



CAROL STREAM Chamber of Commerce

The **Carol Stream Chamber of Commerce** is a private, voluntary, not-for-profit organization of businesses and professional people dedicated to advancing the economic well-being within the greater Carol Stream area. Serving our members, we offer a variety of programs to keep our members at their competitive best. We are committed to helping you network and build your business.

Some of our benefits and programs for 2010 include:

Monthly Luncheons: Held the second Wednesday of every month, with occasional exceptions. Chamber members meet at 11:30am for networking followed by lunch, ending by 1:00pm. Monthly guest speakers present pertinent information to our members, keeping them apprised of current issues or occasionally strictly networking exercises. We feel it is the best hour and a half a month that you can spend – opposite of cold calls!

Business After Hours: Take full advantage of this Chamber networking event. Chamber members are able to meet other members in a more relaxed setting to exchange business information and contacts. 5:30-7:30pm held in one of our Members' businesses. It's a FREE event!

Women In Business: Held every other month at different venues, the Chamber's highly successful WIB events are filled with exceptional networking opportunities and provide the attendees an opportunity to hear insightful, relevant speakers focused on women's issues and needs.

The Chamber Connection: Quarterly Chamber newsletter that keeps its members informed of pressing business issues and concerns that affect their bottom line (March, June, September, December).

Monthly Electronic Newsletter updates to keep you current on the latest happenings of the Chamber, created in Constant Contact.

Social Media Marketing via Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn about events and opportunities. Do you 'tweet'?

Mini-Exhibitor Table: Chamber members have the opportunity to exhibit their business through a table display at a monthly luncheon FREE one time each year. Have a very VISUAL presence at a luncheon.

Website listing: Each of our members has their own listing on our Chamber website, complete with contacts addresses, web site link, email link, hours of operation and description. Enhanced listings and banner ads available.

Marketing Video on Website: Members have the opportunity to have a 90 second 'infomercial' at a reduced rate on the chamber website for one year. This video works 24/7 for you & is produced with professional sound, lighting and up to 5 still images, along with a 2-line listing – business name, website, phone number or you choice.

Job Postings: Members can post job openings free of charge, on the Chamber website.

Free 1-Year Subscription to The Business Ledger, included in your membership, The Business Newspaper for Suburban Chicago, the Ledger reports on successful businesses and the people who make them successful. (\$75 value)

Chamber Library: Need to learn more about business or marketing? Visit the Chamber Library at our luncheons.

SPECIAL EVENTS...

★ **5-Star Business Expo:** Working with four other local chambers (Bartlett, Addison, Bloomingdale, and Glendale Heights), this business expo appeals to all types of businesses. www.fivestarexpo.com A B-to-B event (February 2011)

★ **Annual Golf Scramble:** This Chamber tradition inspires both the scratch golfer and the duffer to greater heights. A fun, non-competitive event for all to enjoy. One of the most popular in all of DuPage County, they say! Opportunities for sponsorship available to 'get your name out' to over 150 golfers. (June 23,2010)

★ **Annual "What Women Want" Expo:** The Carol Stream Chamber Women in Business will again present a charming and 'pampering' Expo. It's all about Chocolate. It's all about Shopping and Pampering, Awareness and Inspiration at this PINK event. Put your business in front of other business professionals as well as community attendees. (9/22/10)

★ **Holiday Comedy Social:** As we draw close to the end of the year, this event provides a last opportunity for our Chamber members to network and wish each other holiday cheer in a lively, social atmosphere.

★ **Pitch Your Business:** An annual luncheon with baseball theme where members "pitch" 45 seconds about their business to all in attendance, making it *memorable*. (8/11/10)

OTHER benefits include: Access to business and community leaders, Multi-Chamber Networking Events, Sponsorship opportunities for various chamber events, Mobile text alerts, Business referrals, "Featured Business of the Month", membership in the US Chamber of Commerce and more.

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