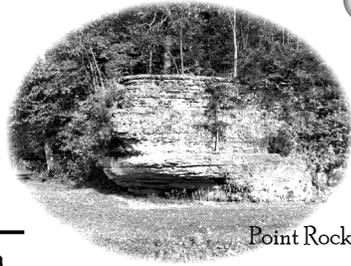


# Mount Carroll

Chamber of Commerce



Point Rock

## Chamber Pot

May 2011

Membership: 73

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### From the Prez...

Hello Everybody,

Hope all is well with everyone. This has been one of the coldest Springs on record. That should make for a beautiful May. Optimism is my watchword this month. I can't wait to see you all at this month's meeting. Pick your Wine Tent spots early in order to get the times you want.

~ 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

Jody Martens: Savanna-Thomson State Bank

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

Nancy Tobin—Telephones

## Chamber General Membership Meeting

May 5, 2011 at the  
Market Street Commons  
in the Kraft Building

Dinner provided by Learn Great Foods  
Cost \$12.00

Dinner Prep Class—4:00-5:30PM

Social Hour—6:00PM

Dinner—6:30PM

Meeting —7:00PM

(Menu items: Braised Beef, Asparagus with Yellow Sauce,  
Spring Green Soup, Fruit Muffins and cash coffee bar)

**Please RSVP by May 2nd at 4:00PM**

Call 800-244-9594 (Option 1)

The Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce would like to thank Karen Davis for her coordination and presentation at the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

**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.

## April Treasurer's Report

**Balance as of 3/31/11** **\$5,603.53**

	<b>REVENUE</b>
3/31/11 Interest	\$ 0.15
4/8/11 50/50-April 7 membership mtg	\$ 55.00
4/8/11 Cash redeposited from mtg	\$ 55.00
4/11/11 Volunteer night donations	\$ 40.00
4/13/11 Dues	\$ 75.00
	<b>\$ 225.15</b>

	<b>EXPENSE</b>
03/31/11 Keystone Ornament Specialties	\$ 712.53
4/7/11 Cash for Monthly Mtg	\$ 55.00
4/7/11 Market St. Commons - rent March & April	\$ 200.00
4/7/11 Mirror Democrat	\$ 18.80
4/8/11 Catherine Pokropinski-purchased paper	\$ 6.38
4/8/11 Brick Street Coffee - dessert for mtg 4/7	\$ 30.00
	<b>\$1,022.71</b>

**Balance as of** **\$4,805.97**

**Balance of Project Account** **\$1,943.48**

**\$6,749.45**

## Just a minute...March 2011

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Lenz  
Blessing: Pete Smith  
Regular Business postponed  
Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner commenced  
50/50 Winner: Bruce Lally (\$20.00)  
Adjourned

## MARKETING REPORT

There's good news & bad news in the Marketing Department. The good news is we will come in under budget. We were "allowed" to spend \$6000 but I am confident we will finish closer to \$5000. The bad news is we will come in under budget, which means we did not market as we originally planned. The bottom line is that we need more members to sustain, let alone extend, our marketing activities. Therefore, we will be organizing a Membership Committee and welcome everyone to join us in this effort. We are all ambassadors for Chamber and should be encouraging and inviting all businesses, and even our friends and neighbors, to join us. It really does take a village.

Marketing would like to take this opportunity to thank Anna Gray and Susan O'Connor for all their help these past years in securing and monitoring the Farmer's Market grant. As we look forward, we welcome your assistance in transferring these duties to the Chamber Marketing Committee, with the assistance of Terrie Miller (thank you, Terrie!).

The Marketing Committee welcomes everyone's input. We meet the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the Market Street Commons (formerly known as the Kraft Building) at 8 a.m. NOTE: This is a new location.

OR you can contact us through me at:

Laura Miller DeSpain  
shops @ glenview  
815-244-4058 or  
[shop@dabluz.com](mailto:shop@dabluz.com)

## Volunteers Enjoy the Magic!

Thanks everyone who contributed door prizes, food, décor, flowers, etc. to our recent Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, *Volunteers are Magic!* In spite of my reluctant magic trick everyone appeared to have had a good time and no one went home empty handed or hungry.

