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APRIL NEWSLETTER



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- When:** Thursday, April 2, 2009
- Where:** Banquets At St George by H & R Catering
528 E 77th Ave, Schererville
- Time:** *Networking: 7:45 am Breakfast 8:00 am*
Bring your business cards! Bring any brochures or flyers you may have for the table
- Cost:** \$15.00
Reservations **MUST** be made by **Tuesday, March 31st**.
Call in your reservation at 865-1045 or email at chamber@townofdyer.com
- Menu:** Fresh assorted fruit, Danish, scrambled eggs, eggs Florentine, stuffed French toast, oven-roasted potatoes, bacon, sausage links, coffee and juice
- Speaker:** Omni 41 Representative
- Topic:** Nutrition & Exercise in These Stressful Times

A Message From Your President.....

Spring is finally here and it's time to dig right into your home landscaping projects. Just as you make your domicile look good, remember to do the same for the exterior of your business. Clean the windows, remove the debris from winter and plant some flowers. If you need help picking flowers, why not contact the members of Dyer's Garden Club? You can visit www.townofdyer.com/gardenclub for details. If you only lease space, ask what your landlord will do to make the area attractive. Or ask what you can do. First impressions are important. Think of yourself as the flower, trying to attract the bees so you will grow and prosper.

The March Dyer utility bill included the 2009 trifold Directory. It is striking; black ink on gold stock. Thank you Tammy. And thank you Katie for helping Tammy proof the copy. March 31st is coming! And so is the Dyer business license fee. Please remember to pay the fee before it escalates to \$300. And why not reach out to non-member businesses. To date, not one I visited knew of the license and fee. This is just another way you can get others to know and appreciate you and our Chamber.

The Pictures with the Bunny Event is coming up 4/4/09 at Northgate Park. If anyone wants to help before, during or after, please let Katie Sarros or I know. It is a short time from 1-2PM. We need help a little before and after too. Sandy and I are offering our usual free raffle for a Fannie Mae basket and Katie tells me It's My Party, Inc will also donate a basket. Why not you???

The April general meeting will be breakfast at Ruben and Hilda's place the Banquets at St. George. This is a wonderful way to start the day. Our general meetings will be running smoother too, thanks to a suggestion from Director Jan Nichols. We now have Directors sharing responsibility for various aspects of the meeting. Please let us know what you think.

See you around Dyer, Jethroe

The Chamber Newsletter Goes Electronic

This is the first electronic version of your Chamber newsletter. By switching to this format, we can save money and time. The money will be better spent promoting our membership and by not using the mail we improve our ability to provide timely communication too. If you are one of the very few members who have not provided Tammy with an email address, please do so after you get this newsletter. Thank you!

Mothers Day Breakfast

This new event will take place at Faith Church, which is a Chamber member, on Saturday May 9th. Preliminary information was emailed to everyone and the response has been very positive. If you did not receive the email message about this event, please contact Tammy. At the next Event Planning Session on **Thursday, March 26** at 1PM at the Dyer Town Hall, we will discuss the details. Everyone is welcome! Call Tammy if you would like to share the pizza we have for lunch.

Dyer Parks and Recreation Dept. Leisuregram

In the next issue of this publication, which is mailed to **over 8,000** households, the Chamber will place an ad. Please look for it. And when you get new business from this ad let Tammy know. We want to track how these ads are working out. Just another effort by your Board of Directors to help your business thrive.

Meet n Greet

We still have the next date of **May 12th** open. Please contact Michele Nielsen or Suzy LaBarge. You can do an 8:02AM or a 6:02PM or call it an after hours event.

No Circus in 2009

Due to the limited date available to us, the Board of Directors decided not to sponsor the Kelly Miller Circus this year.

General Membership Meetings

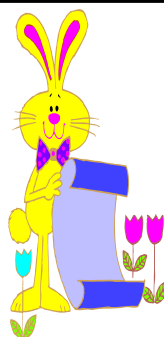
Just a friendly reminder to make sure that you make your reservations for the membership meetings. Lately we have been having a great turn out at our meetings, however, please make sure that you are making your reservation by phone or by email. All reservations need to be made by the cut off date of Tuesday before the meeting.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Business Spotlight

**Centurion Payment Solutions/
DBA Retriever**
P.O. Box 302
Dyer, IN
Clayton Denton, Owner

Locally owned, Clayton has served in the merchant services industry for over 10 years. He can sell, service and support all levels of payment processing (retail, restaurant, industrial, and home-based) with credit cards, debit cards, checks, gift cards and auto pay. A number of Chamber proudly use Claytons services.



Pictures with the Easter Bunny
In conjunction with the Dyer
Park Department's Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday, April 4, 2009 @ 1pm
Northgate Park

There will be a free raffle of a large Easter basket donated by Jethroe Smith DDS & Sandy. If you would like to volunteer to work or be a sponsor, contact chairperson Katie Sarros at 746-3786.
(Easter Egg Hunt begins at 2pm)

Mark Your Calendar

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| April 2 | Chamber Membership Mtg- Breakfast |
| April 2 | Board of Directors Meeting
after Breakfast! |
| April 4 | Pictures w/ the Easter Bunny
1pm - Northgate Park |
| April 23 | Event Planning Session
1pm at the Dyer Town Hall |
| May 7 | Chamber Membership Meeting |
| May 8 | Board of Directors Meeting
Dyer Town Hall - 8 am |
| May 28 | Event Planning Session
1pm at the Dyer Town Hall |
| June 4 | Chamber Membership Meeting |
| June 12 | Board of Directors Meeting
Dyer Town Hall - 8 am |
| June 25 | Event Planning Session
1pm at the Dyer Town Hall |



Texas Roadhouse Ribbon Cutting

Welcome New Member

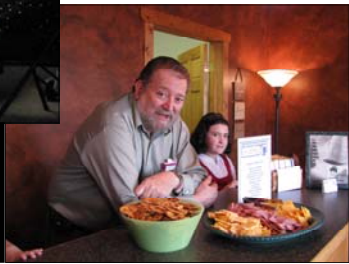
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**Porter's Restoration
 Business After Hours
 March 10, 2009**



**All About Computers
 Ribbon Cutting/Open House**



Michele Nielsen, Chamber Board Member and Dinner Dance Chair, presented Meals on Wheels with a donation in the amount of **\$1025.00** which were proceeds from the Martini Bar at the Annual Dinner Dance held in January.

Mike Evanich from First Financial Bank also presented a separate donation of **\$250.00** to Meals on Wheels.

