

MILTON CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

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Membership News

February was designated as New Member Month. Membership Chairman Orville Mills and committee members Dave Dutton and Bill Tobin are happy to announce a great response to our drive this year.

Our renewal rate has been outstanding and we are pleased to welcome 5 New Members this month! Please make these new business members feel welcome by inviting them to attend one of our upcoming events. Getting involved is getting the word out about your business and services.

For your convenience a 2011 membership application is included in the newsletter. If you have not yet renewed yet, please do. We will be reprinting our Milton brochure this year and you will want your business listed. Our brochure is placed in many information centers throughout the state. This distribution piece is sent to all inquiries about Milton. It's a great introduction for your business to those locating to our area.

Be sure to take a look at the windows on Federal Street in Downtown Milton. Filling vacant spaces helps refresh and enliven the look of our downtown area. Wouldn't it be wonderful to fill these spaces with permanent businesses. Let us know if you are interested in participating-684-1101.

NOTES OF INTEREST FROM OUR MEMBERS

Salon Milton raised \$1500 for the Milton Historical Society at its recent fundraiser. Those who attended enjoyed many services while contributing to a worthwhile cause. John Potocki also hosted the recent February Business After Hours Mixer. Our thanks to John and his staff for a wonderful get-together at his salon. Be sure to keep up with Salon Milton on U-Tube!

Library Programs Abound!

The **Milton Public Library** has many interesting events coming up this month. Please check their web site for a complete listing and times. Programs for the entire family, men, women and children. March 2-Martin Luther King presentation by Rev. John C. Moore, Ladies Night, March 30th WWW.milton.lib.de.us

Council Elections to Be Held March 5

Milton Town Council elections will be held on Saturday March 5th from 8 AM to 6 PM at Town Hall. Three candidates will vie for two vacant seats. The candidates are Marion Jones, Rhonda Abraham and Emory West. Voters had an opportunity to meet their candidates at the Candidate Forum held at the Fire Hall on Saturday, February 26th. The League of Women Voters joined the Chamber for this event.

Milton voters were given an opportunity to hear the candidates' views on issues and answer many questions from the audience. It was an informative session.

Welcome Bags

New Chamber members are invited to provide information about your business for our Welcome Bags. Flyers, brochures, any advertising products are welcome —help us get the word out about your services!

Call Salon Milton 684-1880 or drop off at least 2 dozen pieces of your promotional material. Thanks.

WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS

Parsley's Print Shop

Jason Parsley owner
25236 Oak Hill Run, Milton
Contact Jason at parsleyprintshop@aol.com

Sobieski Services-Plumbing & Heating

Tim Smith, Division manager,
Steve Ruczynski, Milton representative
200 Business Park Milton
302-993-0212

Thomas David Salon

Tom Archino, Owner
Paynters Mill
302-684-2829
www.thomasdavidsalon.net

Capstone Homes

Jon Loudon, Sales Manager
27427 Walkers Run, Milton
302-684-4480
www.capstone-homes.com

Shandler Associates

Don Shandler, Consultant-Professional Development
201 Grist Mill Drive, Milton
703-674-6800

If you have not yet renewed your membership in the Milton Chamber of Commerce. Your Membership form is included with this newsletter. Please continue to be an active part of the Milton business community.



Calendar of Upcoming Events

Chamber Board meets the 2nd Thursday of each month

Mixers are scheduled for the third Thursday- every other month

Breakfast meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday- every other month

We hope this schedule will avoid conflicts with other scheduled chamber meetings. Make sure to check the monthly newsletter for updates.

March

March 10-Board of Directors

5 PM Security Instruments

March 13-St Patrick's Day Parade. 2 PM

Downtown Milton; sponsored by Irish Eyes

March-15 Breakfast meeting

Speaker-Milton Economic Development

Committee-'Greening your business'

Milton Public Library-8 AM -\$8.00

Please check the chamber website for current updates-



Horse Shoe Crab & Shorebird Festival News

Dave and Marilyn Dutton, Co-Chairmen

(woman) of the Horseshoe Crab Festival for 2011 look forward to another successful festival this Memorial Day weekend as we kick off the summer. The opening reception for the festival will be held on Friday night this year. There will be some new and interesting additions to the festival so watch for updates in the newsletter and on the web calendar.

If you are interested in being a volunteer, please let us know. 684-1101. It is also time to be looking for **horseshoe crab shells**. As the weather improves (yes it will!) begin looking for these discarded shell along our beaches and save them for us.