When our volunteers make magic happen there is no telling what can be accomplished. So, to be sure you get an invitation to next year's volunteer appreciation dinner; please give us a hand at one or more of this year's events. You will have the opportunity to do just that at our general membership meeting on May 5. Sign up for your preferred time slot at the Mayfest wine garden, May 27-29 and/or at Chamber's root beer float booth at the June 18, July 16, August 20, or Sept. 17, Cruise Nights. Bring a friend along and they will be invited to next year's Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, too. Check your calendar now and come prepared to reserve your spot.

# May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 8 AM—CDC General Board meeting at the Kraft building	4  6 PM—Friends of the Library meeting at Library	5 Cinco de Mayo  6 PM—Chamber Membership meet- ing at Kraft build- ing	6	7  Farmer's Market
8  Mother's Day	9	10  7:30PM City Council meeting	11  8AM-Chamber Marketing Com- mittee meeting at Mount Carroll Banking Center	12  6PM-9PM Five minutes of Fame on Market & Main	13	14  Farmer's Market
15	16	17	18	19	20	21  Farmer's Market
22	23	24  7:30PM City Council meeting	25 7:30 AM— Chamber Board meeting at Land of Oz	26	27  Mayfest	28 Farmer's Market  Mayfest
29  Mayfest	30  Memorial Day	31	<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; margin-right: 20px;"> <p><b>facebook</b></p> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <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.**

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*"We take the time to care."*

### 2011 Farmer's Market Cooking Demo Schedule:

May 7	Asparagus
May 14	Herbs
June 4	Lettuce
June 11	Mushrooms
July 2	Beans
July 9	Carrots
August 6	Eggplant
August 13	Summer Squash
September 3	Potatoes
September 10	Apples
October 1	Pumpkins
October 8	Peppers

## Mount Carroll Chamber Events 2010

Farmer's Market.....	May Through October
Timber Lake Playhouse.....	June Through September
Mayfest.....	May 27-29
Car Cruise.....	June 18
Car Cruise.....	July 23
Car Cruise.....	August 20
Car Cruise.....	September 24
Independence Day.....	July 4
Highway 64 & 78 Festival.....	July 23
Brick Street Saturday.....	September 4
Car Cruise.....	September 24
October Happenings.....	October 29 & 30
Great Route 64/84 Holiday Shop Hop....	November 11 & 12
Christmas Walk and Tour of Homes.....	December 3

## Mount Carroll Chamber of Commerce Membership

dabluz boutique
Hotel Glenview
Ideas N Designs
Assurance First
Newton Mfg Co/Harlan Brunner
Quality Child Care
Construction Plus Inc.
Mt. Carroll Insurance Agency
Good Samaritan Society-Mount Carroll
Clark Carroll Insurance Agency Inc.
Catherine Pokropinski
Carroll Co Senior Services
The Epoch Axiom Group, Inc./Lou Schau
Thomas and Diane Manikowski
Vernon Sales Promotion/Barbara Brierton
Doty's Collision Center
West Point Tree Farm
Land Of Oz
Schneider House Furniture
Pharmacy Center
Lyle and Lois Law
Savanna-Thomson State Bank
Area Small Engine-Tom Cravatta
Mary Ann Hutchison
Massbach Ridge Winery

Oakville Country Club
Timberlake Resort
Highland Community College
Crouse Plumbing and Heating
City of Mt. Carroll
Mt. Carroll Mobil
THE National Bank
Mt. Carroll Home Center
Shaw's Food Pride
FHN
Prairie Path Guest House & Sampler
Campbell Center
Kunes
Flower Fan-A-See
Moring Disposal
Sinnissippi Centers Inc.
Herrell Electric
Sterling Rock Falls YMCA
Mt. Carroll Mutual
Davis Custom Decorators
HB Wilkinson
Pleasant Valley Construction
John and Thelma Swiech
Sievert's

Charles and Doris Kessler
Jo-Carroll Energy
MTC Banking Center
Learn Great Foods
Timberlake Playhouse
Paul Tobin
Nancy Tobin
Mirror Democrat
Carroll Co Historical Society
Tom and Pam Sorg
Riverview Center Inc.
Diane Bausman
Kallemezoo's
Heritage Market
Norwest Surveying Service
Country Palmer House B & B
Law Jones Funeral Home
Ashford University
WCCI
Dairy Queen
Penny Lally/Driftless Area Stillroom
Catwalk Salon (Carrie Prowant)
Prairie Advocate
Mount Carroll Bowling Center