

Mount Carroll

Chamber of Commerce



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August 2008

Membership: 94

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From the Prez — Laura Miller-DeSpain

I have come to the conclusion that time flies whether or not you're having fun, and it especially flies when the sun is shining and the grass is green and I'd rather be pedaling. The Board and its various committees are working hard so that more folks can have more fun in Mt. Carroll. The Farmer's Market, Car Cruises and Brick Street Saturday are just three MORE reasons to spend time in our fair city. And Brick Street Saturday is going to be especially fun for the youngsters as several businesses have joined together to sponsor some gigantic FUNtastic games.

If you would like to help with ANY of our events, or if you have a suggestion for a NEW event, please contact Gwen at gwen@flowerfanasee.com. If you have a marketing idea or suggestion, please contact John at jtswiech@grics.net. If you know someone who needs contacted for membership, please contact Mike at mrlenz@grics.net. Our Chamber is only as good as the folks who make it up (fortunately for us, that's some pretty fine folks). PLEASE check out our website at www.mtcarrollil.org and let Christiene (admin@mtcarrollil.org) know of any updates/changes. It's looking fabulous. Just reaffirms why it's nice to live and do business in Mt. Carroll.

And if you'd like to talk to me, contact me at shop@dabluz.com or 815-244-4058. Looking forward to seeing every single member at the September meeting on Thursday, September 4th. (Location to be announced later.) Bye for now.....

Board of Directors

Laura Miller-DeSpain—President
dabluz boutique

Mike Lenz—Vice-President
Kallemazoo's

Terrie Miller—Treasurer
H.B. Wilkinson Title Company

Christiene Gable—Secretary
Savanna-Thomson State Bank

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

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

One year Board Members:
Barb Lange: THE National Bank
Carol Remrey: Brick Street Dollar

Gwen Lowe—Events Coordinator
Flower Fan-A-See

John Swiech—Marketing Coordinator
CDC Executive Director

Sibyl Doty—Past President
THE National Bank

Proposed Amendment to the Chamber Constitution

Will be voted on at the September General Membership meeting

Presently reads:

Article IV. Meetings – Regular. A regular meeting shall be held on the first Thursday of each month at a time and place to be designated. At this time, a suitable meal may be served, paid for by the members present. Guest speakers will not be required to pay for a meal. Guests of speakers or political candidates will be responsible for the cost of meals as members. When the first Thursday of the month falls on a holiday or conflicts with a community event, the meeting shall be held on an alternate day appointed by the Board of Directors.

Proposed change:

Article IV. Meetings – Regular. A regular meeting shall be held a minimum of 4 times in a fiscal year. Meetings are to be held on the first Thursday of the scheduled months, at a time and place to be designated. At such time, a suitable meal may be served, paid for by the members present. Guest speakers will not be required to pay for a meal. Guests of speakers or political candidates will be responsible for the cost of meals as members. When the first Thursday of a scheduled month falls on a holiday or conflicts with a community event, the meeting shall be held on an alternate day appointed by the Board of Directors.

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

2007-2008 Year End Report

Balance as of 5/28/08 **\$10,333.25**

	<u>REVENUE</u>
5/31/2008 Interest	\$1.30
6/23/2008 Wine Sales	\$117.00
6/23/2008 FM Vendor Fees	\$75.00
6/23/2008 TLP	\$8.65
6/23/2008 Meeting Cash	\$100.00
6/23/2008 Meeting Meals	\$260.00
6/23/2008 Wine Sales	\$50.00
6/23/2008 50/50	\$11.50
6/30/2008 Mayfest Reimbursement	\$393.00
6/30/2008 Rotary Reimbursement	\$519.50
6/30/2008 Interest	\$2.03
Sub-total	<u>\$1,537.98</u>

	<u>EXPENSE</u>
6/7/2008 Clark Carroll Insurance	\$1,116.00
6/7/2008 Prairie Advocate	\$17.50
6/7/2008 Gallatin River	\$34.73
6/7/2008 Meeting Cash	\$100.00
6/7/2008 Postmaster	\$2.00
6/20/2008 Mayfest 2008	\$438.35
6/20/2008 Galena Cellars Winery	\$756.49
6/20/2008 Pharmacy Center	\$4.00
6/20/2008 Brick Street Dollar	\$4.30
6/20/2008 Shaws Food Pride	\$331.34
6/20/2008 Mt. Carroll Fire Department	\$100.00
6/20/2008 Christiene Gable	\$50.00
6/20/2008 Terrie Miller	\$50.00
6/20/2008 Massbach Ridge Winery	\$1,262.00
6/20/2008 Mirror Democrat	\$112.70
6/20/2008 Prairie Advocate	\$10.00
6/20/2008 Mt. Carroll Chamber	\$21.50
6/20/2008 Oakville Country Club	\$260.00
6/26/2008 Sauk Valley Newspapers	\$377.50
6/29/2008 Christiene Gable	\$75.00
Sub-total	<u>\$5,123.41</u>

