Byron Center Chamber of Commerce

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If you have not yet renewed your member dues for 2010 please do so ASAP. Although this type of organization dues is sometimes considered "extra", it can be vital in times of economic recovery in order to keep informed and tuned into your "business/ organization niche" in the community. PLEASE RENEW TODAY!

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WELCOME NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS

William Hendry *Bill has been an attorney in private practice in Byron Center since 1986. Appointed to the first Downtown Development Authority, Bill is currently the Vice-Chairman. He was also a founding member and first president of the Byron Business Alliance (now the chamber). Bill was also past-president and longtime member of the Byron Center Lions Club (Past Chairman) and long time committee participant in the Byron Days Festival. Bill has volunteered at the Kentwood Senior Center since 1987 and more recently by request at the Georgetown Senior Center.*

Verlyn Sterk *Verlyn has been the office manager at Sterk Cleaning Center since the business began in 1980. Currently, she is a member of the Byron Center DDA and the Chamber Scholarship Committee. Verlyn attended Calvin College where she met her husband, Frank, who was raised in Byron Center. The Sterks have 3 married daughters and currently 3 grandchildren. Two daughters live in Colorado Springs and one resides in Byron Center.*

Joanne Victory *Joanne Victory has been with Judd's Body Shop, Inc. since 1977. She is an estimator and manages the office. Having just completed a term on the board for the West Michigan Body Shop Association she is willing to become involved locally for our chamber. Joanne resides in Jamestown and is a member of 1st Hudsonville Christian Reformed Church where she is on the Vision Team.*

Welcome Bill, Verlyn and Joanne!

FEBRUARY MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Joint with the Cutlerville-Gaines Chamber of Commerce

Featured Presentations by Audrey Nevins Weiss/Byron Township & Don Hilton/Gaines Township

Wednesday, February 24, 2010 * NOON

Sponsored by Prein & Newhof & LSL Planning, Inc.

Catered by Crankers

*Location: Postma Center @ Pine Rest * 300—68th St. SE (turn south off of 68th St. into the Pine Rest campus and follow signs past pond on left to Postma Center)*

Please RSVP by calling 616-878-0108 or info@byroncenterchamber.org no later than Friday, February 12, 2010. THANKS!

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NEWS TO NOTE!

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Dave Terborg/Dykstra Auto
Tarri Oeverman/Oeverman Construction
Gregg Neuenfeldt/Dainty Hunchback LLC
Phillip Garvin/Garvin Family Dental Care
Ken Elzinga/Hilltop Auto Service

BYRON COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVES

2/8 Corinth Reformed Church
129– 100th St. SE
877-4652 2:00 - 7:00

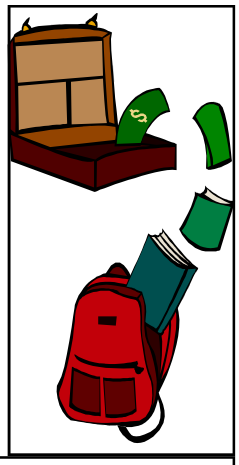
3/8 Heritage CRC
3089– 84th St. SW
878-1992 2:00 - 7:00

2010 "CIRCLE OF HONOR"

March 1, 2010 is the deadline for submitting names for the next "Circle of Honor" awards. This award honors one person each from the public sector and private sector that have made outstanding contributions to the community of Byron Center. Please contact Ken Koster at 281-4156 for further information or a nomination form or visit www.byron centerchamber.org.

METRO SOUTH (MULTI-CHAMBER) SPEED NETWORKING

Speed Networking will take place on Friday, February 12, 2010 from 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. at Crosswords Banquet Center, 6569 Clay Ave. Grand Rapids (just off 131 & 68th St. to the east, next to Holiday Inn Express). Informal Networking will be from 7:30 - 8:00 a.m. and Speed Networking from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m., but you must be present at 8:00 a.m. in order to participate. This is a Metro South (multi-chamber event), hosted by the Byron Center and Cutlerville-Gaines Chambers. ***IT IS FREE TO MEMBERS*** *and only open to members. Participants engage in approximately 20 – three minute face-to-face conversations with individuals in a "musical-chair" type rotation. Please bring plenty of business cards and be prepared to give a 1 and ½ minute "commercial" on your particular service and/or product.* ***PLEASE RSVP*** *to info@byroncenterchamber.org or call 616.878.0108 or the Cutlerville-Gaines Chamber of Commerce at info@cutlerville-gaineschamber.org or call 616.890.1378. See you there!*



BCCC Scholarships available -www.byroncenterchamber.org
Deadline for returning applications-2-25-2010