

CHAMBER CLIPS

"Working Together Works"

The Mission Statement: The Wendell Chamber of Commerce, a non-profit 501 (c) (3) corporation, aims to advance commercial, industrial, and civic development; to encourage the economic and social progress of the Wendell area for the benefit of all citizens, and to facilitate the production and distribution of goods and services.



From the Desk of Bruce Lynch

With the summer heat wave upon us and everyone going to the beach or on vacation somewhere, one might think the Chamber is on vacation as well, but the Wendell Chamber of Commerce is always a very busy working to help its member businesses to be successful and improve the community.

The Farmers market is going strong in spite of the heat. There are all kinds of good, natural things to buy at the Farmers Market. There are homemade sausage biscuits (one of my favorites), honey, cucumbers, fresh squash, mellows, peaches, string beans as well as other crops that are coming in. Oh and I forgot to mention that I had homemade BBQ and fudge this year that were quite tasty! Everyone should come out and see what is available at the Farmers Market. You will probably run into your neighbor when you do.

Another community project that keeps the Chamber busy this time of year is the ongoing preparations for the Annual Harvest Festival. The Harvest Festival will be

held on October 1st and 2nd this year. This event really requires year round preparations, but by this time of year, we are really gearing up to make sure everything is in place to have a great event. Of course, we can use all the volunteers we can get so please call the Chamber to sign up to help at the Harvest Festival. It is loads of fun! The Parade is going to be bigger and better than last year with antique cars, motorcycles and bands and community groups participating. There is more than I can write about but we are having a special Harvest Festival Newsletter Edition this year in late August.

We have had a least one Business Afterhours every month this year. Sponsoring a Business Afterhours is a great way to showcase your business. Please note that on Thursday, August 19th from 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm, the Chamber is sponsoring a Business Afterhours at the Chamber's offices. The Chamber is doing this for its membership and wants all new and existing members to come by the Chamber offices to network and have

a good time. There will be finger foods and good drinks provided for all. Also, for other events, do not forget to check out the Chamber website: www.wendellchamber.com. It is loaded with information about what is going on.

On another note, if you know a business that is not a member of the Chamber, please mention to them all the things the Chamber does for you. You may call Ula Mae Life, our Executive Director or Brigitte Gros, our Membership Coordinator, if you would like to have a

Chamber Officer speak to a potential member. I would like to encourage all members to speak to other folks they do business with and ask them to join the Chamber. The greater number of members we have, the more we can do to help our members and the more we can do to improve our community.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact me or any Board member if you have any questions or suggestions on how we can provide even more value to our members.

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