Balance as of 6/30/08 **\$6,747.82**
 Website Account **\$779.06**
 Balance of Projects Account **\$5,240.70**
\$12,767.58

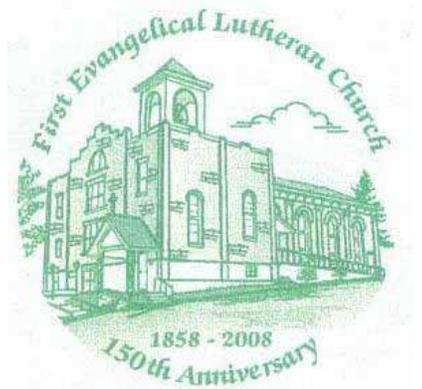
Events Committee

Farmer's Market will be every Saturday through October. The Library Centennial is August 3rd. The third Cruise Night will be August 16th downtown Mt. Carroll.

The next Events committee meeting will be 6 PM on August 14th at Land of Oz.

Christmas Ornaments

The 2008 Limited Edition Treasured Scenes Ornaments featuring the Mt. Carroll Lutheran Church 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 Methodist Church, Colehour Elevator, & Main Street School.



Green Lettering on Green Mist



Brown Lettering on Golden Mist



Red Lettering on White



White Lettering on Purple

August 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Visit the Community Calendar online at www.mtcarrollil.org September 6th—Brick Street Saturday					1	2 Farmer's market
3 Mt Carroll Library 100-Year Celebration	4	5 8 AM—CDC Executive Com- mittee meeting at Team Products	6 6 PM—Friends of the Library meet- ing at Library	7	8	9 Farmer's market
10	11	12 8 AM—CDC Executive Com- mittee meeting at Team Products 7:30 PM—Mt Carroll City Council meeting at City Hall	13 8 AM—Marketing Committee Meet- ing at Kraft Build- ing 7:30PM—Timber Lake Playhouse Opening Night: Church Basement Ladies	14 6 PM—Events Committee Meeting at Land of Oz	15	16 Farmer's market 5 to 10 PM— Cruise Night Downtown Mt Carroll
17	18	19 8 AM—CDC Executive Com- mittee meeting at Team Products School Begins West Carroll	20	21 6 PM—Relay For Life Wrap-Up Meeting at Heritage Center in Lanark	22	23 Farmer's market
24	25 6 PM—City Committees meeting at City Hall	26 8 AM—CDC Executive Com- mittee meeting at Team Products 7:30 PM—Mt Carroll City Council meeting at City Hall	27 7:30 AM— Chamber Board meeting at Land of Oz	28 5:30 PM— Carroll County Health Dept Board meeting at Health Dept building	29	30 Farmer's market
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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

Mt. Carroll Chamber of Commerce

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Phone: 815-244-2255

E-mail: info@mtcarrollil.org

Web site: www.mtcarrollil.org

"We take the time to care."

Be a Chamber Member!

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Individual—\$37.50 per year

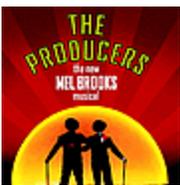
*When we join together,
the impossible becomes Possible!*

Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 7/1/08		\$6,747.82	
			REVENUE
7/8/2008	Dues		\$75.00
7/8/2008	RB Floats Cruise Night		\$199.00
7/17/2008	Closed out Website Account		\$779.06
7/17/2008	Dues		\$75.00
7/17/2008	FM Vendor Fees		\$15.00
7/17/2008	Garden Walk Ticket Sales		\$715.00
7/21/2008	Dues		\$75.00
7/21/2008	Donation October Happenings		\$150.00
7/24/2008	Dues		\$150.00
7/24/2008	RB Floats Cruise Night		\$155.00
7/24/2008	Ornament Sales		\$80.00
	Sub-Total		\$2,468.06
			EXPENSES
7/1/2008	Stamp Fullfillment Service		\$239.60
7/7/2008	Blackhawk Waterways		\$75.00
7/7/2008	Mirror Democrat		\$104.80
7/7/2008	Village Voices		\$85.00
7/7/2008	CenturyTel		\$34.60
7/7/2008	Shaws Food Pride		\$42.27
7/11/2008	dabluz boutique (CB)		\$5.00
7/11/2008	Nancy Tobin		\$17.56
7/17/2008	Prairie Advocate		\$12.50
	Sub-Total		\$616.33
	Balance as of 7/27/08	\$8,599.55	
	Balance in projects account	\$5,240.70	
	TOTAL	\$13,840.25	

Timber Lake Playhouse Mt. Carroll, Illinois

Adult Tickets: \$20 EACH Sunday evening shows: \$17 EACH Student tickets only \$11 with a valid ID.
Season tickets: \$100 Student ticket packages (all six shows): \$55 Call (815) 244-2035 for Tickets & more information.



