



**2009 Saline County  
Chamber of Commerce  
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*Dear Chamber Members,*

*On behalf of the Board of Directors of the Saline County Chamber of Commerce I want to welcome in the New Year and wish all of you the best in 2009. I would like also to take this opportunity to announce some changes to our Board this year. Ayn Bartok joins the Board for a three year term representing Eldorado and Vicki Cummiskey was re-elected to represent Harrisburg, also for three years. Trina Irwin has moved to Vice President and Bethany Shaw was elected by the Board to serve as Secretary for 2009. Kim Glasscock, our 2008 President, has passed the baton to me and she will remain a Director and Officer of the Board as Past President. Please join me in thanking Kim for her service as President last year and in welcoming our new Directors and Officers.*



*One of our first tasks as a Board is to assign Directors to serve as Committee Chairs for our many fund raisers and events. Each Chairperson will then be looking to our membership at large for volunteers to help with their respective committees to plan and host their events. And as part of your Chamber Business Membership, your employees are members as well, so you or any of your selected staff, can help with any efforts you or they might be interested in. In these difficult economic times it is even more important for us all to work together to make events like these successful.*

*Lastly, I want to invite all of you, as well as any non-members interested in joining the Chamber, to our kickoff event of 2009, our Annual Chamber Banquet. This year we will feature music by The Penguins, a silent auction, awards ceremony, and raffles for one year membership dues in both existing and new membership categories. Please join us on Thursday, February, 26th beginning at 5:30, for an evening of fun and networking.*

*I look forward to seeing you at our banquet and hopefully many other events throughout this year. Again, I wish you the best in 2009. Thank you.*

*Sincerely,  
Herb Klickner  
2009 Chamber President*

# What's Happening with You?

Do you have an announcement such as new location, new employees, or new products or services? Or how about an upcoming event or workshop? Let your fellow chambers know! We would love to hear from you here at the chamber office. E-mail, fax, or mail us the information and we will publish it in our bi-monthly newsletter. **The deadline for submitting information for the next newsletter is March 13th.**

*We will need the following information:*

Description of Your News:

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Business Name:

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Business Address:

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Contact:

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Phone Number:

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## Upcoming Events

### February

- 12th Directors meeting noon @ the Chamber office.
- 16th The Chamber office will be closed in observance of Presidents' Day.
- 26th Annual Banquet 5:30 @ the SIC Foundation Bldg. Please see next page for more information.

*\*\*There will be no luncheon this month due to the Annual Banquet.\*\**

### March

- 5th Directors meeting noon @ the Chamber office.
- 8th Bowling Tournament 1:00 p.m. @ Ross Cottom Lanes. Please see page 4 for more information.
- 11-15th The Chamber office will be closed for Spring Break. We will reopen on Monday, March 16th at 8:00 a.m.
- 26th Quarterly luncheon @ noon. Location TBA at a later time.

### April

- 9th Directors Meeting noon @ the Chamber office.
- 10th The Chamber office will be closed in observance of Good Friday. We will reopen on Monday, April 13th at 8:00 a.m. Have a wonder Easter.
- 23rd Chamber luncheon @ noon. Location TBA at a later time.



## Why should YOU come to the 2009 Annual Chamber Banquet?

### 1. It beats TV dinners & soda!

Dinner will be catered by BBQ Barn with beer and wine provided by Old National Bank. A cash bar will also be available at the event.

### 2. It beats the same old reruns on TV!

Music will be provided by "The Penguins".

### 3. You could win an awesome auction for fabulous prizes!

There will be a silent auction held with great prizes from chamber members. Old National Bank will also sponsor a raffle for a free membership renewal for a 2008 member and a free membership for a new member to join! If you would like to donate an item for our auction or if you would like to offer something for a raffle, please contact the chamber office.

### 4. It provides networking for chamber members!

This event is to honor your business and allow chamber members to socialize with each other. Table sponsorships are available for your business to decorate with items that will promote your business! If you would like to sponsor a table, please contact the chamber office.

### 5. Your business could win Business of the Year!

All 2008 chamber members are eligible for nomination by their fellow chamber members in one of three categories for Business of the Year. These nominees are then put before a committee who will select the winner for each category.

