/03/12 Mt. Carroll Home Center-Chamber Bucks	\$ 10.00
07/03/12 Pharmacy Center - Chamber Bucks	\$ 5.00
07/11/12 Shaw's- Rootbeer Float Supplies	\$ 31.15
Sub-Total	\$ 46.15

Balance as of July 23, 2012 **\$6,570.19**
Balance in projects account **\$ 43.63**
TOTAL **\$6,613.82**

Mayfest Checking Account **\$9,101.80**
Mayfest Savings Account **\$ 778.30**

Timberlake is hosting an Arts & Music Festival on September 1st and will give FREE wristbands (reg. \$5) to all participating Chamber businesses in exchange for said Chamber businesses offering a promotion to folks showing their wristbands. For example, Chamber is offering a \$1 discount on Root beer Floats. YOU decide what you'd like to offer and I will create a list for handing out at Timberlake. IF you would like to be included on the Brick Street Saturday list for sales/promotions, please fill in the bottom info and return to me BEFORE August 15th.

Name of Business _____

Address of Sale/Event/Promotion _____

Time of Sale/Event/Promotion _____

Description of Sale/Event/Promotion _____

Here's to another wonderful Chamber event J. As always, I appreciate your support!

Laura Miller DeSpain

dabluz boutique

116 E. Market St.

815-244-4058 or 815-244-1630

shop@dabluz.com

August Marketing and Membership Report

Brick Street Saturday, September 1st. Food & Fun downtown. Hoping to fill the courthouse lawn with vendors, games & demos. The Methodist Church has agreed to again offer their Cake Walk. Sidewalk Sales are a good draw. Please consider having one at your business. We need more children's games/crafts/demos. How about a Ping Pong Drop or Duck Pluck???? Ring Toss? Bean Bag Toss? Clothespin Toss? The Chamber will be selling ice cream novelties and rootbeer floats. We have a couple of businesses who have offered to "sponsor" a game, so talk to me if you have an idea....or four.

Octoberfest, Saturday, October 27th. We need a Historic Cemetery Tour coordinator NOW!!! We have a few Chamber members willing to be on a committee. Advertising has already begun so let's do it! Detailed notes are available. Thank you to Nino from Charlie's (one of our newest Chamber members) for agreeing to host a Chili Cook-off that day. And of course, we'll have our decorated lamppost contest. More about that in the September newsletter but get to thinking! And speaking of thinking, any other Octoberfest ideas????

And speaking of thanks, thank you to Penny Lally for agreeing to coordinate our annual Tour of Homes again. IF you would like to be on the tour OR if you can help coordinate, please let Penny know. You can reach her at 815-244-4058 or lally32@yahoo.com. IF you have ideas for the Christmas Walk, please let ME know. I also welcome any one to be on my "team".

Our Marketing Committee is busy preparing ads for both print and website, carefully watching our budget. IF you have suggestions, please join us the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 8:00 am at Market Street Commons. Please email me what's happening in our community so we can get it on our website and to Nancy Tobin (800 number) and Pam Sorg (PR). Thank you to Nancy & Pam for your help!

And speaking of budget, thank you to each and every one of you for joining or renewing your Chamber membership. Please hassle your friend because t really does take a Village!

See ya soon!

Laura Miller DeSpain

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August 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>Visit the Community Calendar online at www.mtcarrollil.org</p>  <p>Become a fan of Mt. Carroll, Illinois</p>			1	2	3	4 8AM-12PM Farmer's Market
5	6	7 8 AM—CDC General Board meeting at the Kraft building 6 PM—Friends of the Library meeting	8 8:00AM- Chamber Market- ing Committee meeting at Market Street Commons	9 Open Mike night at Market Street Commons 6p-9p	10	11 8AM-12PM Farmer's Market
12	13	14 7:30PM City Council meeting	15	16 3rd Thursday Art Walk	17	18 8AM-12PM Farmer's Market Car Cruise
19	20 Game Night at the Commons	21	22	23	24	25 8AM-12PM Farmer's Market
26	27	28 7:30PM City Council meeting	29 7:30 AM— Chamber Board meeting at Land of Oz	30	31	

**Be a member of the Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce (renew your membership).
 Dues are \$75 for businesses and \$25.00 for individuals.
 It is NOT necessary to own a business to be a Chamber member.
 Mail to: Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 94, Mt. Carroll, IL 61053**

Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce

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Mt. Carroll, IL 61053

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E-mail: info@mtcarrollil.org

Web site: www.mtcarrollil.org

"We take the time to care."

Have you been to
Mount Carroll Lately?

Mount Carroll Chamber Events 2012

Farmers Market.....May through October
2012 Cruise Nights.....August 18
Brick Street Saturday.....September 1
2012 Cruise Nights.....September 22
October Happenings.....October
 Lamppost Decorating.....All month
 Chili Cook Off.....
 Cemetery Tour.....October 27
Christmas Walk and Tour of Homes.....December 1

Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce Membership 2012-2013

Jo-Carroll Energy	Charlie's	Schneider House Furniture
Sand Prairie Wireless	John & Thelma Swiech	Moring Disposal Inc
Consolidated Grain And Barge	Kunes Country Auto Group	Dr. David Purlee
John Pokropinski	Ideas 'N Designs	Good Samaritan Society-Mt. Carroll
Catherine Pokropinski	Sisler Construction Inc	City of Mount Carroll
dabluz boutique	Land of Oz	Sievert's Steak 'N Stuff
Shops @ Glenview	Assurance First Title & Escrow Co, Inc	
Hotel Glenview	Area Small Engine	
Carroll County Auto Parts	Shaw's Market	
ChuckCo's Tire & Service LLC	First Baptist Church	
Clark Carroll Insurance Agency Inc.	Highland Community College	
Ron Foltz	Catwalk Salon	
Marsha Foltz	Pleasant Valley Construction	
Mt. Carroll Home Center	Massbach Ridge Winery	
Mary Ann Hutchison	THE National Bank	
Construction Plus Inc.	Cornerstone Chiropractic	
Prairie Path Guest House & Sampler	Herrell Electric	
Quality Child Care	West Point Tree Farm	
Mt. Carroll Pharmacy Center	Tom & Pam Sorg	
Frank-Law Jones Funeral Home	County Financial (John Bickelhaupt)	
Charles & Doris Kessler	Ashford University	
Timber Lake Playhouse	Mount Carroll Café	
Doty's Collision Center	Mt. Carroll Insurance Agency	
Carroll County Senior Services	H. B. Wilkinson Title Co, Inc	
The Driftless Area Stillroom	Savanna Thomson State Bank	