Our Prime Hook Partners for the Horseshoe Crab & Shorebird Festival. Staff Members are honored by their volunteers at a recent awards dinner. Hard work does not go unnoticed! Our friends at Prime Hook are getting ready to help with this year's event



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Farm market comes to town!

It was announced at the February Council meeting that there would be a farmers market coming to Milton this summer. Spearheaded by Councilman Norman Lester the market will be held on Friday afternoons from 4 to 7 PM in the center of town. The Chamber welcomes this new business venture and encourages our members' support.

Milton Sign Reestablished

If you come to Milton by way of Cave Neck Road, you may have noticed that our directional sign has been missing since one of last years snow storms when it is believed that a snow plow took it out. The sign disappeared completely! We are happy to announce that a new sign has been installed by Quillen Sign Company. It is an exact duplicate of the previous sign with the addition of a Chamber Welcome. We will also be using the new sign for attaching announcements of events. Be sure to take a look when turning onto Cave Neck Road.

New Web Site

We are beginning to work on creating a new web site for the Milton Chamber. This project will take a little time but we hope to have it in place this year. The board of directors has agreed that an updated look is needed and some additional services provided for members through this successful marketing tool. We will be seeking support from member businesses as we proceed. Watch the newsletter for progress reports.

Member Advertising Opportunities

There are many ways that our members can promote their business to other members-

Advertise in the newsletter; either with a flyer insert or a small ad, take a window in downtown Milton, link your website to the Chamber's, host a Mixer. Call us for details so we can help you spread the word about services and opportunities or introduce new business! **302-684-1101**



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF MILTON, DELAWARE, INC.
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2011 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME OF BUSINESS: _____

CONTACT PERSON/TITLE: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

BUSINESS LOCATION: _____

TYPE OF BUSINESS: **Accommodations, Attraction, Service, Retail,**
 Restaurant / Eatery, or Real Estate (please circle one)

DESCRIPTION: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

FAX: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

WEB ADDRESS: _____

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR BUSINESS MEMBERS ARE \$150.00

\$50.00 FOR INDIVIDUAL PATRON MEMBERSHIP OR SMALL NON-PROFIT

NON-PROFITS WITH MORE ONE THAN FULL-TIME STAFF MEMBER MUST JOIN AS A REGULAR MEMBER

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO THE MILTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

AUTHORIZATION TO LINK MEMBER

Please sign below if you wish to grant the chamber of commerce of Milton, DE the authorization to list your business on the Chamber web site-www.historicismilton.com and provide a free link from the Chamber's web site to your web site. You can also indicate if you wish to restrict the Chamber from publishing your information. The web address listed on this form will be used.

YES I DO *NO I DO NOT* **GIVE THE MILTON CHAMBER PERMISSION**
TO LIST MY BUSINESS ON ITS WEB SITE AND LINK TO MY WEBSITE.

SIGNATURE: _____

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Did you know that you can mulch or compost your yard waste, take it yourself to the transfer stations or have a provider pick it up for you for a fee.

We will be providing that service in the near future.

Did you know that we cater to the small business owners?

Did you know that we have never and will never charge a fuel surcharge?

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We are your best value in waste and recycling services.

Milton Chamber of Commerce
PO BOX 61
Milton, DE 19968



March Events

March 10-Board meets
Security Instruments 5 PM

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March 13-St Patrick's Day Parade
Sunday at 2 PM

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March 15 -Chamber Breakfast

Milton Public Library-8 AM
Economic Development Update
Sussex County and the Town of Milton
Breakfast \$8.00 at the door

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Save the Dates

April 14 -Board meets
Luther Gardens-noon

April Mixer-April 21, 5 to 7
George Sherman Corp.

Milton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors

President-Mike Clark, Security Instruments

Vice Pres-Vicki Sammons-Victoria's Salon
Great Duck Race Chairman

Secretary-Marie Mayor-Lavender Fields
Southern DE Tourism Liaison

Treasurer -Amy Spahr, Park Royal Apartments

Pat Batchelor-East Coast Property Management

Millie Webb-Wilmington Trust Bank

John Potocki-Salon Milton,

Welcome Project Chairman

Orville Mills, George Sherman Corp.,
Membership Chairman

Dave Dutton, Abodes, LLC

Elena Cooke, Holly Festival Vendor Chairman

Georgia Dalzell-Executive Director