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*The Saline County Chamber of Commerce cordially invites you to attend our*

*2009 Annual Banquet*

*on*

*Thursday, February 26, 2009*

*at*

*The Southeastern Illinois College Foundation Center*

*Harrisburg, IL 62946*

Social Reception to begin at 5:30 with Dinner and Awards to start at 6:00. After Hours Kick Off to immediately start after the dinner and awards at 7:00.

**Cost:**

\$25 per person in advance

\$30 per person at the door

\$150 for a table of six

Please RSVP with your check by **February 12, 2009** to:

The Saline County Chamber of Commerce

2 E. Locust St., Suite 200

Harrisburg, IL 62946

**Seating is limited!**

*If you would like more information, please contact the chamber at 252-4192.*

## The 2008 Chamber Lights Contest

### Winners

#### Carrier Mills

1st Place

*Louis Shaw*

2nd Place

*Andy Valdez*

3rd Place

*Shelia Threet*

#### Galatia

1st Place

*Donnie Horton*

2nd Place

*Brad Dorris*

3rd Place

*Jan & Allen Foster*

#### Eldorado

1st Place

*Jeff & Chris McCabe*

2nd Place

*Brady & Sandy Payne*

3rd Place

*David Coker*

#### Harrisburg

1st Place

*Randall Engleby*

2nd Place

*David & Beth Williams*

3rd Place

*Wayman Winters*

Saline County  
Best Overall Winner

*Louis Shaw*

Carrier Mills



## 2009 Membership Drive

It's that time of the year again for our annual membership drive. Please renew your chamber membership soon by coming to our office or simply returning the form we sent you in December along with a check or money order to:

Saline County Chamber of Commerce  
2 E. Locust St, Suite 200  
Harrisburg, IL 62946

If you did not receive the membership renewal form, please contact the chamber office and we will send you a new one. If you have any questions or comments, please call the chamber office at 252-4192 or you can e-mail Lori or Kendra at the addresses on the front of the newsletter.

***We thank you for your continued support of the Saline County Chamber of Commerce!***

***Whether you're a Lucky Striker or a Gutter Ball Champ, you'll have a blast at the...***

# Annual Chamber Bowling Tournament

**Sunday, March 8th**

**1:00 p.m.**

**Ross Cottom Lanes**

**The tournament will consist of teams of four players playing three games. The best combined team scores of the three game will be the winners!**

**The prizes to be awarded are: 1st Place-\$150; 2nd Place-\$100; 3rd Place-\$75.**

**Entry Fee: \$100.00**

**The chamber will also be hosting an Afterhours Social immediately after the tournament consisting of food and beverages.**

***(We will send you registration forms for the tournament at a later time.)***

# Chamber Ribbon Cuttings



## A&E Computer Services

*New Chamber Member*



## VZ Fitness

*New Chamber Member*



## Maurices

*New Chamber Member*



## All-American Real Estate Co.

*New Ownership*



## CURLEQ Salon

*Grand Opening*

# Chamber Happenings



## Chamber Helps at Local Holiday Festival

The Saline County Chamber of Commerce served hot chocolate provided by McDonalds of Harrisburg at the Annual Harrisburg Mayor's Community Caroling and Tree Lighting.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## Chamber Hosts Political Forum

The Chamber and the SIC Student Government hosted a Political Forum at the SIC Campus in November. Each candidate running on the Saline County ballot present was allowed to speak to the audience for five minutes.



## Chamber Welcomes New Directors

The Chamber is pleased to welcome two new directors to the Chamber Board. Vicki Cummiskey was re-elected for her second term to represent Harrisburg. Ayn Bartok was elected for her first term to serve Eldorado.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## 2009 Chamber Officers

The Chamber is pleased to announce the 2009 Officers. They are (L-R) Herb Klickner, President; Trina Irwin, Vice-President; Bethany Shaw, Secretary; and Jack Hendrix, Treasurer.

*Photo By James D. Bond*

# Chamber Member Happenings



## New Equipment Offered at Curves

Trina Irwin of Curves is proud to announce they have a new glute machine. Come and give Curves a try today! For a free figure assessment, contact Trina at 252-2424.

