



Mission Statement: The Chamber of Commerce is organized to promote economic growth in the Village of Stockton by supporting local businesses and special events, while encouraging hospitality, beautification and community pride.

Dear Stockton Area Business Owner:

The **Stockton Chamber of Commerce** is here to support you and your business. Membership brings many ways to market your business, in conjunction with your own marketing and advertising plans.

We encourage you to expand your business' visibility and support your community by becoming a member of the **Stockton Chamber of Commerce**. Your annual dues provide you invaluable advertising in our *Discover Stockton Brochure*, our widely distributed directory & our website (that includes a link to your own website). Your membership funds our website, weekly E-News, and supports community activities such as beautification, maintaining Chamber properties, welcoming new businesses and residents to Stockton and the surrounding area, and occasional special projects to enhance and support our business community.

There is a *special savings program* with Auto-Owners Insurance. As a member of the Chamber, you may receive discounts on your business and personal insurance. Bauer Insurance is the local agency that can provide you more information.

The Board of Directors is planning the following events for 2011:

- ♦ 21st Annual Business Showcase ~ bigger & better for optimum attendance ~ March 12, 2011
- ♦ Sidewalk Sales & Town-wide Garage Sales in August
- ♦ Christmas Walk ~ first weekend in December

In addition to these events, we invite you to join us at our Annual Membership Dinner to be held in February. Monthly board meetings are also open to member participation. Another great way to network within our business community is Business-After-Hours social gatherings, hosted throughout the year by volunteering member businesses.

We encourage you to expand your marketing through FREE membership in the Galena / Jo Daviess County Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB). We would be happy to provide you with an application.

Chamber membership runs the calendar year. Please return the enclosed Membership Application & Invoice. Payments received by January 1, 2011 are assured of being listed in our member directory and annual brochure. These publications are very effective advertising tools and are widely distributed in Jo Daviess County and beyond. Our goal is to be able to include every Stockton-based business in each. Because there is little time left in 2010, we offer you the opportunity to join now for 2011 and receive the remainder of 2010 FREE. You will receive all of the benefits of membership with the exception of being listed in our 2010 annual brochure & directories.

Our Chamber is possible because of volunteerism and it is strong because our members support our efforts, recognizing their value to the whole community. Your networking with our **150** Chamber members will benefit your business personally.

Thank you for your anticipated support. Please let us know if you need further information or would like to discuss the benefits of Chamber membership personally. We look forward to your application...and please plan to join us at our Annual Meeting in February.

Sincerely,

Stockton Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors

STOCKTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

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Services Offered

- Advertising
- Beautification Program
- Brochures
- “Business After Hours”/Social Gatherings
- Business Referrals
- Coupon Programs
- Directory of Members – distributed to over 4000 area residents
- Funding for Special Events
- Exposure on our Social Network Site www.Facebook.com/stocktonchamber
- Weekly E-News
- Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting Ceremonies

Chamber Benefits

- Network with members from the business community
- Increase business contacts that expand customer base
- Attend monthly Chamber meetings addressing area needs
- Forum to share your ideas
- Expand business visibility with our advertising programs and “Business After Hours” networking opportunities
- Promote your business in our annual Brochure and in our Member Directory
- Web site Listing & link to your own web site
- Training/Educational Business Forums
- Discounts on Chamber Programs & Services
- Welcome Basket Program
- Insurance Discount - Chamber members may be eligible for commercial and individual discounts through Auto Owners Insurance. Bauer Agency Insurance is the local contact.
- Membership Decal – Your business will gain credibility and show the public you support the community when you display the Chamber Membership Decal. You will receive the decal when you join.

Stockton Chamber of Commerce Membership Application

Business Name:

Contact:

Brochure Listing Category: *see reverse for listing*

Business Address:

Mailing Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone:

Fax:

E-Mail:

Please provide a current e-mail to receive weekly E-News & other important Chamber information

Website:

2011 Class Membership:

	M1 = \$50	M2=\$95	M3=\$145	NFP=\$35
Employees	(1-5)	(6-9)	10+	Not-For-Profit

Date	Description	Amount
1/02/11	2011 Chamber Membership dues - see above	
	"Discover Stockton" Brochure Listing	FREE
	Chamber Directory	FREE
	Website Listing	FREE
	Fireworks Donation	
	Miscellaneous Donation	
	Landmark Maintenance Donation	
	Total Paid	

Please check the box if you would like a Chamber cling to display on your business window. If you do not check the box you will not receive one.

Please return this form and payment to: Stockton Chamber of Commerce,
P.O. Box 3, Stockton, IL 61085

Remittance Date: _____ Check #: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

PLEASE see other side for important information!

Committee Sign-Up

Please circle committee(s) you are signing up for.
Volunteerism is appreciated but not required.

Name & Phone: _____

<p>Media Brochure</p>	<p>2011 JDE Business Showcase Saturday, March 12 Committee meets Oct—April</p>	<p>2011 Members Outing Committee meets May-July</p>
<p>Media Directory</p>	<p>2011 Christmas Walk Meets Oct-Dec</p>	<p>Calling Volunteer (meeting reminders, etc)</p>
<p>Special Promotions As needed</p>	<p>Member Advocacy Committee (Business Forum/Education)</p>	<p>Welcome Baskets As needed</p>
<p>Membership Meets Oct-Feb</p>		<p>Beautification of Stockton Streets (B.O.S.S.) Late spring and throughout summer</p>

Brochure Categories

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adult Services Agriculture Attractions Automotive & Service Business Services Churches Construction Dining Financial & Investing Health, Beauty & Entertainment Home-Based Businesses | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Industry/Trades/Services Insurance & Legal Lodging Media Medical & Dental Municipal & Education Newspapers/Publications Organizations Shopping/Retail Photography/Video Real Estate |
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20 word description of your business (for the website): _____