The Producers

July 31 - August 10

A down-on-his luck producer and nerdy accountant who realize they can strike it rich by making a sure-fire Broadway flop.



Treasure Island: August 5, 7, 8, & 9

All shows at 2 PM—All Tickets only \$5

Ahoy, mates! Young Jim Hawkins must outwit the wicked Long John Silver and his band as they sail the seas.



Church Basement Ladies

August 13 - August 24

Four different women and their relationships as they organize the food and solve the problems of a rural Minnesota church in 1964.

**Enjoy dinner before or after the play.
Ask for more details when you call the
Timber Lake Playhouse Box Office.**

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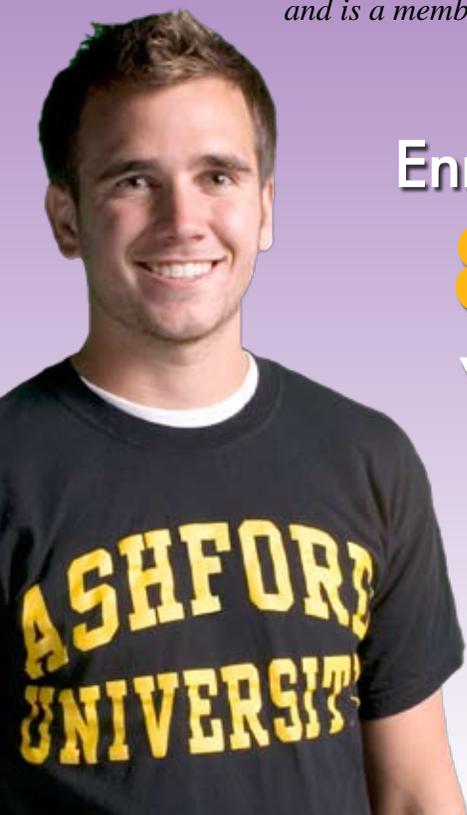
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 Visual Art
 Management Core

Bachelor of Science

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 Clinical Cytotechnology
 Clinical Laboratory Science
 Computer Science & Mathematics
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 Health Science Administration
 Natural Science
 Nuclear Medicine Technology

Bachelor of Applied Science

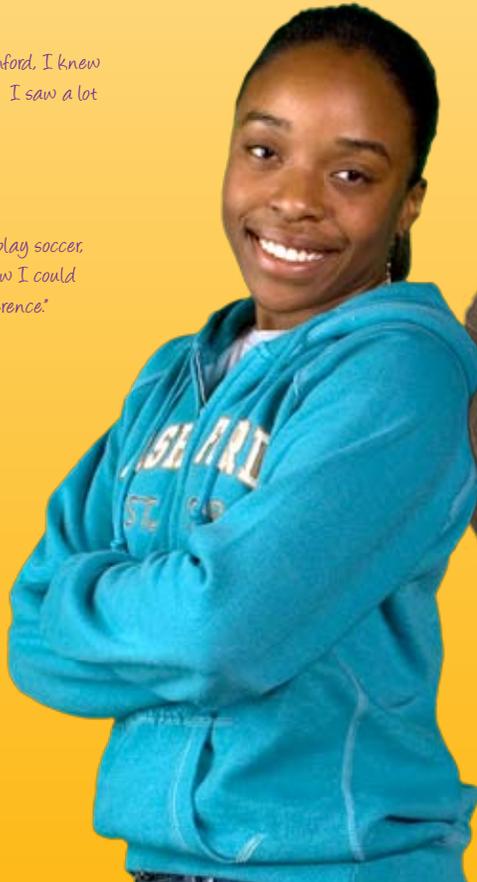
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 Computer Core
 Computer Graphic Design Core
 Health Care Administration Core

"When I first came to Ashford, I knew this was the place for me. I saw a lot of opportunity for myself"

- Quentin Brackenridge, sophomore, Biology

"At first I just wanted to play soccer, but once I got here, I knew I could work hard to make a difference."

- Keith Caldwell, junior, Social & Criminal Justice



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-Pam Schoenthaler, Maquoketa, Iowa, Bachelor of Arts in Organizational Management

"I know I have many years left to work, and obtaining a Master's degree makes me more marketable in the workforce."

-Angela Determan, Camanche, Iowa, MBA

