



SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

- When:** Thursday, September 3, 2009
- Where:** Briar Ridge Country Club
123 Country Club Drive, Schererville, IN
- Time:** *Networking: 11:30am Lunch: 12:00 noon*
Bring your business cards! Bring any brochures or flyers you may have for the table
- Cost:** \$15.00
Reservations **MUST** be made by **Tuesday, September 1st!**
Call in your reservation at 865-1045 or email at **chamber@townofdyer.com**
- Menu:** French dip sandwich with French fries and chocolate brownie for dessert.
- Speaker:** Joe Neeb, Town Manager, Town of Dyer
Topic: Dyer - Challenges and Pitfalls in Advancing the Community

A Message From Your President.....

As Summer wains, we look with appreciation to all the great events we had recently and anticipate the coming events this Fall.

The Corn Roast & Family Picnic experienced rain for the second time in two years but the spirit of your team of volunteers was not dampened. The rain stopped, and we had a good crowd. My thanks to all the volunteers. Especially to Suzy LaBarge and her army of Citizen Bank volunteers. They, the Boy and Cub Scouts and all the others, you know who you are, made this another special event.

A special thank you to Mark Heintz, Dyer Parks & Rec Superintendent and the entire Parks Dept Board of Directors for allowing us their new stage. This people, is why you build relationships! We all help each other; and Dyer citizens benefit. So if I have one message this month, it is build your relationships. They will help you in business and in life. Get involved! As farmers know, you reap what you sow. So get out there, get your family involved too and let's make Dyer a great place to work, live and play!

We donated our extra corn and buns to the Dyer Police Department for their FOP Appreciation Picnic the day after our Corn Roast. I attended the event early and throughout the day the Police announced what the Chamber had done. I heard later the event went past mid-night! People, this is a fine group to join. It does not cost much and once a year you have a good time meeting the people who keep us safe. So please plan on joining. Call the Police Dept or me, I am an FOP member, and plan on the Picnic in 2010. It should be on the second Saturday in August.

Ok, enough preaching. I want to commend Chamber Director Greg Gordon (American Savings Bank) and member Mike Cronin (Peoples Bank) for being on the National Night Out Committee. The weather co-operated and there were great crowds. Several Chamber businesses also had booths set up. I manned our tent with my pop corn machine. Man, even in hot, humid weather people LOVE pop corn(especially when it's free). Thank you to all Chamber participants/volunteers!

At the Dyer Hometown Celebration on Saturday, September 12, 2009, the extra food we had from the Corn Roast will be prepared and sold. We need volunteers at the Chamber booth so please contact Ruben (#1 Cubs fan) Calvo. The event runs 11:00AM until 10:00PM. And this year, Chamber member Texas Roadhouse has volunteered to run our first ever Master of the Grill contest. I ate there recently and they had copies of the contest at every booth. As Judy Hein would say, support your Dyer businesses!

The Parks Dept Leisuregram is at the printers and will soon be in the hands of Dyer citizens. Please check out Greg Gordon's ad and keep a copy at your business.

Our speaker for this month is Dyer Town Manager Joe Neeb. Please come out to listen to what the Town plans and to ask him questions about anything Town related. In October, Lake County Councilman Thomas C. O'Donnell will discuss Lake County issues.

See you around Dyer, Jethroe

CORN ROAST & FAMILY PICNIC

Some photos of the event are attached. Thank you Donna (Harris Bank) for getting Hubert the Harris Lion to make a special appearance and for donating the dunk balloon tank. The tank helped in our charity event this year for the Cubs and the Sox. It was closer this year, but the Cub fans triumphed again!

Also, thank you to all the generous people who donated items for our free raffles. During these economic times, people do appreciate getting something special and unexpected.

MEET N GREET

To make these opportunities more flexible for the membership, we are now offering these meet n greets or business after hours according to your schedule. Just give Suzy LaBarge or Michele Nielsen a call. This is a great opportunity for you to highlight your business and your team members. Call today!

Welcome New Members

Bankers Life and Casualty

Penny Evans
204 Summerhill, Dyer, IN 864-7326

Dr. Anthony Di Costanzo DDS PC

1123 Joliet Street, Dyer, IN 865-3303
www.smilesbydoctord.com

Dr. Di Costanzo or "Dr. D." as he is called by his patients is a general dentist who specialized in cosmetic and implant dentistry. He has an office in Dyer as well as in Oak Brook, Illinois. He also operates the Dental Assistant Training School. The office offers implants, bleaching (britesmile), invisalign, veneers, crowns and bridges. NEW PATIENTS WELCOME!

Twila Kaye's Gift Baskets Galore

Twila Heiselman
332 E US 30, Schererville, IN 46375 227-8875
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Twila Kaye's Gift Baskets Galore specializes in unique, custom designed gift baskets for corporate and personal gifts for all occasions. All of our gift baskets are hand designed and one-of-a-kind made to order. We offer a special discount to our corporate clients and fellow chamber members. Our mission: to create, inspire, and design for greater giving.

Springmill

Lisa Beck

101 West 87th Ave, Merrillville, IN 756-0744

Our campus concept is a unique approach that is designed to help residents maximize their independence, while creating a more home-like, less institutional atmosphere. Our commitment to superior customer service is apparent in everything we do. Our programs and services are designed with just one thing in mind....exceeding the expectations for our residents and their families. We offer, assisted living, long-term care, short term rehabilitation, transitional care suites, physical, occupational and speech therapy, 24 hour skilled nursing care, memory care, outpatient therapy, respite care, and adult day services.

Business Spotlight

Citizens
FINANCIAL BANK
Personal. personal banking

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75 YEARS 1934 - 2009

Help us celebrate our 75th Anniversary!

Join us for the festivities at our Dyer location on September 18 from 9 – 11 a.m. Get a free goody bag containing prizes and \$75 worth of Citizens' coupons. You may get a goody bag with a **Golden Anniversary Ticket** worth an additional \$75! You'll also have an opportunity to enter our raffle for a \$1,500 electronics gift card. For more details of the events, please contact Suzy LaBarge, Dyer Banking Center Manager at 219-322-5314.

Mark Your Calendar

- September 3** Chamber Membership Meeting
- September 11** Board of Directors Meeting
Dyer Town Hall - 8 am
- September 24** Event Planning Session
1pm at the Dyer Town Hall
- October 1** Chamber Membership Meeting
- October 9** Board of Directors Meeting
Dyer Town Hall - 8 am
- October 22** Event Planning Session
1pm at the Dyer Town Hall
- October 24** Halloween Fun Fair and Park
Dept Halloween Parade
- November 5** Chamber Membership Meeting
- November** Board of Directors Meeting
Dyer Town Hall - 8 am
- November 19** Event Planning Session
1pm at the Dyer Town Hall

Dyer Hometown *Celebration*

There is still time to get a vendor or information booth space for the Hometown Celebration on Saturday, September 12th in the Jewel Parking lot. If you'd rather not have a booth space and just want to attend the last festival of the year, then come out on the 12th and enjoy some food, a live band, beer garden, a car show, and new this, Master of The Grill Contest, sponsored by Texas Roadhouse.



**Dyer Police Department's
National Night Out Against Crime
August 4th**

Our Chamber Presence!



**2nd Annual Corn Roast
and
Family Picnic**

We didn't let a little rain dampen our day!!!

