



April 2010

Chamber Newsletter

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Subway

Ty Turek

State Farm INS

Secretary

Jacque Barbee.

April Monthly Meeting

The monthly meeting of the Chamber was held on April 8th. All directors were in attendance.

. A committee was formed to review the By Laws. The committee will consist of Betty Winchester, Judy Loving and Jan Tabor-Ulrich. The number of Chamber members was discussed and at the time of the meeting there were 68 members.

There was lots of new business to discuss and at the top of the list was Committees. 4 committees have been established and they will have their own specific goals and ideas. The directors also discussed the Chambers mission statement and goals and these will be reviewed by the Strategic/Marketing committee as well as the Buy Local Campaign. The Website was also discussed and a new version is being worked on and will be revealed at a later time.

The next monthly meeting will be held May 13 at 7:45 am at the Senior Center. Please plan to attend

2010 Chamber Board Committees

During the April monthly board meeting the new committees were announced as well as chairs and vice-chairs. Each committee will be responsible for setting up their committee's goals, budget and volunteers.

The committees are as follows: Finance, Membership, Strategic Planning/Marketing and Events.

The Finance committee will focus on fundraising and the budget. Crystal Sathoff is the Chair and Ty Turek is the vice-chair.

The Membership committee will focus on ribbon cuttings, bi-monthly luncheons and after hours. Josh Gronewold is the chair and he is currently seeking a vice-chair.

The Strategic Planning and Marketing committee will focus on advertising, buy local campaign, business of the week, website development, relocation/welcome packets and community mapping. Dan Williams is the chair and he is also looking for a vice-chair.

The Events committee will focus on April Follishness, Harvest Fest and Christmas in Petersburg. Judy Loving is the Chair and Betty Winchester is vice-chair.

Harvest Fest Planning has begun!

Harvest Fest is just around the corner and the first planning meeting is scheduled for April 19th at 6p at the Senior Center.

As many of you may or may not know planning an event as big as Harvest Fest is a very long process that takes many hours, ideas and hands to put on. Not only does the planning committee need ideas they also need volunteers to help with the set-up and take down of the event. Some of the things that need done are setting up of the chairs, tables and the stage in the tent, vendor spaces marked (Thursday night) as well as setting up the area for the Chamber dinner, helping the vendors check in early Saturday morning and cleaning up of the Square on Sunday morning and that's just a small part of it.

If you are interested in helping with Harvest Fest, please call or email the Chamber office or call the Harvest Fest Committee Chair, Judy Loving, 632-2629 or vice-chair, Betty Winchester, 632-4154.

*Harvest Fest Meeting
Senior Center 6pm April
19th*

Marketing Committee

There will be a Marketing Committee on April 21st at 7p at the Athens State Bank in Petersburg. If you would like to attend or receive more information, please call Dan Williams at 217-899-1823 or Josh Gronewold at 632-5500 or email the Chamber at petersburgchamber@sbcglobal.net.

*Always bear in mind that
your own resolution to
succeed is more important
than any other one thing. -
Abraham Lincoln*

April Foolishness

This event will be held April 24th from 8a-1p. If your business is having a sidewalk sale and would like it advertised, please let the Chamber know ASAP.

Chamber Information

Hours of operation: Monday –Thursday 9a-1p

Phone: 217-632-7363

Email: petersburgchamber@sbcglobal.net

Website: petersburgilchamber.com

Facebook: Petersburg Chamber of Commerce

Feature Articles

Please send me any information about your business or organization that you would like the community to know about. One of the biggest benefits of belonging to the Chamber is our feature articles. Whether you are running a special, hosting an event or just want to remind the community what you have to offer, just send me the details and I will get it in the weekly Chamber Corner as well as the monthly newsletter. Please remember I need your information at least 2 weeks in advance.

Website

The website has been updated with current members as of April 12th. Please check your information to make sure that it has all of your current information and let us know if you need something changed or added.

The Rose Cottage 10 Year Anniversary

The Rose Cottage will celebrate their 10th anniversary on April 24th. To celebrate their anniversary they will host an Open House. Pat Mullins from Treska jewelry, will set-up a trunk show. The first 24 people to spend \$24 or more will receive a FREE Willow Tree 2010 ornament, balloons will be passed and they will contain special discounts. Since the celebration is in conjunction with the April Foolishness event they will also be having a sidewalk sale outdoors along with a yard sale. Food and refreshments, hourly door prizes and other goodies, including a \$50 gift certificate to the biggest spender of the day.

Pam would love for everyone to stop by and say Hi! And to say thank you for 10 great years!

Dates of Interest

Harvest Fest Meeting	April 19
Marketing Meeting	April 21
April Foolishness	April 24
The Rose Cottage Anniversary Party	April 24
PORTA Prom/Athens Prom	April 24
Murder Mystery Dinner	April 30
Chamber Monthly Meeting	May 13
6th Annual Wine/Music Festival	May 30-31
Memorial Day-office closed	May 31
Blood Drive	June 3
Menard Electric Meeting of Members	June 5
Chamber Monthly Meeting	June 10
Theatre in the Park Performances	June 4-6/10-13/25-26
Murder Mystery Dinner	June 25

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