

GREATER AREA NEWTON Chamber of Commerce

2009-10 Chamber Board of Directors

Chair	Liz Dodd	2011
Vice Chair	Bonnie Terpstra	2012
Treasurer	Gerard Schwickerath	2011
Secretary	Terri Rock	2011
Past Chair	Amy Davis	2010

Board Members

Chantelle Beiner	2012	Michael Hook	2010
Rob Kahn	2012	Brian Smith	2012
Leland Smith	2012		

Ex-Officio

Marvin Morris	City Council	2010
Jeff Maki	Ambassador Chair	2009

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We Saved A Place For YOU!

Information

What is the Greater Newton Area Chamber of Commerce?

A Chamber of Commerce, like all businesses, exists because it has a product to sell. A Chamber of Commerce has an intangible product. The product is the organization itself. It is a vehicle for mobilizing the people of a community to accomplish agreed upon goals for the betterment of that community.

We are growing the community!

Mission:

***Working for the Success of the Newton Area:
Community Focused, Business Oriented.***

How many member businesses make up the Chamber of Commerce?

The Chamber is made up of more than 207 businesses from around the Greater Newton Area. There are 343 business leaders representing these businesses.

How can the Chamber help me?

Chamber members receive great value through the member benefits listed on page 2. Please call with any questions about those benefits.

How can I get the most out of my Chamber membership?

On page 5 of the application for Chamber membership is a committee sign up sheet. Your Chamber membership is as good as you make it. The more you become involved in the community and build your business network, the more you and your business benefit.

Doing the Things People Think Just Get Done!

Benefits

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Membership Directory – Each member is entitled to a free listing in the Chamber membership directory which is distributed to all Chamber member businesses and in relocation packets.

Bulk Mail – Bulk Permit available to members. Mailing must be a minimum of 200 identical pieces with a savings of up to \$0.16 per piece.

Internet Link – A FREE website link to www.experiencenewton.com is available to all chamber members. There were over 1 million hits to the website in 2008.

Notary Public – Available at no charge to members.

Tax Deduction – Membership is tax deductible as a business expense.

Business After Hours – This popular membership mixer gives members the opportunity to meet, exchange business cards, and talk business in a relaxed social atmosphere.

Ribbon Cuttings and Open Houses – Members receive assistance in planning a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house.

Membership Listing & Mailing Labels – Available to members, at no cost, providing a valuable tool for direct mail promotions. (for non solicitation purposes)

Committee Participation – In various Chamber and community programs which provides exposure and a sense of community involvement.

Meeting Room – Free use of the meeting room in the Chamber office.

Networking Opportunities – Many of our community's top business owners participate in Chamber events.

Referrals — Hundreds of referrals are made each year to Chamber businesses.

Committees

*Please contact the office if there is a committee
you are interested in serving on:*

Ambassador – To provide leadership and personnel to initiate and support special projects as they may be designated by the Chamber Board, which is a benefit to the Chamber and support of its goals and objectives. The Ambassadors meet on the third Thursday of each month, at noon. They are responsible for planning the Ribbon Cuttings, Business After Hours, July 4th float and children's parade judging, Chamber Ambassador Golf Fun Outing and Christmas Social.

Chamber Coffee Forum - A coffee forum will be held from 8:00-9:15 a.m. on Fridays of selected months. A topic of discussion will be picked by the committee and advertised to the membership.

Chamber Coffee - Chamber Coffee's are an alternative to the Business After Hours. They are held on selected Friday

Fourth of July – Newton's largest community celebration and the Chamber's largest volunteer opportunity. Committee members are needed to stage the parade entries as well as assist with the downtown vendors, publicity and clean up in the afternoon.

Education—This committee will help plan the luncheon held annually to celebrate the new educators in the Newton school system.

Young Professionals of Jasper County - This group meets for a social on the first Thursday evening of the month unless otherwise stated. They also host events and those dates will revolve around the location. These may be adult or family oriented.

Lighted Christmas Parade – The parade will be held on the Friday after Thanksgiving. The event revolves around the Annual Courthouse Lighting. The parade will be held prior to the lighting ceremony. The committee is responsible for recruiting entries, finding interested sponsors and staging the event.

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Newton Chamber of Commerce Membership Application

113 1st Ave. W. Newton, IA 50208

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Date _____

Name of Business/Organization/Individual: _____

*Membership Category: _____ Number of Employees: Full Time _____ Part Time _____

Physical Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____ Website: _____

Public E-Mail Address: _____ Owner/CEO Name: _____

Contact Name: _____ Title/Position: _____

Contact's Phone: _____ Ext: _____ Contact's E-Mail: _____

Circle the information you authorize to be made public in the Chamber Directory (D) or on the Chamber Website (W):
 Physical Address D W ; Mailing Address D W ; Website D W ; Public E-Mail D W ;
 Phone D W ; Fax D W ; Contact Name D W ; Contact Phone D W ; Contact E-Mail D W

Chamber Activities and Issues of Interest (Check all that you would like to participate in):
 Ambassador _____; Chamber Coffee/Forum _____; Education _____; Fourth of July _____;
 Lighted Christmas Parade _____; Lunch & Learn _____; Retail Committee _____; Young Professionals _____

Investment Schedule:
 Employees = Number of full time employees. Three part time employees equal one full time employee.
 *Membership Categories are in bold and listed below.

	<u># of Employees</u>	<u>Dues</u>		<u># of Employees</u>	<u>Dues</u>
Basic:	1-2	\$182	Industrial:	1-15	\$269
Retail	3-5	\$345		16-30	\$393
Service	6-10	\$427		31-45	\$544
Agricultural	11-15	\$503		46-75	\$701
Auto Dealers	16-20	\$585		76-125	\$1,005
Auto Service	21-25	\$661		126-175	\$1,164
Media	26-30	\$737		176-225	\$1,246
Restaurants	31-35	\$813		226-275	\$1,321
Entertainment	36-40	\$889		Over 275	\$4.80 Per Emp.
Grocery	41-45	\$965			
	46-50	\$1,046			
	51-75	\$1,140	Hotel/Motel	<u># of Rooms</u>	<u>Dues</u>
	76-100	\$1,520		1-19	\$233
	101-150	\$1,980		20-30	\$317
	Over 150	\$6.71 Per Emp.		31-40	\$397
				41-50	\$468
				51-60	\$544
Professional:	<u># of Employees</u>	<u>Dues</u>		61-70	\$620
Attorneys	1-2	\$182		71-80	\$701
Brokers	3-4	\$345		81-90	\$783
Real Estate	5-7	\$503		91-100	\$853
Insurance	8-10	\$661		Over 100	\$941
Veterinarians	11-15	\$853			
Morticians	16-20	\$965	Associate		\$250
CPA's	21-30	\$1,040	Church		\$150
Doctors			Financial		\$37 per Mil dep
			Government		\$775
			Hospitals/Care Facilities		\$182+\$3.03 bed
			Individual		\$90
			Non-Profit		\$170
			Utilities		\$0.23 per subscrib

Membership Investments are not deductible as a charitable contribution for income tax purposes, but may be deductible as an ordinary and necessary business expense.

Authorized Signature: _____

Annual Dues: _____ Pro-rated amount: _____

Invoice: Annually _____; Semi-annually _____; Quarterly _____

For Office Use Only:

Website _____
 Database _____
 Chamber Bucks _____
 Accounting _____
 Contact List _____