*Photo was furnished*



## The Medicine Shoppe Offers Medical Equipment

The Medicine Shoppe is proud to now offer a variety of home medical equipment such as wheelchairs, hospital beds, and lift chairs. Stop by and see their entire line of medical equipment today!

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## Joyner Therapy is Expanding

Joyner Therapy is expanding their business development staff by welcoming Donna Cunetto.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## Old National Bank Gives to United Way

Old National Bank donated \$2,500 to the Saline County United Way's Community Impact Fund. United Way helps fund 14 agencies in Saline County.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## Locust Street Clinic Open House

Ferrell Hospital held an open house for its Locust Street Clinic in Eldorado. The open house was held for the public to meet Linda Redick, PA-C and her staff who will run the clinic.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## Customer Appreciation Days at Kroger

Harrisburg Kroger held "Customer Appreciation Days" on Oct. 29th through Nov. 1st. There were specials throughout the store plus special activities for customers.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## Personal Finance Holds Open House

Personal Finance Company of Harrisburg held a Customer Appreciation Day and Open House on November 20th & 21st. Refreshments and gift cards were given away at the event.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## WISBDC Holds Winter Open House

The Workforce & Illinois Small Business Development Center held its annual Winter Open House on December 4th. Refreshments were provided for all who stopped by.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



## SIC Foundation Bldg. Businesses Holds Open House

The SIC Foundation Bldg. held an Open House on Nov. 19th for its businesses which include chamber members Curves, Southern IL Real Estate, Logan Insurance Company, and Hendrix Accounting.

*Photo by James D. Bond*

# Chamber Member Happenings



### New Manager at Little Caesars

Robert Williams is the new manager of the Little Caesars in Harrisburg. Stop by Little Caesars today and welcome Robert. While you are there get yourself a 5.99 large pizza to go!

*Photo by James D. Bond*



### Katrina Wilson Awarded Seed Money

With funding through SEMO University & the Delta Regional Authority, Ms. Wilson was awarded seed money for her salon. Learn more about this during the First Step FastTrac class offered by WISBDC. The class is TBA.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



### Bill Bonan II Named to SIU Board of Trustees

Bill Bonan II, the Southern Illinois Community Bank President for the Southern Region of Peoples National Bank, N.A., has been appointed to serve on the SIU Board of Trustees.

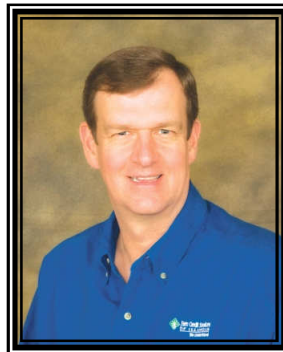
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### Peoples National Bank Supports MDA

Peoples National Bank was the major sponsor of the MDA Galatia Stride & Ride held Oct. 11th at the Galatia Town Park.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



### New Team Member at Farm Credit Services of IL

Earl Neff is the vice president for the Farm Credit Services of Illinois Harrisburg office. Farm Credit Services is a farmer owned and directed agriculture lending cooperative with competitive financial services for farmers.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



### Industrial Park Board has New Members

Ayn Bartok and Sam Beggs are the newest members to join the Saline County Industrial Development Board.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



### HMC Announces Auxilian of the Year

Rita Crick was chosen as Auxilian of the Year at Harrisburg Medical Center's Annual Christmas Party. Shown in the picture with Rita is Debbie Albin, Director of the Auxilian at HMC.

*Photo was furnished*



### Kemper CPA Group Adds to Staff

Kemper CPA Group is proud to welcome Christy Payne as a staff accountant. Shown welcoming Christy is Matt Businaro, Partner of Kemper CPA Group.

*Photo by James D. Bond*



### HMC Announces Employee of the Year

Jeff Smith was voted Employee of the Year for 2008. What makes this award so special is that the winner is nominated by their peers and then elected with the vote of the entire hospital staff.

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***For More pictures, schedule of events, and more information about the area, please visit our website.***

***[www.salinecountychamber.org](http://www.salinecountychamber.org)***