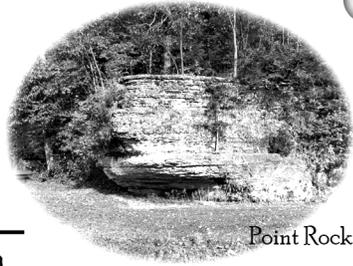


# Mount Carroll

Chamber of Commerce



## Chamber Pot

February 2011

Membership: 71

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### From the Prez...

Hello Everybody,

I hope all is well with everyone this long winter. Keeping our spirits up in these cold months is hard. Remember to take some time out just for yourselves. The days keep getting a little longer, and spring will be here before we know it. I look forward to seeing everyone at the next meeting.

~ Mike Lenz (Chamber President)

## Board of Directors

Mike Lenz—President  
Kallemezoo's

Bob Hatheway—Vice-President  
Shaw's Food Pride

Sibyl Doty—Treasurer  
THE National Bank

Catherine Pokropinski—Secretary

Three year Board Members:

Lou Schau: Epoch Axiom Group, Inc

Carol Frey: Land of Oz

Two year Board Members:

Larry DeSpain: Hotel Glenview

One year Board Members:

Jeff Davis: Davis Custom Decorators

Karen Davis—Events Coordinator

Laura Miller-DeSpain—Interim

Marketing Coordinator

dabluz boutique

Laura Miller-DeSpain—Past President

dabluz boutique

## Chamber Meeting

February 3, 2011

At the

Oakville Country Club

Social Time—6:00PM

Dinner—6:30PM

Meeting—7:00PM

**Cost: \$10 per person**

Please RSVP by February 1st at 5:00PM

Call 800-244-9594 (Option 1)

Or Email: [mcchambersecretary@gmail.com](mailto:mcchambersecretary@gmail.com)

**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.

## January Treasurer's Report

**Balance as of 12/30/10** **\$ 1,987.05**

	<u>REVENUE</u>
1/7/11 50/50	\$ 14.00
1/7/11 Meeting cash redeposited	\$ 75.00
1/7/11 General Membership Meals	\$ 220.00
1/7/11 Cat's Meow	\$ 20.00
1/7/11 Ornaments	\$ 75.00
1/11/11 Dues	\$ 75.00
1/11/11 Interest	\$ 1.01
1/11/11 voided check #5849 dated 10/8/09 payable to Laura Despain	
	<u>\$ 19.36</u>
<b>SubTotal</b>	<b>\$ 499.37</b>

	<u>EXPENSE</u>
1/5/11 Pharmacy Center-Chamber Bucks	\$ 10.00
1/6/11 Cash-general membership meeting	\$ 75.00
1/6/11 Joe Tappanier/Santa	\$ 50.00
1/6/11 Oakville Country Club-meeting meals	\$ 220.00
1/7/11 Blackhawk Waterways/Nov&Dec mailing	\$ 23.85
1/13/11 Tri-State Tourism - Dues	\$ 200.00
1/21/11 U.Of I. Extension-paper for FM Posters	\$ 4.20
1/27/11 Land Of Oz - Chamber Bucks	<u>\$ 75.00</u>
<b>SubTotal</b>	<b>\$ 658.05</b>

**Balance as to 1/27/11** **\$ 1,828.37**

**Balance in projects account** **\$ 1,943.25**

**\$ 3,771.62**

## Just a minute...December 2010

Call to order & Pledge of Allegiance - President Mike Lenz  
 Blessing: Bob Hatheway  
 November & December Minutes & Financial Reports Approved  
 Events Update: Christmas Walk/Tour of Homes, Volunteers.  
 Marketing Update: Meetings, Chamber Bucks winner, New ideas.  
 Fundraising Update: Brisk sales.  
 CDC Update: Market Street Commons, Farmer's Market.  
 PFP Update: Handicapped parking in town, Friends of the Library event.  
 New Business: Board member, Land of Oz billboard  
 50/50 Bob Hatheway (\$14.00)  
 Meeting adjourned

## MARKETING REPORT

The Marketing Committee is currently working on the 2011 Calendar of Events. It is in its final proof, and we plan to get it to the printer early February.

Angie, from the Mirror Democrat, is preparing an article highlighting our Chamber -- volunteering, events, need for members, etc. She may be calling on different members. Please give her all the help she needs. We appreciate Bob helping us promote our Chamber.

We recently renewed our annual membership to the Tri-State Tourism. Lou met with Dave Decker and we are able to promote our events thru their website at no charge. The annual convention is coming up in March. As soon as I receive the info, I'll share it. In the past, Chamber has sent one person to represent Mt. Carroll.

Our facebook page has 207 people following it. IF you are on facebook, please "like" us and suggest us to your friends. IF you'd like me to add your business's event/promotion, just email it to me.

Marketing meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Mount Carroll Banking Center at 8:00 a.m. We welcome your suggestions and support.

Laura DeSpain  
 Marketing Chair  
 815-244-1630  
[shop@dabluz.com](mailto:shop@dabluz.com)

## Volunteers are Magic!

With their help, all kinds of things can happen. Things like the Mayfest wine tent, Rummage through Mount Carroll, root beer floats at the Cruise Nights, the Garden Walk, Highway 64/78 Festival, Brick Street Saturday, the Cemetery Tour and Halloween Parade, the Christmas Walk and Annual Tour of Homes are all possible through the willing donation of personal time and energy. As in previous years, Chamber wants to say THANK YOU! to all the people who work the magic of volunteerism in our community

To that end we need your help to put together a slide show for our annual Volunteer Appreciation dinner in April. If you photographed any Mt. Carroll event during 2010, especially if it depicts volunteers at work, would you please send the image to Karen and Lou so we can prepare the slide show? Photos should be high resolution and emailed to us both asap and no later than February 15. If you only have printed photos, they may be dropped off with Lou at the Kraft Bldg to be scanned.

Thank you for sending us your photos and for spreading the word to others so we can have a wide variety of photos to show. Thank you!

Karen Davis,  
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 Lou Schau,  
[lou.schau@epochaxiomgroup.com](mailto:lou.schau@epochaxiomgroup.com)

# February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 8 AM—CDC General Board meeting at the Kraft building	2 Ground Hog Day  6 PM—Friends of the Library meeting at Library	3  6 PM—Chamber Membership meet- ing at Oakville Country Club	4	5  First Angelica Church Health & Wellness Fair
6	7	8   7:30PM City Council meeting	9   8AM-Chamber Marketing Com- mittee meeting at Mount Carroll Banking Center	10	11	12
13	14 Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19  Relay For Life Ladies Pamper Day-Mount Car- roll Church of God
20	21 President's Day	22  7:30PM City Council meeting	23 7:30 AM— Chamber Board meeting at Land of Oz	24	25	26
27	28			<p><b>Visit the Community Calendar online at <a href="http://www.mtcarrollil.org">www.mtcarrollil.org</a></b></p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: center; align-items: center;">  <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <p>Become a fan of Mt. Carroll, Illinois</p> </div> </div>		

**Be a member of the Mount 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: Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 94, Mt. Carroll, IL 61053**

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*"We take the time to care."*

## Mount Carroll Chamber Events 2010

Art Show.....	February 13
Rummage Through Mount Carroll.....	April 29 & 30
Mayfest.....	May 26-29
Car Cruise.....	June 18
Car Cruise.....	July 23
Car Cruise.....	August 20
Brick Street Saturday.....	
Car Cruise.....	September 24
October Happenings.....	
Christmas Walk and Tour of Homes.....	

## Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce Membership

dabluz boutique	Oakville Country Club	Charles and Doris Kessler
Hotel Glenview	Timberlake Resort	Jo-Carroll Energy
Ideas N Designs	Highland Community College	MTC Banking Center
Assurance First	Crouse Plumbing and Heating	Learn Great Foods
Newton Mfg Co/Harlan Brunner	City of Mt. Carroll	Timberlake Playhouse
Quality Child Care	Good Samaritan	Paul Tobin
Construction Plus Inc.	THE National Bank	Nancy Tobin
Mt. Carroll Insurance Agency	Mt. Carroll Home Center	Mirror Democrat
Mt. Carroll Mobil	Shaw's Food Pride	Carroll Co Historical Society
Clark Carroll Insurance Agency Inc.	FHN	Tom and Pam Sorg
Catherine Pokropinski	Prairie Path Guest House & Sampler	Riverview Center Inc.
Carroll Co Senior Services	Campbell Center	Diane Bausman
The Epoch Axiom Group, Inc./Lou Schau	Kunes	Kallemezoo
Thomas and Diane Manikowski	Flower Fan-A-See	Heritage Market
Vernon Sales Promotion/Barbara Brierton	Moring Disposal	Norwest Surveying Service
Doty's Collision Center	Sinnissippi Centers Inc.	Country Palmer House B & B
West Point Tree Farm	Herrell Electric	Law Jones Funeral Home
Land Of Oz	Sterling Rock Falls YMCA	Ashford University
Schneider House Furniture	Mt. Carroll Mutual	WCCI
Pharmacy Center	Davis Custom Decorators	Dairy Queen
Lyle and Lois Law	HB Wilkinson	Penny Lally/Driftless Area Stillroom
Savanna-Thomson State Bank	Pleasant Valley Construction	Catwalk Salon (Carrie Prowant)
Area Small Engine-Tom Cravatta	John and Thelma Swiech	Prairie Advocate
Mary Ann Hutchison	Sievert's	